



## Technology Investment Area

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This document provides eligible investments and is considered to be the standards by which an investment area is to be implemented.

Funded participants shall adhere to all local, state, and federal rules and regulations.

Questions concerning these guidelines should be directed to the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy at (502) 564-4627. Application for funds must be directed through the local County Agricultural Development Council(s).

### Eligible Categories

#### A. Precision Agriculture

##### Cost Share Items:

1. GPS Monitor/Receiver
2. GPS Light Bar/Guidance System
3. GPS Yield Monitor
4. Spatial Analysis Software/Training (Registration Only)
5. Computer GPS Hardware
6. Variable Rate Application Control Equipment
7. Services related to Spatial Management

#### B. Animal Data Management

##### Cost Share Items:

1. Scale Head
1. Readers (Panels, Loops, Wands, and Portals)
2. Management Programs
3. RFID Tags purchased through a KADB approved vendor (e.g. CPH45 tags)
4. Carcass and/or Feed Efficiency Data Collection through a KADB approved vendor

## **C. Computer Hardware and Record Management Software**

### **Prerequisites**

- To be eligible for cost-share on hardware or record management software, the producer must have completed training certification for an eligible software package.

### **Cost Share Items:**

1. Accounting Software
2. Tax Preparation Software
3. Data Base / Inventory Management Software
4. Personal Data Assistant (PDA)
5. Laptop, personal computer, or other hardware upgrades
6. Computer Hardware and Software to assist performance record keeping and financial management
7. One-half the cost of participation in the Kentucky Farm Business Analysis Program
8. One-half the cost of membership in a producer owned marketing cooperative

## **D. Broadband Internet Service**

### **Prerequisites**

- To be eligible for reimbursement on one year of service, the producer must have the equipment installed and a copy of a signed service contract (minimum of one-year).

### **Cost Share Items:**

1. 50% of the cost of equipment and installation provided by a broadband provider not to exceed \$250.00 per producer.
2. 50% of the cost of broadband service for a period of one year not to exceed \$40.00 per month (\$480.00 for the one year) per producer.

## **D. Other Equipment**

### **Cost Share Items:**

1. Field Meters - pH, refractometer (Brix-meter), moisture, ERGS, ORP/Oxygen, Sodium, NPK: to monitor nutrients, moisture, etc.
2. Microscopes