Plugging the Leaks for a Sustainable Future

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Cover Crop
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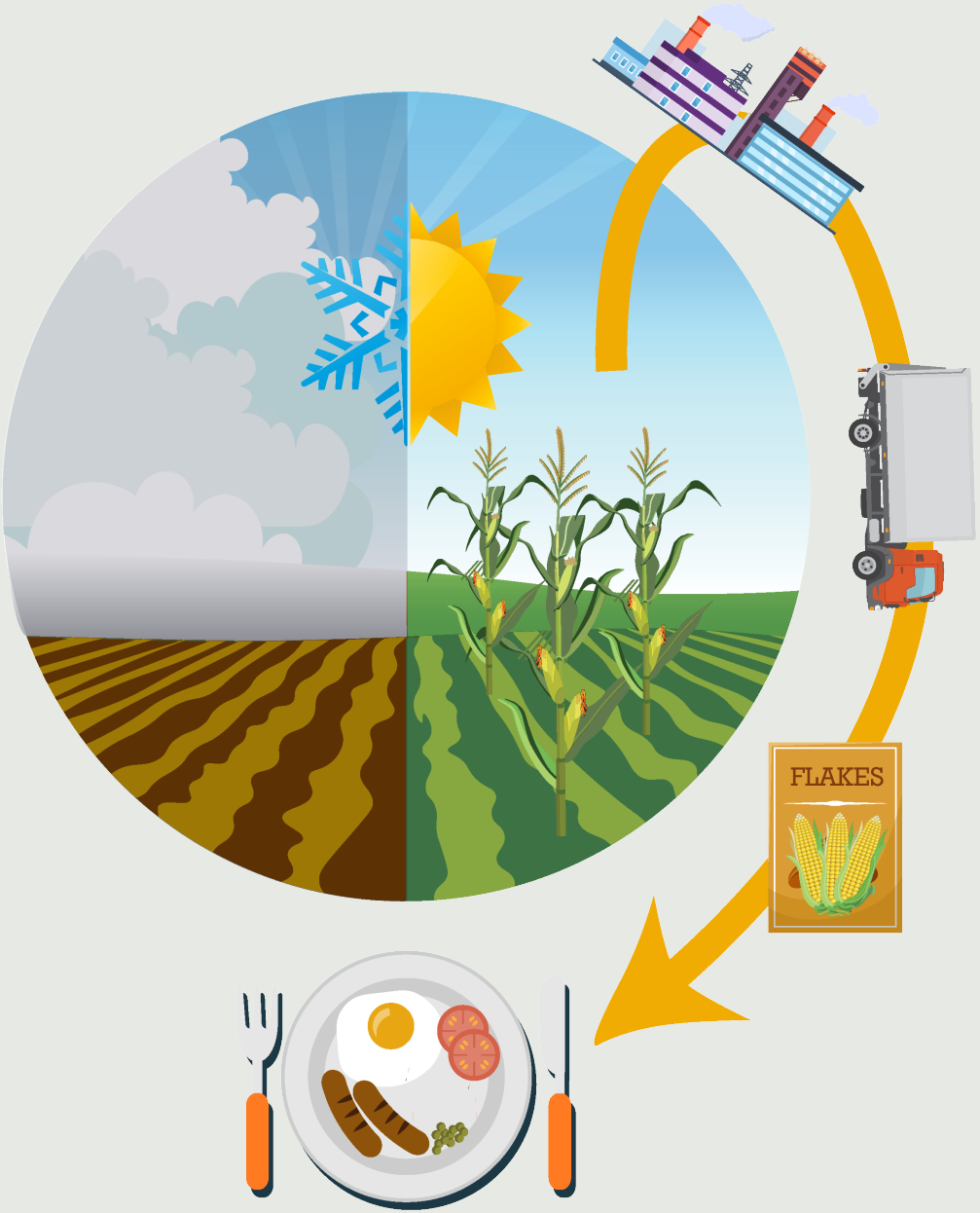
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Collaboration to build markets for diverse rotations

- Feeding more than just corn and soybeans
- Grazing cover crops
- Cover crop seed markets
- R&D for product development that uses soil friendly crops

