INDIANA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

2027 Policy Priorities

Indiana Corn Growers Association (ICGA) members engage the value chain, lead the conversation, and influence the outcome of corn policy.

Policies that *grow demand* for Indiana corn

Ethanol creates a reliable, localized market for feedstocks and ethanol production. ICGA leads in policy efforts for access to **year-round E15** and to pursue **next-generation fuels** like sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) and marine biofuel application.

Exports of corn and related products are critical to the economy, offering direct and indirect economic benefits to farmers. ICGA leads in policy efforts to maintain or increase **market access**, support **tariff relief**, and **foster trade relationships.**

ICGA also works to have a seat at the table during conversations around **food labeling** and **ingredient policies**.

Policies that *protect* how Indiana farmers grow corn

Conservation programs funded in the Farm Bill reward farmers for best management practices used in farming operations. ICGA leads in efforts to ensure conservation efforts remain **voluntary** and **seed treatments** vital to farm profitability are available for farmers to utilize in their crop plans.

Science-based decisions related to pesticide and herbicide registrations help farmers plan their season with confidence. ICGA leads in policy efforts that stand behind safe, well-studied **biotechnology** and **gene editing**.

Policies that *strengthen* the farm safety net

A strong **Grain Indemnity Fund** provides a safety net if a grain buyer or warehouse fails financially. ICGA leads efforts to strengthen **oversight** that stops problems before they reach a farmer's bin or bank account, so farmers can sell their crop with confidence.

It is important that **farm programs** reflect how Indiana farmers actually farm today. **Base-acres** are a multiplier in the safety-net commodity payment formula. New base acres are now available, and ICGA is leading policy efforts that make sure the **expanded coverage** holds up as farm programs are revisited.