

Bank of America Asks if it is Time To Invest In Real Assets Such As Farmland?

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In a March 29, 2021 article in the Financial Post "Posthaste: Tired of market gyrations? Why it is time to invest in real assets such as farmland,



timber — and art" – Bank of America is advising clients to look at other opportunities to hedge their bets.(1)

In a recently published report by the Bank of America, they state to, "Own real estate, commodities, and collectibles, either directly or through financial products such as REITs (real estate investment trusts), ETFs (exchange trade funds) and specialized funds focusing on infrastructure, homebuilding, precious metals, farmland, timber, wine, etc." (1)

Bank of America believes a secular turning point for both inflation and interest rates has arrived and the 40-year bull market in bonds has come to an end. That scenario is bullish for real assets, commodities, small cap, value and emerging market stocks, and bearish for bonds, the U.S. dollar and large cap companies.(1)

Veripath Farmland Funds has also published a report "The Effect of Long-Term Real Rates on Farmland Appreciation Behaviour", where it concludes that the current lower real rate environment, if it continues, appears to be highly favorable to ongoing farmland appreciation prospects.(2)

Read more of the Veripath Report at:

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Sources:

1. <u>Inttps://financialpost.com/executive/posthaste-tired-of-market-gyrations-why-it-is-time-to-invest-in-real-assets-such-as-farmland-timber-and-art</u>

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