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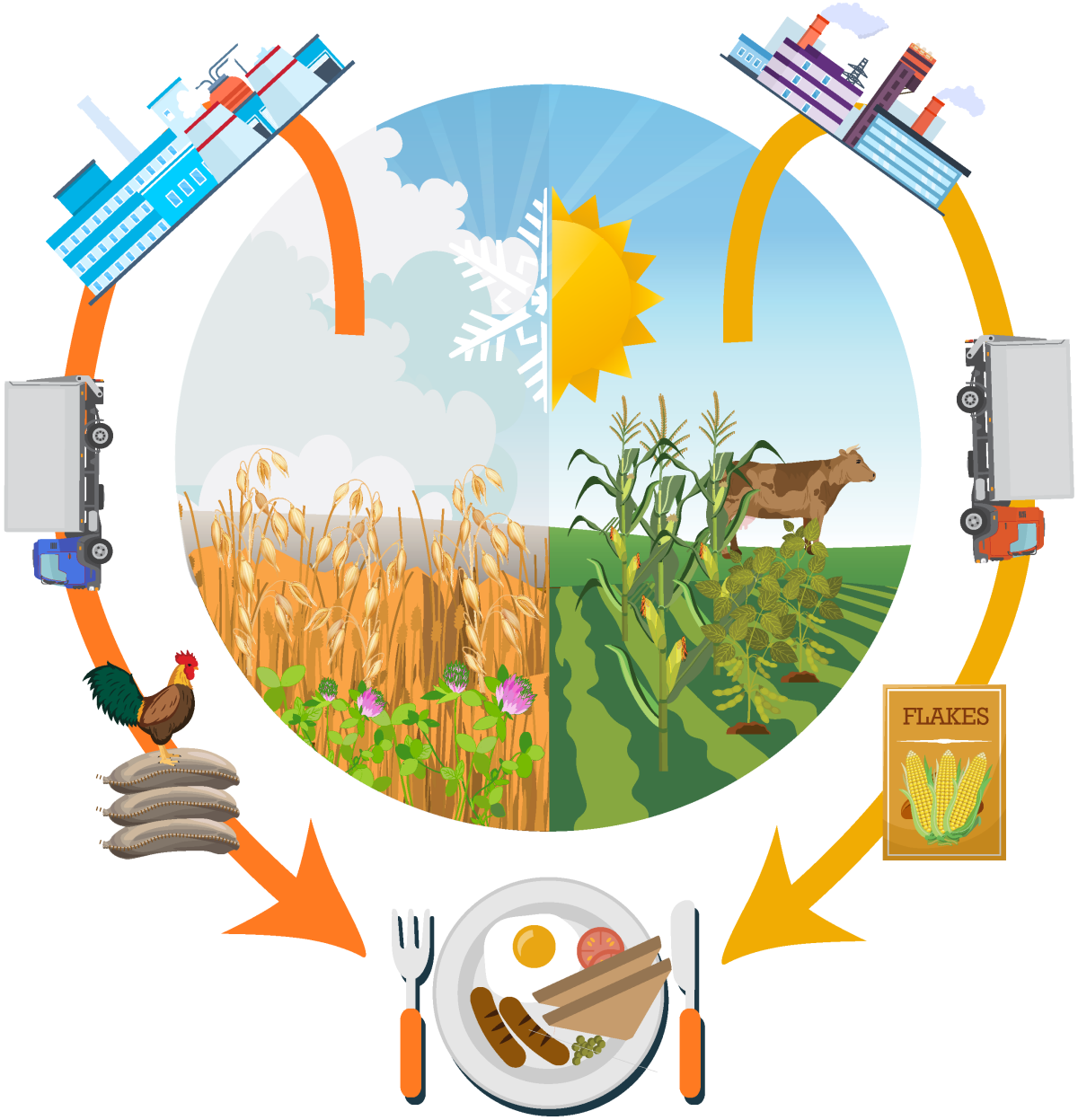
Investment beyond check-lists

- De-risk practice change
  - investing in adaptive knowledge networks
  - changing trading relationships to support long-term investment in farming communities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"the essential wisdom accumulates in the community as much as fertility builds in the soil, in both death becomes potentiality." ~ Wendell Berry