

# Iowa Farm Environmental Leader Award Nomination

**Nomination must be received no later than June 15th for consideration for the current year.**

*Information submitted on this form is considered public information.*

**Please print or type ALL fields to the maximum extent possible. Complete and accurate contact information is essential for communicating with nominators and award recipients. Thank You!**

## NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Name and/or Group Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## NOMINEE INFORMATION

### POINT OF CONTACT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### FARM OWNER/OPERATOR

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Award recipients will receive a certificate and program at the Iowa State Fair in August. Please list **exactly** how their names(s) should be printed on the certificate and program. (Farm name/Family member names)  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Provide phonetic pronunciation of name(s): \_\_\_\_\_
3. Describe nominee leadership activities, especially conservation and environmental activities. Additional activities may include helping neighbors, hosting field days, community involvement, and providing leadership with local/state/national boards, committees, and organizations.

## FARM INFORMATION

1. List county(ies) location of farm:  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the total size of the farming operation? List number of acres operated and quantity of agricultural products (crops, livestock, and commodities like milk, eggs, honey, etc.). (Note: A farm is any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the year. Government payments are included in sales – USDA.)
3. List the number of years the farm has been in operation: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Check the appropriate box if the farm received Century or Heritage Farm recognition.      \_\_\_ Century    \_\_\_ Heritage

5. **Non-Cost Share:** Describe privately implemented best management practices the nominee uses in the farm operation that provide water quality and soil sustainability benefits. See reference list on website for practice examples. Include all aspects of the farm operation (e.g. crop rotation, tillage management, soil fertility management, livestock manure management, and energy conservation efforts). Information on scale of practice implementation is encouraged (e.g. acres of cover crops, total feet of terraces).
6. **Cost Share:** Describe best management practices the nominee has implemented on the farm operation in the previous 15 to 20 years that provide water quality and soil sustainability benefits. See reference list on website for practice examples. Include all aspects of the farm operation (e.g. crop rotation, tillage management, soil fertility management, livestock manure management and energy conservation efforts). Information on scale of practice implementation is encouraged (e.g. total feet of terraces).
7. What were their reasons for incorporating these practices?

**Please submit nominations no later than June 15th using one of the following options:**

**E-mail (Preferred):** [award@iowaagriculture.gov](mailto:award@iowaagriculture.gov)

**Fax:** 515-281-6170

**Mail:** Jerry Neppel, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship,  
Division of Soil Conservation and Water Quality, 502 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50319

**Note:** Environmental databases will be checked for compliance concerns.