can borrow, buy, or sell in the partnership name. Other limitations may include: No partner, without the consent the other partner(s), may obligate the partnership to enter into capital transactions, borrow, or lend money, admit new partners, hire new laborer(s), provide labor or management for other purposes, and the like. Dissolution or Termination

The subject of life insurance should be addressed in this section as it relates to providing capital to purchase a deceased partners share of the partnership. Options for termination due to choice, death, or disability should be covered here.

This section can either refer to a separate buy-sell agreement to detail the agreement in this section. This section would give each partner the option to buy out the other partner's share of partnership property for any reason. The method of pricing all assets (usually market value) should be stated. The option of an installment sale with a stated interest rate and a certain repayment period may be offered to all parties. This section should spell out the options of the departing partner, heirs, or assign as to what will happen if the remaining partner does not want to buy. One or two methods of arbitration should be spelled out to resolve major disagreements. Miscellaneous

Some of the items covered in this section may include provisions for admitting a new partner, continuation of an incapacitated partner as a partner, how to add to or amend the partnership agreement, or various options to purchase or lease real estate that is used but not owned by the partnership.

A regularly held meeting of all partners in a neutral spot such as a diner should be spelled out in this section. This meeting, to be held as often as neccesary but at least three times a year, would be used to iron out disagreements and make plans for future capital investments,

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cropping and livestock decisions.

These are some of the subjects that should be discussed before a formal agreement is drafted. The Penn State Cooperative Extension

has an excellent publication to help you in forming your partnership. To request your circular just call your local extension office and request Special Circular 265,

"Drafting a Partnership Agreement." Penn State is an equal opportunity educational institution.

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One outstanding conservation farmer or rancher in each state will be selected by June 1989, and that family will be honored in a variety of statewide events. The state winners also are eligible for national honors.

"Recognizing the true leaders who achieve resource management and pollution abatement can encourage many others in agriculture to conserve their natural resources," said Emmett Barker, chairman of the Endowment and president of the Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute. "These remarkable families and thousands like them show that soil and water conservation can be accomplished voluntarily. They demonstrate that conservation is an essential and cost-effective investment in a healthy, sustainable agriculture."

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The top conservation farmer or rancher in each state is selected by committees of farm, conservation, and government leaders. From these state winners, 10 national finalists are selected. They and their spouses receive an expense-paid trip to attend a national awards ceremony in the fall.

Three national winners — chosen from among the 10 finalists receive a \$1,000 cash award and a certificate at White House ceremonies in Washington.

National winners in the 1988 program were from California, Kansas and Virginia. The other finalists were from Florida, Kentucky, Maine, Pennsylvania, Texas, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

The National Endowment for Soil and Water Conservation, established in June 1982, is a nonprofit, privately funded, non-political organization dedicated to conserving the nation's agricultural resources and promoting a sense of stewardship for the land by all Americans.

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