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Form 990



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2012, 2012, and ending 09-30-2013

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)Room/suite

738 FIRST AVENUE EAST

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

SHAKOPEE, MN 55379

F Name and address of principal officer

TIM GERLACH

738 FIRST AVENUE EAST

SHAKOPEE, MN 55379

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?

☐ Yes☒ No

H(b) Are all affiliates included?☐ Yes☐ No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number

I Tax-exempt status

☐ 501(c)(3)☒ 501(c) (5)

(insert no)

☐ 4947(a)(1) or

☐ 527

J Website:

WWW.MNCORN.ORG

K Form of organization

☒ Corporation☐ Trust☐ Association☐ Other

L Year of formation

1978

M State of legal domicile

MN

Part I		Summary		
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities IDENTIFY AND PROMOTE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CORN GROWERS WHILE ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE		
	2	Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	18
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	17
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2012 (Part V, line 2a)	5	11
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	500
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
	b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0	0
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	5,501,402	5,338,773
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	13,982	6,689
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	147,127	144,182
			5,662,511	5,489,644
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	1,414,961	1,175,518
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	992,736	1,058,007
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ☐ 0		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	2,675,221	2,988,301
	18	Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	5,082,918	5,221,826
	19	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	579,593	267,818
Net Assets or Fund Balances			Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	3,141,064	3,367,468
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	1,320,031	1,278,617
	22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	1,821,033	2,088,851

Part II

Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here

Signature of officer

2014-03-18

Date

SUZANNE SWENSON SENIOR FINANCE DIRECTOR

Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Prnt/Type preparer's name

DEIRDRE HODGSON

Preparer's signature

Date

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN

P01484710

Firm's name

CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP

Firm's EIN

41-0746749

Firm's address

220 SOUTH SIXTH STREET SUITE 300

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

Phone no

(612) 376-4500

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

☒ Yes☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III

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1

Briefly describe the organization’s mission

IDENTIFY AND PROMOTE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CORN GROWERS WHILE ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE

2

Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If “Yes,” describe these new services on Schedule O

3

Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If “Yes,” describe these changes on Schedule O

4

Describe the organization’s program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

PRODUCER SERVICES (PS) TEAM THE PS TEAM HAS A BROAD AND DIVERSE LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS WITH WHOM IT PARTNERS IN ADDITION TO PROMOTING AND EDUCATING PEOPLE ABOUT CORN AND CORN FARMING AND THE ITEMS NECESSARY TO CONDUCTING THOSE ACTIVITIES, THE PS TEAM SUPPORTS PROJECTS SUCH AS VENUES AT THE MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, CHILDRENS'S AND MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUMS, AND SOME TWO DOZEN TRADESHOWS EACH YEAR THE PS TEAM HAS AND CONTINUES TO SPONSOR WORK CONDUCTED BY MORE THAN 100 COMMUNITY, STATE, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL GROUPS MATCHING PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT THE ACTIVITIES OF FORTY-SIX COUNTY CORN ORGANIZATIONS ARE FUNDED THROUGH THIS TEAM WITH ANOTHER SIX COUNTIES EXPECTED TO AFFILIATE WITH MCGA IN THE COMING YEAR IN 2013, SEVEN REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES ASSISTED OUR COUNTY AFFILIATES AND PARTICIPATED IN MORE THAN 200 EVENTS

4b

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

PRODUCTION STEWARDSHIP (SP) TEAM THE SP TEAM INVESTS RESOURCES IN BETWEEN 15 AND 25 PROJECTS EACH YEAR IN THE AREAS OF OPTIMIZING CROP PRODUCTION AND CONSERVING SOIL AND WATER QUALITY IN THE LAST YEAR, THE TEAM HAS SET UP LONG-TERM SUPPORT OF AN ALL-NEW NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT POSITION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA THE MINNESOTA AGRICULTURE WATER RESOURCES CENTER AND MINNESOTA DISCOVERY FARMS INITIATIVES ARE NOTABLE SUCCESSES UNDER THE PURVIEW OF SP TEAM

