



## 2019 APPROVED GUIDELINE REVISIONS

*The following changes were approved by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board (KADB), effective with applications approved at the January 2019 KADB meeting.*

### Deceased Farm Animal Removal (DAR):

**GUIDELINES:**

Reauthorized for 2019

**Modified** current language from “...only one application per 12-month period will be considered” to “...only one application per county per program year will be approved”

### Next Generation Beginning Farmer (NextGen):

**GUIDELINES:**

Reauthorized for 2019

**Reduced** the number of years to provide a copy of the schedule F from “each year in operation” to “the most recent three (3) years”

**Revised** eligibility of producers to ages 18 to 40 with a minimum of three (3) years engaged in an agriculture operation, as an owner, tenant or employee

### On-Farm Energy Efficiency Incentives:

*This section applies **ONLY** to the state energy program. It is not relevant to the CAIP energy investment area.*

**GUIDELINES:**

Reauthorized for 2019 with a total of \$400,000 in state funds allocated

**Revised** submission deadlines from four dates to three dates

**Reduced** number of copies for submission to original plus one (1) copy

### Shared-Use Equipment:

**GUIDELINES:**

Reauthorized for 2019

**Added** clarifying language that rental/leasing fees may not be different for members vs. non-members of the administrating entity

**Added** the following equipment: rolling harrow; flail mower; air blast sprayer; and, post driver (*trailer-mounted, self-contained, to include special safety guidelines*)

## Youth Agricultural Incentives Program:

### **GUIDELINES:**

Reauthorized for 2019

**Clarified** application period is a minimum of 15 business days and program promotion/advertising is a minimum of three weeks, similar to CAIP/NextGen

**Changed** program to require pro-rating among all eligible applicants, since there is no scoring component

**Modified** purpose of program to read "...to facilitate a growing need for a specialized program that would **encourage youth to engage in and explore agricultural opportunities**"

**Reorganized** Youth Investment Areas from 11 to six (6), combining like areas into "Agricultural Diversification," "Showmanship (All animals except bees)," "Animal Production," "Forage & Grain Improvement," "Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)," and "Country Ham Projects"

**Removed** Youth "Fencing & On-Farm Water" investment area

**Removed** the Youth "Turf Development & Management" category  
*Note: would still be eligible as an SAE*

**Added** environmental projects to "Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)" investment area

**Added** requirement that participants purchasing any type of livestock must provide health papers

## Community Gardens Project Guidelines:

*Reauthorized for 2019; No changes*

## Farmers Market Project Guidelines:

*Reauthorized for 2019; No changes*

## Demonstration Farms Project Guidelines:

*Program rescinded for 2019*

## County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP):

### **STANDARD GUIDELINES:**

**Revised** purpose to include both statements: "to provide cost-share assistance on practices that increase net farm income" and "to provide cost-share assistance to try new/innovative technologies or systems to improve farm efficiency and/or productivity"

**Established** a committee of the board and staff to begin exploring broader changes in “taking CAIP investments to the next level” in 2019 for 2020: Mark Barker, Pat Henderson, Gordon Jones

**Established** a minimum number of site visits for the required “random site visits” administrative entities must conduct modifying the following sections:

- a. Section I.A.1.e “...including random, periodic site visits, **as outlined in Section II.A.5. Site Visits**”
- b. Section II.A. add a #5 as follows “Site Visits: The administrative entity shall ensure that at a minimum 25% of approved applicants or 13 recipients, whichever is lesser, receive a site visit this program year. All capital construction projects shall receive a site visit.”

**Revised** II.A.2. “Scoring Committee” to exclude County Agricultural Development Council members from serving on this committee

**Added** members of the Scoring Committee (*individual(s) managing the program*) will be ineligible to apply for CAIP

**Added** the program administrator (*individual(s) managing the program*) and members of his/her household will be ineligible to apply for CAIP, starting in 2020

**Clarified** if program funds are returned, then the 5% allowable amount for administrative expenses is recalculated on the reduced amount – “Total of Program Funds Used.” Any amount over the recalculated limit must either be justified or returned.

**Allowed** administrative entities the option to choose one of the following: 1) automatically award the full amount (producer maximum) to each approved applicant or 2) allow individuals to request less funding in the producer application, so more awards may be made.

**Changed** “receive” to “apply for,” as follows: “Only one individual per household, regardless of county, is eligible to apply for ~~receive~~ CAIP funds within a program year.”

**Allowed** extension agent discretion on who completes the educational requirement in special circumstances with notification to GOAP

**Added for 2020** producers shall submit proof of payment (e.g. cancelled check, credit card statement, etc.) with reimbursement requests (*Notify in 2019*)

## **CAIP INVESTMENT AREAS:**

### **Animal, Large:**

#### **A. Cattle – Beef & Dairy**

**Added** heifers with a calf, as long as they are under 30 months

**Added** embryo transfer work

**Added to Milk Production category** somatic cell testing tools or kits

**Added** castration tools, including banders

**Added** pneumatic darts, remote injection methods for herd health

**Added** the cost of having a Nutrient Management Plan or Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan developed

**B. Equine**

**Added** embryo transfer work

**Added** castration tools, including banders

**Added** the cost of having a Nutrient Management Plan or Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan developed

### Animal, Small:

**Added** the cost of having a Nutrient Management Plan or Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan developed

**Added** vaccines to goat/sheep, swine and rabbits to be consistent with Large Animal

**Added** embryo transfer work to goat/sheep and swine

**Added** castration tools, including banders to goat/sheep and swine

**Added** to goat/sheep – microscopes, flotation solution, slides/covers for parasite management

**Removed** buck/ram leases, similar to Large Animal last year

**Added** ear tagging and tattoo equipment like listed in Large Animal

### Forage & Grain Improvement:

**Clarified** that seeding is not required to access cost-share on “9. Rental of land clearing equipment or custom land clearing services,” *and must be for agricultural purposes only.*

### Poultry & Other Fowl:

**Added** the cost of having a Nutrient Management Plan or Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan developed

**Added** tagging/banding and tattoo equipment

### Value-Added & Marketing:

**Added** outside (off-farm) processing fees for commercial resale of meat or fiber, as eligible cost-share item

**Added** third-party farm certifications

**Added** a new category “Food Safety,” as follows:

- a. Renovation of existing farm structure into appropriate facilities for washing, handling and storing produce (e.g. closing packing houses, installing concrete floors)
- b. Construction, including site preparation of new on-farm facilities for produce washing, handling and storage
- c. Materials to install or upgrade infrastructure related to worker hygiene and wildlife exclusion to ensure Food Safety Modernization Act (FMSA) Compliance (e.g. sinks, hand-washing stations, portables, fencing, deterrent equipment).
- d. Other harvest, washing, handling and storage equipment essential to good agricultural practices that ensure food safety (e.g. harvest totes, drum washers, stainless steel benches and racks, single-use wax boxes)
- e. One-time cost-share on the cost of liability insurance for GAPs-audited farms entering new marketing channels

Exclusions: Construction or improvements to buildings not used for produce washing, handling or storage are not eligible.