

2024 - 2025

PUBLIC POLICY WINS



\$139.4 B
economic impact

The total value of a business' production and is the measure of the value added plus intermediate expenditures.

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Tax Credit Incentives

Tax & Trade

TFI worked actively to preserve carbon capture and hydrogen and biofuel production tax credits in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act by engaging the TFI Board of Directors and members of the Government Affairs Committee in outreach efforts that included Congressional leadership, key House Republicans, and all 53 Senate Republicans.



Corey Speaking at an event during the Democratic National Convention in Chicago

Oval Office Recognition

Tax & Trade

TFI's continued emphasis on the need to strengthen domestic supply chains for critical minerals and energy saw success as President Trump issued several executive orders recognizing fertilizer's agricultural importance and aiming to increase domestic production through streamlining permitting processes.



TFI members at the White House.



Corey, Matk Orr, Ag Chairman GT Thompson, and TFI's Ryan Bowley speaking at an event during the Republican National Convention in Milwaukee.

Production Tax Credits Energy & Economic Growth

TFI had substantial input into IRS guidance implementing the hydrogen and biofuels production tax credits, including providing extensive comments to the IRS and the USDA, and sustained outreach to the USDA and EPA on EEFs. This engagement led to the recognition of TFI supported practices and fertilizer innovations within the final guidance.

Increased TSP Access & Plant Biostimulants Farm Bill

TFI efforts have led to both Congressional chambers introducing bills supporting CCAs and TSPs, and legislation aimed at improving nutrient management assistance for farmers and USDA cost-share support for precision agriculture equipment. Additionally, bills drafted to define plant biostimulants as beneficial plant nutrients under federal law and exclude them from incorrect treatment as pesticides were introduced in both chambers.

Rural Roads & Bridges Transportation

A TFI developed proposal addressing first- and last-mile connectivity in rural communities was introduced as the Agricultural and Rural Road Improvement Program Act (ARRIP Act, H.R. 4585). The ARRIP Act would shift nearly \$1.5 billion over 5 years from non-priority projects for rural communities to reducing weight-limited bridges, addressing capacity-restricted local roads, and improving rural road safety.

Rail Challenges Transportation

TFI testified before the Surface Transportation Board, calling on freight railroads to focus more on customer service and growth. TFI's testimony highlighted how fertilizer companies regularly face delays, held shipments, and escalating rates, often without any recourse. TFI's testimony also noted the impacts on service quality from the adoption of PSR, which has led to deep cuts in staff and equipment.



Michael Dalton and Jesse Stephenson of TFI's Transportation Committee on Capitol Hill



Ryan Bowley testifying before the Surface Transportation Board.

Supporting HTF Transportation

TFI led efforts to build support from nearly 30 ag associations for legislation in the House budget reconciliation bill to require EV owners pay user fees like all other highway users in support of road and bridge construction.

Engaging 4R Advocates Environment

TFI 4R Advocates presented their stories and experiences during several Congressional Fertilizer Caucus briefings, educating Congressional staff about the benefits of nutrient management and fertilizer's contributions to healthy soils and nutritious food. Advocates also met with their members of Congress and agency staff. 4R Advocates are a powerful tool in TFI's Congressional outreach efforts that also include hands-on advocacy through farm visits.



Grant Strom, 4R Advocate, speaking at a Congressional Fertilizer Caucus event.

State Labeling Innovation

TFI collaborated with the Association of American Plant Food Control Officials (AAPFCO) to build consensus around a uniform national fertilizer label that could be adopted in all 50 states. The effort has quickly led to the adoption of a model bill by an initial group of 14 states, setting forth consistent laws for registration and approval of beneficial substances, including plant biostimulants.

TSCA & Formaldehyde Environment

The EPA's final risk evaluation on formaldehyde incorporated many of the science-backed suggestions TFI provided. TFI led a sign-on letter to the EPA that included agricultural and green industry stakeholders, and provided oral comments to the Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals.

Critical Minerals Permitting, Registrations, and Designations

The designation of phosphate and potash as critical minerals and recognition of their essential roles in supporting agriculture and food security remains a top priority for TFI and the industry. Efforts included a formal bipartisan and bicameral letter from 43 members of Congress to the Secretary of the Interior urging the inclusion of both minerals in the draft 2025 Critical Minerals list. Potash was included on the draft list, in addition to being called out in several Executive Orders, while efforts around getting phosphate on the final list continue, including submitting comments to the docket.



Over the next few years, we expect activity to accelerate on these key issues. As the leading voice of the fertilizer industry, we encourage you to look to TFI to provide you with reliable and accurate information.

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We look forward to working with you.



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