March 10, 2021

Erin Meier, Executive Director Green Lands Blue Waters SARE Project Lead

Dear Erin,

I am writing to confirm our commitment to serve on the farmer advisory committee for Green Lands Blue Waters' 2021 NCR SARE Research and Education project titled *Match made in heaven: livestock + crops*. As an integrated crop and livestock farmer, I think this project will help researchers and educators gain important information on the practices and interests of farmers throughout the region and help them develop resources that will support our ability to adapt to changing conditions and move toward more resilient farming systems.

I agree to work with Green Lands Blue Waters in the following ways:

- Provide input to the project on survey questions and 'test drive' the survey before it is deployed.
- Help publicize the survey and encourage participation among farmers in my networks.
- Provide input on development of educational programming based on survey results and take part in project-sponsored workshops and field days.

Over the three-year project, from November 2021 to October 2024, I look forward to working with Green Lands Blue Waters staff and participants to support re-integration of livestock and crop farming in the North Central region.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Willis Willis Farms

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Grace Farms 5790 Hwy J Albany, MO 64402

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I am writing to confirm our commitment to serve on the farmer advisory committee for Green Lands Blue Waters' 2021 NCR SARE Research and Education project titled *Match made in heaven: livestock + crops*. As a livestock farmer in northwest Missouri, I think this project will help researchers and educators better understand the needs and circumstances of crop and livestock farmers throughout my area and help them better serve our needs and support more profitable and sustainable farming systems.

I agree to provide input to the project on survey questions and 'test drive' the survey before it is deployed, encourage participation among farmers in my networks, and provide input on development of educational programming based on survey results.

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Sincerely,

Jim Grace

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March 18, 2021

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Dear Erin,

I am writing to confirm my commitment to serve on the farmer advisory committee for Green Lands Blue Waters' 2021 NCR SARE Research and Education project titled *Match made in heaven: livestock* + *crops*. As a Wisconsin crop farmer I'm sure this project will help researchers and educators gain important information on the practices and interests of farmers throughout the region. I also believe the project can help develop resources to support our ability to adapt to changing conditions that help us move toward more resilient farming systems.

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FARMER COMMITMENT LETTER TEMPLATE PLEASE PLACE ON YOUR FARM'S LETTER HEAD AND REVISE AS DESIRED

DATE

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- Provide input on development of educational programming based on survey results and take part in project-sponsored workshops and field days.
- Host a field day to share what we're doing on our farm.

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Sincerely,

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