4c

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

COMMUNICATIONS NUMEROUS BROADCAST, WEB-BASED, OUTDOOR, SPECIAL EVENT AND PRINT MEDIA ACTIVITIES ARE CONDUCTED EACH YEAR THROUGH MINNESOTA'S CORN ORGANIZATIONS COMMUNICATIONS EFFORTS THESE RESULT IN HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF MEDIA IMPRESSIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND REGION IN ADDITION TO BASE COMMUNICATIONS PROJECTS PLANNED AND EXECUTED EACH YEAR, FOCUS TEAMS AND COMMITTEES DIRECT SPECIAL PROJECTS TO COMMUNICATIONS STAFF WHEN THEY INVOLVE A COMMUNICATIONS COMPONENT THESE MAY RANGE FROM A STRAIGHT FORWARD AND ONE-TIME NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT ASSOCIATED WITH AN EVENT OR TRADESHOW - TO MONTHS-LONG, MULTI-PARTNER, COALITION-BASED CAMPAIGNS COMMUNICATIONS STAFF ALSO OVERSEE SOCIAL MEDIA ACTIVITIES FOR THE ORGANIZATION AND ACT AS THE POINT OF CONTACT FOR JOURNALISTS

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

FOOD & BIOENERGY (FAB) TEAM - THE FAB TEAM SUPPORTS SEVERAL PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES INVOLVING FOOD AND FUEL - THE BIO-BASED ENERGY AND THE LIVESTOCK SECTORS FAB TEAM PROJECTS ARE AS DIVERSE AS SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL ETHANOL INITIATIVES SUCH AS BYO ETHANOL, GROWTH ENERGY MARKET DEVELOPMENT AND THE AMERICAN COALITION FOR ETHANOL - TO MINNESOTA CLEAN AIR CHOICE COALITION'S FUELING INFRASTRUCTURE AND CONSUMER EDUCATION EFFORTS CONDUCTED BY THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION IN MINNESOTA IN THE LAST YEAR, THE TEAM ACTED AS AN ORGANIZER AND FOUNDING SUPPORTER OF THE FARM & FOOD ALLIANCE OF MINNESOTA, WHICH ASSISTS LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS IN THEIR CARE OF ANIMALS

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

EXPANDED USES (EU) TEAM - IN THE LAST YEAR, THE EU TEAM DIRECTLY FUNDED SEVEN RESEARCH PROJECTS AND AN ADDITIONAL ELEVEN RESEARCH PROJECTS THROUGH ITS COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE AGRICULTURE UTILIZATION RESEARCH INSTITUTE (AURI) THROUGH THIS TEAM, MINNESOTA'S STATE CORN ORGANIZATIONS ARE THE SINGLE LARGEST FARM GROUP SUPPORTER OF AURI ALTHOUGH NOT LIMITED TO ONLY THESE, THE EU TEAM'S RESEARCH EMPHASIS HAD BEEN IN THE AREAS OF LIVESTOCK NUTRITION FEEDING STUDIES, DRIED DISTILLERS GRAINS, BIOMASS COLLECTION METHODS, AND BIOFUEL-POWERED ENGINE PERFORMANCE AND ENGINE TESTING

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e

Total program service expenses

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A		No
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?		No
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I		No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I		No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	Yes	
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		No
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX		No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		No
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	Yes	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional		No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)		No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to any government or organization in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21	Yes	
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22	Yes	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23	Yes	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i>	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a		
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b		
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highest compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> . . .	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34	Yes	
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	Yes	
b	If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b		No
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36		
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Part V

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V

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		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.	78	
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	0	
1c			
2a		11	
2b		Yes	
3a			No
3b			
4a			No
b			
5a			No
5b			No
5c			
6a			No
6b			
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
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13c			
14a			No
14b			

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure

For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	18	
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O			
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	17	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	Yes
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	The governing body?	8a	Yes
8b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No
10b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
11b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes
12b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
12c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	No
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)			
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No
16b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. ☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization SUZANNE SWENSON 738 FIRST AVENUE EAST SHAKOPEE, MN (952) 460-3605

Part VII

Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

- 1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year
- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid

List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any See instructions for definition of "key employee "

