

# Ag Matters

## September 4, 2025



### Harvest 2025



As the harvest season rolls on, we want to take a moment to send out a huge THANK YOU to all the amazing farm families working around the clock. Your hard work, long hours, and unwavering dedication don't go unnoticed!

Left - Harvesting Hard Red Spring Wheat near Glenavon, SK. Courtesy of Kerri Schmidt

We know this time of year can be tough, with long days and sleepless nights, but you push through, day after day.

Thank you for everything you do—feeding the world, driving our economy, and carrying on the proud traditions of Saskatchewan farming. We're wishing you smooth days, safe operations, and a successful harvest season ahead.

Right - First wheat field. Southwest of Carrot River, SK

Courtesy of Ashley Van Meter





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## SUMA JOINS APAS's Call for GOVERNMENT ACTION ON TARIFFS



*"Tariffs on canola, peas and pork aren't just a farmer issue. It affects towns and cities all over Saskatchewan too. Together, SUMA and APAS are pushing hard for the government to step in and help protect our communities and keep our economy strong."*

Bill Prybylski, APAS President

APAS and the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA) teamed up to issue an urgent call to the federal government for immediate action to address these tariffs and their devastating impact on Saskatchewan's economy.

China's canola, peas and pork tariffs, as well as the anti-dumping investigation into Canadian pea starch, are trouble for Saskatchewan's agricultural exports.

Both APAS and SUMA underscore that these trade restrictions hurt not just farmers but communities across the province. SUMA President Randy Goulden emphasized, "Agriculture and processing are essential not just for rural areas but for cities, towns, and villages across Saskatchewan. A thriving agricultural sector benefits us all. We need government action now to address the tariffs and create new global trade opportunities."

APAS and SUMA are united in urging the federal government to take immediate steps to resolve these trade tensions with China and protect the future of Saskatchewan's farmers, communities, and economy.

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS - Enhancing Farmland Ownership Policy in Saskatchewan

APAS is reaching out to researchers and consultants for a critical analysis on farmland ownership policy in Saskatchewan. This initiative aims to bolster public trust in the regulations safeguarding farmland for the benefit of producers and their communities.

This initiative seeks to identify and recommend policy improvements that address farmland ownership concerns but also bolster the success of Saskatchewan farmers and their local communities.

### Project Goals and Objectives

The purpose of this project is multifaceted, focusing on:

1. Developing practical enhancements to laws and regulations that safeguard farmland ownership, ensuring they support the needs of our local farmers and rural communities.
2. Investigating the forces that shape local land markets and formulating policies to enhance transparency in land ownership. This includes ensuring fair competition and mitigating undue influences from external investors, such as corporate entities and foreign buyers.
3. Learning from global best practices on regulating foreign land ownership, the project aims to restore and enhance trust in the rules that govern farmland purchases.
4. Making information on land titles, prices, and market trends more understandable and readily available to local farmers and the community, thus enabling better decision-making.
5. Conducting risk analyses to determine the sustainability and competitiveness of family farms in the face of current investment patterns.
6. Delivering clear, evidence-based recommendations to improve transparency, boost regulatory oversight, and maintain equitable and sustainable farmland ownership in Saskatchewan.

By enhancing Saskatchewan's policy framework and increasing market transparency, APAS aims to ensure that Saskatchewan remains an agriculture leader.

Proposals are welcomed from those who are passionate about propelling Saskatchewan's rural economy toward a prosperous future.

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