Farmers wary as Pangea seeks expansion

INDUSTRY IN DECLINE IN QUEBEC

Group signs joint ventures as it pows on with bigger-is-better model

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Quebec’s powerful farmers’ association continues to struggle with the province’s often conflicting policies. The mood among farmers in the province is particularly grim as the nation’s largest agricultural group, the Quebec Federation of Agricultural Cooperatives, signs new joint ventures.

The federation, which represents more than 100,000 farmers, is seeking to expand its operations to diversify its income sources. The group is looking at opportunities in other sectors, such as renewable energy and tourism, to offset declining revenues from traditional farming activities.

Farmers are concerned that the federation’s expansion plans could have a negative impact on their livelihoods. They worry that the federation’s focus on diversification could lead to a decline in the importance of traditional farming activities and the loss of skilled labor.

The federation’s president, Jean-Pierre Beaulieu, says the group is seeking to become more resilient in the face of changing market conditions. He notes that the federation has been working with farmers to transition to more sustainable practices and to diversify their income sources.

However, some farmers are skeptical about the federation’s plans. They say that the federation should focus on supporting traditional farming activities rather than diversifying into new sectors.

Despite these concerns, the federation remains committed to expanding its operations. It has already signed joint ventures with other organizations, such as a solar energy company and a tourism development firm, to explore new revenue opportunities.

Farmers are hopeful that these new ventures will provide a source of income and help the federation remain competitive in the face of changing market conditions. However, they are also concerned about the potential impact on their livelihoods and the stability of traditional farming activities.