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Demand falls for corn for food production. Corn grain prices are low. Lose 1 income point for each corn field.

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A local bird watching group is looking for a place to meet to observe a variety of birds. You have a good location for them if you have three fields of switchgrass and/or native grassland. If your farm is a good site, gain 1 income point and 2 e-points.

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A local school group comes to visit your farm and learn about biofuel production. You gain two e-points for educating the future generation about biofuels.

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It is a pleasant, sunny day. You gain two e-points because your crops are taking in carbon dioxide for photosynthesis.

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Your antique tractor wins the best antique tractor award. Gain 1 income point.

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If you have at least 3 fields of perennial grass, win a local wildlife photography contest. The prize is one income point and two e-points.

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You decide to rent out your canoe to tourists. Earn 1 income and 1 e-point if you have grassy fields next to the stream. Tourists prefer looking at grass to corn.

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Scientists discover a cheaper way to produce miscanthus. Gain one income point for each of your miscanthus fields.

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Demand for corn grain for livestock feed has risen. Corn prices are up. Gain 1 income point for each corn field.

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University researchers are seeking bioenergy farms to participate in a study of the effects of different bioenergy crops on wildlife and nutrient runoff. If your farm has at least 3 different bioenergy crops, receive 2 income points and 3 e-points.

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A new technology allows biofuel refineries to create more fuel from every ton of bioenergy crop harvested. Receive 2 income points because your crops are more profitable and 2 e-points because biofuels can be produced more efficiently.

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The government reduces subsidies for corn. Lose 0.5 income points for each corn field.

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The government creates new subsidies for perennial bioenergy crops that help reduce carbon dioxide emissions. Receive 0.5 income points and 0.5 e-points for each perennial crop field.

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Scientists discover that miscanthus is escaping crop fields and invading natural habitats, harming wildlife. Lose 1 e-point for each miscanthus field.

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Grassland birds are migrating through your area and seeking good nesting sites in native perennial grasses. Gain 1 e-point for each switchgrass and native grassland planting, which provide habitats for the birds.

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To reduce greenhouse gas emissions, a "cap and trade" system has been adopted by your state. Energy companies are buying carbon credits from bioenergy farmers with perennial crops. Earn 1 income and one e-point for each perennial crop field.

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A tornado touches down on your farm destroying some of your crops. Lose 2 income points.

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You decide to rent out your farming equipment to your neighbor. Gain 1 income point.

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After unusually dry conditions, a brush fire spreads onto your field damaging some of your crops and one of your farm buildings. Lose 1 income point.

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Fertilizer costs increase due to rising oil prices. Lose 0.5 income points for each crop that used fertilizer that year.

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Heavy rains are causing erosion and runoff. Gain 0.5 e-points for each switchgrass, miscanthus, and native grassland crop that helps reduce runoff into streams and lakes. Lose 0.5 e-points for each corn crop that does less to prevent runoff.

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Local orchards are paying farmers to plant native grasslands because they provide habitat for bees that pollinate their fruit trees. Gain 1 income point and 1 e-point for each native grassland on your farm.

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Your region has been experiencing ideal growing conditions and crops produced more biomass than predicted this year. Gain 3 income points.

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Beneficial wasps that live in perennial grasses are helping to control an outbreak of the corn earworm pest. Gain 0.5 income points and 0.5 e-points for every corn field planted next to a perennial grass field.

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