

# N Rate Risk Protection Program



With input costs rising and cutting into your farm's profits, it's time to look at reducing reliance on purchased inputs. With support from staff and risk protection, PFI can help you reduce nitrogen applications on your farm - saving you money and increasing your farm's resiliency.

## CORN

Farmers who make modest cuts in total nitrogen application rates on corn fields that'll be harvested in 2026 will be eligible. If yield is affected, some of the losses will be covered by a per acre payment.

**\$30 per acre payment if your harvest benchmark yield (95% of your 10-year average APH) is not achieved and \$5 per acre payment on all acres enrolled with reduced N.**

## REQUIREMENTS

- Raise corn in 2026
- Be willing to reduce nitrogen application by at least 20 lbs N/acre\*
- Farm in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, southeastern South Dakota or Wisconsin#
- Acres must not be certified as organic
- Acres cannot overlap with any privately funded cost-share programs, such as a carbon market (ex. Indigo, SWOF, TruCarbon, etc.)
- Acres must be already insured with Multi-Peril Crop Insurance Revenue or Yield Protection policy

\*Farmers applying lower nitrogen rates already may still be eligible with their already reduced nitrogen rate or a smaller reduction in nitrogen. PFI agronomists have some discretion with lower initial rates and can talk through reduced nitrogen rates with you during your initial consultation.

#Wisconsin farmers must sell in corn into specific locations to be eligible. Main Wisconsin locations are Alcivia Feed and Grain (Menomonie, WI) and Furst-McNess Co. (Lodi, WI). If you farm in Wisconsin, please call the office or email [covercrops@practicalfarmers.org](mailto:covercrops@practicalfarmers.org) to see if you are eligible.

## Program Milestones

- Enroll through the PFI website
- Meet with a PFI agronomist to discuss your nitrogen plan
- Apply less total nitrogen
- Attend a soil health learning event with PFI or another organization
- Submit FSA documentation (producer subsidiary print, 578s, and tract maps of the reduced N fields)
- Confirm applied N rate with PFI staff and file yield loss claim (if applicable)
- Receive payment
- Program complete!

**ENROLL TODAY at [bit.ly/nrate2026](https://bit.ly/nrate2026)**

**ENROLLMENT DEADLINE: 4/30/2026**

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