

They should start listening to the farmers, manufacturers, and small business owners who are being crushed, say WisDems.

MADISON, WI - Farmers in Wisconsin and across the country are getting crushed by President Trump's trade war with China. Exports continue to fall, forcing farms to close their doors, manufacturers to lay off workers, and small businesses to stop expanding.

But apparently it's all just one big joke to Donald Trump and his administration.

Shot: "Tariffs are making an already terrible situation so much worse for farmers and our business owners in the dairy industry." -- Anna Landmark, co-owner and cheesemaker at Wisconsin's Landmark Creamery, at a press conference highlighting the negative impacts of Trump's trade war on her industry.

Chaser: "What do you call two farmers in a basement? A whine cellar." -- Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue at a FarmFest listening session in Minnesota.

Democratic Party of Wisconsin Spokesperson Philip Shulman released the following statement

in response to Sec. Perdue’s comments:

“Somehow Donald Trump and his administration’s tax and trade policies are still worse than the asinine jokes they make about our struggling farmers, which shows how little they actually care about the very real and tangible pain being felt by so many in our state and across this country. Instead of wasting our time trying to think up the latest laugh, they should start listening to the farmers, manufacturers, and small business owners who are being crushed by their policies and chaotic trade war with China.”