



*Washington Commemorates 125 Years of Statehood on November 11, 2014!*

**Frequently Asked Questions**  
about the  
**Washington Centennial Farms 2014 Project**

**Q: What is a Washington Centennial Farm?**

**A:** The Washington State Department of Agriculture sponsored a program in 1989 recognizing farms that had been in the same family for 100 years or more. This program was a one-time effort undertaken during the state's Centennial celebration to highlight the important role agriculture played in the settlement and development of Washington State. More than 400 farms chose to participate in the program and were included in the publication "*Washington's Centennial Farms: Yesterday and Today*" or its Addendum.

**Q: Our farm has been in our family for 125 years or more but did not participate in the WSDA Centennial Farm program in 1989. Can we participate now?**

**A:** Unfortunately, we aren't able to include additional farm families. The 2014 project's purpose was to reconnect with the families that participated in the 1989 program and discover what significant changes have occurred over the last 25 years. Information about the results of the project and access to the online publication "*Washington's Centennial Farms, 25 Years Later*" can be found on the WSDA website.

**Q: We are a Centennial Farm family but we did not return the questionnaire. May we still fill it out and send it in?**

**A:** Yes, we are still interested in reconnecting with you. If you send in a completed questionnaire, we will add it to your Centennial Farm file that is part of the project records deposited with Washington State Archives. Seven farms that completed questionnaires in 2016, just as we were closing the project, were included in an Addendum that was posted on our website in November 2016.

**Q: Can I still purchase a copy of the 1989 Centennial Farms book?**

**A:** WSDA no longer has any copies of the book for sale, however, a digital copy of the book can be viewed or downloaded from the WSDA website (search "Centennial Farms book"). Copies of the book may be available for purchase on websites such as Amazon. You can also find copies of the book through most of the state's public libraries.

**Q: Is there an ongoing Century Farm recognition program in Washington?**

**A:** There is no continuing state-sponsored program recognizing farms that have been in the same family for 100 years or more. There are, however, some counties and local historical societies or museums that have "Century Farm" recognition programs. In the past, the Washington Cattlemen's Association and the Washington State Farm Bureau had Century Farm recognition programs, but these are not currently active.

Since 2007, Washington State has had a Heritage Barn program carried out by the Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation. Through this program, barns that are over 50 years old and retain a significant degree of historic and architectural integrity can be listed on the state's Historic Barn Register.

*For more information, visit the WSDA website at [www.agr.wa.gov](http://www.agr.wa.gov)*

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