List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations

List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order individual trustees or directors, institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) TOM HAAG PRESIDENT	15 00	X		X				8,749	0	0
(2) RYAN BUCK VICE PRESIDENT	5 00	X		X				6,256	0	0
(3) BRUCE PETERSON TREASURER	5 00	X		X				6,531	0	0
(4) JEAN KNAKMUHS SECRETARY	5 00	X		X				4,359	0	0
(5) JOHN MAGES PAST PRESIDENT/COB	2 00	X		X				12,326	0	0
(6) LES ANDERSON BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						4,373	0	0
(7) CHARLES DEGROTE BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						6,366	0	0
(8) NOAH HULTGREN BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						5,662	0	0
(9) JOHN LUEPKE BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						5,663	0	0
(10) GERALD MULDER BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						5,663	0	0
(11) GARY PURATH BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						0	0	0
(12) RICHARD ROHRER BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						4,675	0	0
(13) GREG SCHWARZ BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						6,229	0	0
(14) STEVE SODEMAN BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						6,944	0	0
(15) BRIAN THALMANN BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						3,495	0	0
(16) DALE TOLIFSON BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						6,586	0	0
(17) TIM WAIBEL BOARD DIRECTOR	2 00	X						1,640	0	0

Part VII

1b	Sub-Total			
c	Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d	Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	356,375	0	31,082

2

3

Section B. Independent Contractors

1

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ▶3	
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Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VIII

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . .	1a				
	b	Membership dues	1b				
	c	Fundraising events	1c				
	d	Related organizations	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f					
Program Service Revenue	2a	REIMB FROM MN CRPC	Business Code	900099	4,715,357	4,715,357	
	b	MEMBERSHIP DUES	900099	447,686	447,686		
	c	CONVENTION INCOME	900099	103,750	103,750		
	d	OTHER PROGRAM REVENUE	900099	57,780	57,780		
	e	VARIETY PLOTS	900099	14,200	14,200		
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		5,338,773			
	Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)				
4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . .					
5		Royalties					
6a		Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
b		Less rental expenses	213,000				
c		Rental income or (loss)	68,818				
d		Net rental income or (loss)	144,182				
7a		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
b		Less cost or other basis and sales expenses		8,375			
c		Gain or (loss)		1,686			
d		Net gain or (loss)		6,689			
8a		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a				
b		Less direct expenses	b				
c		Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . .					
9a		Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a				
b		Less direct expenses	b				
c		Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . .					
10a		Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .	a				
b		Less cost of goods sold	b				
c		Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . .					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a							
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d						
12	Total revenue. See Instructions		5,489,644	5,338,773	0	150,871	

Part IX

Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part IX

☒

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21.	1,175,518			
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22.				
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4	Benefits paid to or for members.				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	407,366			
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).				
7	Other salaries and wages.	469,671			
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	24,124			
9	Other employee benefits.	78,245			
10	Payroll taxes.	78,601			
11	Fees for services (non-employees):				
a	Management.				
b	Legal.	2,460			
c	Accounting.	14,765			
d	Lobbying.	107,250			
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.				
f	Investment management fees.				
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O).	591,456			
12	Advertising and promotion.	877,007			
13	Office expenses.	208,655			
14	Information technology.				
15	Royalties.				
16	Occupancy.	70,120			
17	Travel.	353,367			
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	80,746			
20	Interest.	22,819			
21	Payments to affiliates.	174,960			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	107,789			
23	Insurance.	35,519			
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O).				
a	STIPENDS	209,287			
b	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	92,068			
c	AWARDS	36,417			
d	MISCELLANEOUS	3,616			
e	All other expenses				
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	5,221,826			
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

