Policy Statement
The American Society of Landscape Architects places a high value on farms at all scales and their important role in providing us with food, fiber, fuel, and plant-based products. ASLA believes that our nation's farms and ranches are a national resource, and we support sustainable practices that: protect air and water quality, promote biodiversity, and balance the conservation of soil, native habitats, and wetlands with the provision of fresh, healthy food and other agricultural products. ASLA supports policies that promote sustainable agricultural practices, support agrarian communities and economies, and protect agricultural areas from incompatible or encroaching development. Landscape architects also recognize the value of conserving farmland for future generations and support efforts towards that end.