

U.S. Rep. Steil: Stands up for Wisconsin agriculture industry

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WASHINGTON, D.C.—Today, Bryan Steil voiced his support for the inclusion of American agricultural products in trade negotiations with the European Union. The bipartisan letter was sent to U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer.

“Wisconsin is home to the best agricultural products in the world. I will always fight to expand trade opportunities for our exports. Failure to include these goods in a trade agreement with the EU will have a direct and harmful impact on Wisconsin farmers and ranchers,” said Steil.

As the letter states, exports from American farmers and ranchers face barriers to the EU market, including high tariffs, unscientific sanitary and phytosanitary measures, and protectionist policies on geographical indications that hurt American exports. European Commission officials have stated publicly that they will not discuss agriculture in negotiations with the United States. The Commission’s draft negotiating mandates also failed to include agricultural products.

You can read the letter [here](#).