Part X

Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part X

				(A)		(B)
				Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		207,236	1	174,566
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		138,273	2	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			3	
	4	Accounts receivable, net		1,007,516	4	1,354,170
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L			5	
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L			6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net			7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use			8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		16,439	9	19,137
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a2,379,377			
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	10b559,782	1,771,600	10c	1,819,595
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities			11	
	12	Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11			12	
	13	Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11			13	
	14	Intangible assets			14	
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11			15	
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		3,141,064	16	3,367,468
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		375,449	17	323,521
	18	Grants payable			18	
	19	Deferred revenue		364,198	19	396,477
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities			20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D			21	
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L			22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		580,384	23	558,619
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D			25	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		1,320,031	26	1,278,617
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.					
	27	Unrestricted net assets		1,821,033	27	2,088,851
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets			28	
	29	Permanently restricted net assets			29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.					
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund			31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances		1,821,033	33	2,088,851
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		3,141,064	34	3,367,468

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	5,489,644
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	5,221,826
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	267,818
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	1,821,033
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	2,088,851

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	2a	No
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	2b	Yes
c	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	2c	Yes
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	3a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	3b	

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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2012

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

Name of the organization
MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number
41-1369512

Part I

Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate grants from (during year)	
4	Aggregate value at end of year	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No	

Part II

Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1

Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of an historically important land area
☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure
☐ Preservation of open space

2

Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
a	Total number of conservation easements
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register

3

Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4

Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5

Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

☐ Yes ☐ No

6

Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7

Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8

Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

9

In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$ _____

2

If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items

a

Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$ _____

b

Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$ _____

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Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

- 3

Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a

☐ Public exhibition

b

☐ Scholarly research

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

e

☐ Other
- 4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII
- 5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV

Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☒ Yes

☐ No
- b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	14,228
1d	10,003
1e	24,231
1f	0
- 2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?

☐ Yes

☒ No
- b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

☐

Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	b (c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a	Beginning of year balance				
b	Contributions				
c	Net investment earnings, gains, and losses				
d	Grants or scholarships				
e	Other expenditures for facilities and programs				
f	Administrative expenses				
g	End of year balance				

- 2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment

b

Permanent endowment

c

Temporarily restricted endowment

The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%
- 3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i) unrelated organizations

3a(i)

Yes

No

(ii) related organizations

3a(ii)

Yes

No

b

If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

3b

Yes

No

4

Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI

Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		111,834		111,834
b Buildings		1,574,414	259,070	1,315,344
c Leasehold improvements		3,991	3,990	1
d Equipment		628,359	278,906	349,453
e Other		60,779	17,816	42,963
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				1,819,595

Schedule D (Form 990) 2012

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	785,465
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	68,818
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	68,818
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	716,647
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	4,772,997
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	4,772,997
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	5,489,644

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	517,647
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	68,818
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	68,818
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	448,829
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	4,772,997
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	4,772,997
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	5,221,826

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	PART IV, LINE 1B	THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MCGA, TIM GERLACH, ACTS AS TREASURER FOR FARM POLICY FACTS. FARM POLICY FACTS SENDS INVOICES TO MCGA AND THE ASSOCIATION WRITES THE CHECKS. TIM GERLACH IS THE SIGNER ON THE CHECKS.
DESCRIPTION OF UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS UNDER FIN 48	PART X, LINE 2	THE ASSOCIATION IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT IS EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 501(C)(5) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND CLASSIFIED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AS OTHER THAN A PRIVATE FOUNDATION. THE ASSOCIATION ADOPTED THE ACCOUNTING STANDARD FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES RECOGNIZED IN AN ENTITY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THIS STANDARD CLARIFIES THE ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES RECOGNIZED IN AN ENTITY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND PRESCRIBES A RECOGNITION THRESHOLD FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT RECOGNITION OF TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN ON A TAX RETURN THAT ARE NOT CERTAIN TO BE REALIZED. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS STANDARD HAD NO IMPACT ON THE ASSOCIATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THE ASSOCIATION'S TAX RETURNS ARE SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND EXAMINATION BY FEDERAL AUTHORITIES. THE TAX RETURNS FOR THE YEARS 2010 TO 2012 ARE OPEN TO EXAMINATION BY FEDERAL AUTHORITIES.
PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		RENTAL EXPENSE 68,818
PART XI, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		EXPENSES RELATED TO CONTRACT WITH MN CORN RESEARCH AND PROMOTIONAL COUNCIL 4,598,037 MEMBERSHIP FORWARDS TO NCGA AND COUNTIES 174,960
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Schedule I
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1

Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2

Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
See Additional Data Table							

2

Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table

13

3

Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

16

Part III

Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a)Type of grant or assistance	(b)Number of recipients	(c)Amount of cash grant	(d)Amount of non-cash assistance	(e)Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f)Description of non-cash assistance

Part IV

Supplemental Information.

Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
PROCEDURE FOR MONITORING GRANTS IN THE U S	PART I, LINE 2	SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2 INVOICES ARE REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY STAFF TEAM LEAD MONITORING OF THE USE OF FUNDS ARE REQUIRED AS OUTLINED IN EACH CONTRACT

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EIN: 41-1369512

Name: MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

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(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
AMERICAN COALITION FOR ETHANOL5000 S BROADBAND LANE SUITE 224 SIOUX FALLS,SD 57108	45-0407345	501(C)(6)	9,000		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
DISTILLERS GRAIN TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE 435 LUTZ HALL LOUISVILLE,KY 40292	31-1546199	501(C)(6)	5,500		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP

Form 990,Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV , appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
FARM AND FOOD ALLIANCE108 MARTY DR BUFFALO,MN 55313	46-0596611	501(C)(6)	20,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
FARM POLICY FACTSPO BOX 596 ARLINGTON,VA 22216	20-8921012	501(C)(4)	125,000		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

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(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV , appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
GCR PROPERTIES LLC619 WST GERMAIN ST BOX 2 ST CLOUD,MN 56301	45-3165240		5,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
GOVERNOR'S BIOFUELS COALITIONPO BOX 94922 LINCOLN,NE 68509	20-1643847	501(C)(3)	5,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP

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GROWTH ENERGYPO BOX 30273 OMAHA,NE 68130	26-3542537	501(C)(6)	10,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
IOWA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION5505 NW 88TH ST 100 JOHNSTON,IA 50131	42-1036179	501(C)(5)	10,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP

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MN4HU OF MN GATEWAY CENTER 200 OAK ST SE 270B MINNEAPOLIS,MN 55455	41-1408161	501(C)(3)	5,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
MINNESOTA AGRICULTURAL WATER RESOURCE CENTER3080 EAGANDALE PL EAGAN,MN 55121	45-1676970	501(C)(3)	276,000		N/A	N/A	RESEARCH

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MN AG IN THE CLASSROOM PO BOX 385906 BLOOMINGTON,MN 55438	41-1587595	501(C)(3)	30,000		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
MN AGRIGROWTH COUNCIL 408 ST PETER ST ST PAUL,MN 55102	41-0991212	501(C)(6)	5,250		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP

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MN BEEF RESEARCH AND PROMOTION2950 METRO DR SUITE 20 SKYWAY ST PAUL,MN 55425	41-1230774	501(C)(3)	10,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
MN FARM BUREAU3080 EAGANDALE PL EAGAN,MN 55121	41-0417230	501(C)(5)	92,000		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

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(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV , appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
MN FARMERS UNION600 CTY RD D W STE 14 ST PAUL,MN 55112	41-6041830	501(C)(3)	16,530		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
MN FFA FOUNDATIONPO BOX 118 ROSEMOUNT,MN 55068	41-6038263	501(C)(3)	17,750		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

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(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV , appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
MN GRAIN AND FEED ASSOCIATION3470 WASHINGTON DR SUITE EAGAN,MN 55122	41-0248640	501(C)(6)	5,900		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
MN HISTORICAL SOCIETY 345 KELLOGG BLVD W ST PAUL,MN 55102	41-0713907	501(C)(3)	20,000		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

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MN MILK PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION108 MARTY DR SUITE 2 BUFFALO,MN 55313	41-1469481	501(C)(3)	12,500		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
MN PORK PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION151 ST ANDREWS CT STE 810 MANKATO,MN 56001	20-0399755	501(C)(5)	5,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP

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MN STATE FAIR1265 SNELLING AVE N ST PAUL,MN 55108	41-2013696	501(C)(3)	10,000		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
MN TECHNOLOGY ENGINEER (MTEEA)3223 CLEVELAND ST NE MINNEAPOLIS,MN 55418	45-4535072	501(C)(3)	8,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP

