



iFarm Oregon
A Project of Friends of Family Farmers
Land Connection Questionnaire:
Land Seeker/ Aspiring Farmer

By completing this questionnaire, you will be able to participate in our land connection service. A FOFF staff person will contact you after we have received your questionnaire. Please include all information that a landholder would want to know about you, especially your experience with farming and managing finances, and your vision for the property.

Send your completed form to us, either via email to ifarm@friendsoffamilyfarmers.org, or mail it to:
ATTN: Erinn * Friends of Family Farmers *** 249 Liberty NE, Ste. 212***Salem, OR 97301**

You must check your email at least weekly to participate in this program. If email is NOT a good way to reach you, please indicate that below on the form and we will make special arrangements.

We do not publish your contact information as part of your iFarm listing. In order for anyone to be connected with you directly, they must enroll in the iFarm program and fill out their own Land Holder Questionnaire. When a land holder wants to contact you, we will send you a connection email with the land holder's contact information, a link to their posting and any message. The same procedure applies when you contact a land holder. It is up to the person contacted to respond, or to let the other person know if they are not interested.

iFarm provides you with support, however, we cannot guarantee that you will find a match or that your match will be successful. We urge you to have the property inspected before signing any agreement, that you put the terms of any agreement in writing and have both parties sign them, and that you have a lawyer draft, or at least review, any documents pertaining to lease or sale.

Participants in iFarm are added to Friends of Family Farmers' monthly e-newsletter, The Barnyard. Watch our twitter account ([ifarmoregon](https://twitter.com/ifarmoregon)) or web page (www.twitter.com/ifarmoregon) to see the latest postings, as well as job and internship opportunities and classes.

Since this is a free service, we encourage participants in iFarm to become members of Friends of Family Farmers. Memberships are \$25/year for individuals, \$35 for households, \$50 for businesses, and we offer a sliding scale for students or anyone who needs it. To become a member, either call 503-581-7124 or email membership@friendsoffamilyfarmers.org.

General Information - This section is kept hidden from the general public.

Last Name(s) _____

First Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ County _____ State ____ Zip _____

Mailing Address (if different) _____

City _____ County _____ State ____ Zip _____

Telephone(s) _____

Email _____

Website _____

Do you check your email at least twice a week: Yes No

How do you prefer to be contacted by interested Land Holders? (Circle one):

Email Phone

Can we share your phone number with interested Land Holders? Yes No

Land Details

In which part of the state are you interested in farming? (include County if possible)

Acres Desired _____ Date Available _____

What features of the property are desired - please specify what is necessary vs. what is desired (e.g. soil type, water rights, buildings, previous use of the land, available pasture or woodland, infrastructure, etc.)?

Experience

Please tell us about your skills, experience and/or education related to agriculture.

Note: this is very important to many of the land holders, please go into detail about your training and level of experience.

Are you currently farming?

YES NO

If you are farming, please describe what you grow, and how you market your crops.

Vision

What are your plans/goals for a farm business and use of the land?

Short-term (0-5 years):

Long-term (5-10 years):

What would you like to raise on the land? (mark all that apply)

grain

beans

hay

pasture

alfalfa

dairy

nuts

orchards/fruit

vineyard

berries

vegetables

herbs

flowers

poultry

goats

sheep

cattle

hogs

horses

rabbits

fiber animals

horses

bees

nursery stock

mushrooms

any or all of the above

Are you looking for land that has been certified Organic? YES NO

Are you willing to become certified organic if that is a qualification to lease the land?

YES NO

Are you interested in using only sustainable farming practices? YES NO

If yes, what sustainable practices do you intend to use on the property?

Are you interested in being mentored by a retiring farmer for the first year or two?

YES NO

Transaction Information - Complete all questions that apply:

*You can put “?” if you don’t know, and/or “neg” if you are willing to negotiate a price.
Feel free to put in a range of what you’d like to get.*

- I want to buy land, and the range I’m looking to spend is (total, **or** if per acre, include how many acres): \$_____
- I am interested in leasing the land, and (*please fill in only one*):
 - 1.1. The *total* acreage cost per month I want to pay is \$_____ (total for all acreage), or
 - 1.2. The cost per month I want to pay *per acre* is \$_____ (total for each acre), or
 - 1.3. The *total* acreage cost per year I want to pay is \$_____ (total for all acreage), or
 - 1.4. The cost per year *per acre* is \$_____ (total for each acre)

- I want a lease-to-own situation. Please describe:

- I am looking for a business partnership or investment opportunity with farmers/land owners. Please describe:

- I am primarily interested in a creative solution to get on the land without having much money to spend. Please describe:

- Other - Please describe:

Is financial assistance needed in purchasing an operation and/or land? Yes No

Please indicate which of the following resources you can contribute to a match.

Labor Management Machinery Livestock
 Capital Family/Spouse assistance Off-Farm income
 Other: _____

Please list any machinery or equipment that you currently own:

Please describe your housing needs:

What date do you desire to be on the land?

Comments (optional)

Is there anything else about you, your situation, or your operation that you would like a potential match to know about? Please feel free to share any additional information. (Please attach these comments on a separate piece of paper).

How did you learn about Friends of Family Farmers and this land connection service? _____

- I certify that the above statements are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith for the purpose of participating in this land connection service.
- I give Friends of Family Farmers permission to release my name, address, phone number, and other information provided in this questionnaire to interested farmers who are also participating in this program.
- I understand that Friends of Family Farmers cannot guarantee that a successful match will be made, and I do not hold Friends of Family Farmers responsible for the outcome of the land match made.
- I also understand that Friends of Family Farmers, as an organization promoting socially responsible agriculture, supports only those farming and ranching activities that comply with state and federal laws. In keeping with this policy, I agree that I will not engage in any illegal activities on land found through an iFarm Oregon land match.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(For electronically submitted forms, a typed signature is sufficient.)

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To contact a landholder who has a listing in iFarm, copy and paste the URL for that listing and email it to ifarm@friendsoffamilyfarmers.org. The final numbers on this URL is the listing number for that property.

iFarm staff will then send an email to that landholder including: your contact information, a link to your listing, and any message you choose to include in your email to iFarm. It is then up to that landholder to contact you. If you do not hear from that landholder within the week, email ifarm@friendsoffamilyfarmers.org again and we will give the landholder a phone follow up. iFarm Landholders will use the same process to contact you.