

OUR PRIORITY: ACTION!



The administrators of the Montérégie UPA Federation are unanimous: agricultural property taxation is the priority in the provincial elections.



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End the transfer of the tax burden toward agri- businesses

Since 2005, Québec's farmers have been asking the government to amend the agricultural property tax system to avoid transferring the tax burden to farms. The results achieved are insufficient and no sustainable solution has been implemented.

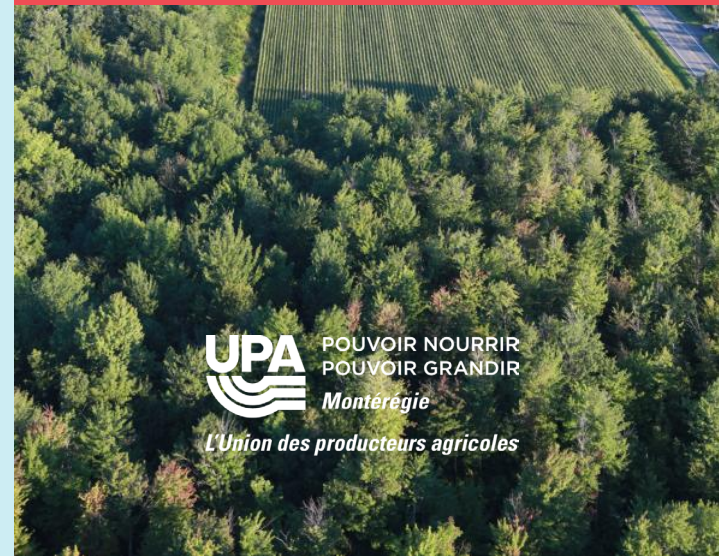
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**Demand an overhaul of the
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**To stop the increase of our tax
burden, it is time to act!**



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TROUBLING NUMBERS



- Since 2007, property taxes paid by farmers have increased from \$35.7 million to \$62 million;
- In the past 10 years, farmers' ability to invest has been reduced by \$26.3 million because of this excessive tax increase;
- Within the next 2 years, a Montérégie farm with 330 hectares of field crops will spend 22% of its net income on agricultural taxes; this rate was only 11% in 2016 and 7% in 2007.

**No economic sector
could manage this increase!**

\$20 MILLION:

Temporary and inadequate assistance

Cheques recently received from the MAPAQ do not cover the bills expected in 2019. To avoid going back to square one, we must demand

SUSTAINABLE ACTION.



SOME SOLUTIONS

- Limit taxable value to \$20,000/hectare;
- Impose a maximum tax rate of \$0.80 per \$100 of assessment value;
- Abolish the annual 5% cap increase for the program budget.

ALARMING INCREASE

The profitability of our farms is threatened!