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REDWOOD SPEEDWAY LLC 400 E BRIDGE ST 1 REDWOOD FALLS, MN 56283	27-1719152		7,250		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
RENEWABLE FUELS ASSOCIATION425 3RD ST SW SUITE 1150 WASHINGTON,DC 20024	52-1203707	501(C)(6)	20,000		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

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SEVER'S CORN MAZE 15900 FLYING CLOUD DR EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55347	41-1883167		65,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
SOUTH CENTRAL COLLEGE 1920 LEE BLVD NORTH MANKATO, MN 56003	41-1649572	501(C)(3)	5,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP

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SWMN STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATIONFOUNDERS HALL 1501 STATE ST MARSHALL, MN 56258	23-7108470	501(C)(3)	46,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP
UNIVERSITY OF MN1300 S SECOND ST MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55485	41-6007513	STATE OF MN	67,120		N/A	N/A	EDUCATION AND AWARENESS AND SPONSORSHIP

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(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV , appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
VIKING SPEEDWAYPO BOX 462 ALEXANDRIA,MN 56308	41-1744707		6,000		N/A	N/A	SPONSORSHIP

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, question 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization
MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number
41-1369512

Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

		Yes	No
1a	Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items		
	☐ First-class or charter travel ☐ Travel for companions ☐ Tax idemnification and gross-up payments ☐ Discretionary spending account ☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use ☐ Payments for business use of personal residence ☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees ☐ Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b	If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b	
2	Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2	
3	Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III		
	☒ Compensation committee ☐ Independent compensation consultant ☒ Form 990 of other organizations ☒ Written employment contract ☒ Compensation survey or study ☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4	During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization		
a	Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	4a	No
b	Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4b	No
c	Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?	4c	No
	If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III		
	Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-9.		
5	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of	5a	
a	The organization?	5b	
b	Any related organization?		
	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III		
6	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of	6a	
a	The organization?	6b	
b	Any related organization?		
	If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III		
7	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	7	
8	Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8	
9	If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	9	

Part II

Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported as deferred in prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1)TIM GERLACH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	(i)	152,683	0	0	8,925	7,433	169,041	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part III **Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1 a, 1b, 3, 4 a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II
Also complete this part for any additional information

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE O

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION	Employer identification number 41-1369512
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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1	THE ASSOCIATION'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS COMPRISED OF THE PRESIDENT, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY AND TREASURER THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS CHAIRMAN ARE ALSO ON THE COMMITTEE IF NOT REPRESENTED BY ONE OF THE OFFICERS OF THE BOARD THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS THE AUTHORITY OF THE FULL BOARD BETWEEN MEETINGS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	THE ASSOCIATION'S MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO ALL INDIVIDUALS AND CORPORATIONS WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN SUPPORTING THE COMMON PURPOSES OF MINNESOTA CORN PRODUCERS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A	DULY APPOINTED DELEGATES FROM COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS AND MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION ELECT THE ASSOCIATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	THE ASSOCIATION'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REVIEWS THE FORM 990 IN DEPTH WITH KEY STAFF AND THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR THE FORM 990 IS THEN PRESENTED TO THE FULL BOARD BEFORE IT IS FILED WITH THE IRS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	THE ASSOCIATION HAS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ANNUAL STATEMENT WHERE EACH DIRECTOR, OFFICER, AND MEMBER OF A COMMITTEE WITH BOARD DELEGATED POWERS SHALL COMPLETE AND SIGN THE STATEMENT AT THE TIME OF HIS OR HER INITIAL ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER THE ASSOCIATION ALSO CONDUCTS PERIODIC REVIEWS OF THE POLICY TO ENSURE THAT IT OPERATES IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH ITS PURPOSES IF A CONFLICT IS DETERMINED TO EXIST BY THOSE MEMBERS WHO DO NOT HAVE A CONFLICT, THE INTERESTED PERSON MUST LEAVE THE BOARD (OR COMMITTEE) MEETING DURING THE DISCUSSION OF, AND THE VOTE IN, THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT THAT RESULTS IN THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST ALL PROCEEDINGS RELATED TO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST ARE DOCUMENTED IN THE MEETING MINUTES

