

APPENDIX 1-2

QUALITY-OF-LIFE ASSESSMENT

Owning and operating a farm offers a unique quality of life. As part of your whole farm planning process, think about the answers to the following questions. Suggestion: Have your farm partners answer these questions separately, then discuss your answers.

Do you like to mix your personal life and work life or keep them separate? Why?

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How valuable is having leisure time with friends and family?

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How much do you like working with others, including employees, family members, and business partners? Would you rather work by yourself?

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Do you enjoy marketing and having contact with customers? Why or why not?

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What are your favorite tasks on the farm (e.g., handling animals, production, or marketing)?

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Approximately how many hours a week are you willing and able to work? Consider both on-farm and off-farm work.

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Are you a risk-taker? Are you comfortable with uncertainty, or do you prefer to know what to expect in most situations? Why?

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What does the phrase "financial security" mean to you?

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What are your family members' goals and interests? How do they align with yours?

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What other demands are made on your time? Consider family, health, hobbies, and other time commitments.

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Would you prefer to have family members perform all farm labor, or are you interested in hiring outside help?

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