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A	THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, WHICH IS COMPRISED OF INDEPENDENT PERSONS, USED A SALARY SURVEY TO DETERMINE COMPENSATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. A WRITTEN CONTRACT WAS APPROVED BY THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE. THIS PROCEDURE WAS LAST PERFORMED IN 2012 FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, T GERLACH. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REVIEWS AND DETERMINES THE COMPENSATION FOR THE BUSINESS & FINANCE DIRECTOR. THE ASSOCIATION USES SALARY SURVEYS AND FORM 990S OF OTHER SIMILARLY SITUATED EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS TO DETERMINE THE COMPENSATION OF OTHER OFFICERS, INCLUDING THE BUSINESS & FINANCE DIRECTOR, S SWENSON. THIS PROCEDURE WAS LAST PERFORMED IN 2012.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE ASSOCIATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
OTHER FEES	FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G	RESEARCH TOTAL EXPENSES 79,922 MEDIA/COMMUNICATIONS TOTAL EXPENSES 224,518 PR AND EDUCATION TOTAL EXPENSES 134,750 OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES TOTAL EXPENSES 152,266

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
EXPLANATION FOR RENTAL ACTIVITY	FORM 990, PART VIII, LINE 6A	THE MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION ("ASSOCIATION") AND THE MINNESOTA CORN RESEARCH AND PROMOTION COUNCIL ("COUNCIL") ARE TWO SEPARATE ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK VERY CLOSELY TOGETHER AND SHARE A MISSION. THE COUNCIL AND THE ASSOCIATION SHARE THE OBJECTIVE AND PURPOSE OF PROMOTING THE EFFICIENT PRODUCTION OF CORN AND ENHANCING THE PROFITABILITY OF CORN PRODUCERS IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA. THE COUNCIL AND THE ASSOCIATION DESIRE TO ALLOCATE EXPENSES AMONG THEIR RESPECTIVE ORGANIZATIONS IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE THE AMOUNT OF RESOURCES THAT CAN BE UTILIZED TO ACHIEVE THEIR MUTUAL OBJECTIVES WHILE AT THE SAME TIME COMPLYING WITH ALL LEGAL RESTRICTION ON THE USE OF COUNCIL FUNDS. THE COUNCIL PAYS RENT TO THE ASSOCIATION.

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization
MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number
41-1369512

Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) MINNESOTA CORN RESEARCH AND PROMOTIONAL COUNCIL 738 FIRST AVENUE EAST SHAKOPEE, MN 55379 93-1026869	RESEARCH	MN	N/A	N/A	N/A		No
(2) MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION FEDERAL PAC 738 FIRST AVENUE EAST SHAKOPEE, MN 55379 27-1156398	POLITICAL ORGANIZATION	MN	527	N/A	MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION	Yes	
(3) MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION STATE PAC 738 FIRST AVENUE EAST SHAKOPEE, MN 55379 27-0444457	POLITICAL ORGANIZATION	MN	527	N/A	MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION	Yes	

Part III

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income(related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V—UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end- of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512 (b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

Part V

Transactions With Related Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.)

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule

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During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

a

Receipt of (i) interest (ii) annuities (iii) royalties or (iv) rent from a controlled entity

b

Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)

c

Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)

d

Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)

e

Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)

f

Dividends from related organization(s)

g

Sale of assets to related organization(s)

h

Purchase of assets from related organization(s)

i

Exchange of assets with related organization(s)

j

Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)

k

Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)

l

Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)

m

Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)

n

Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)

o

Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)

p

Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses

q

Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses

r

Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)

s

Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

	Yes	No
1a		No
1b		No
1c	Yes	
1d		No
1e	Yes	
1f		No
1g		No
1h		No
1i		No
1j	Yes	
1k		No
1l	Yes	
1m		No
1n	Yes	
1o		No
1p		No
1q	Yes	
1r		No
1s		No

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If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved

Schedule R (Form 990) 2012

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

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Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 41-1369512
Name: MINNESOTA CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Part VII **Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions)

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation	
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