These guidelines represent one of 11 investment areas within the County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP) to provide Kentucky agricultural producers cost-share assistance on practices that increase net farm income and opportunities to try new/innovative technologies or systems that improve farm efficiency and productivity.

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

### A. Precision Agriculture

**Eligible 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

**Eligible Cost-Share Items:**

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

### C. Farm Safety

**Eligible Cost-Share Items:**

1. Farm Implement Safety: fire extinguisher, lights, PTO cover, replacement tractor seat with belt, signage, sirens, seat belt/rollover bars, safety switches and rollover bar canopies for farm implements only
2. Personal Protective Gear: gloves, dust mask, half/full face respirators, helmets, face shields/accessories (including filter cartridges), forced air pumps/batteries
3. Grain Bin Safety: safety harness & lifeline; grain bin lockout/tag out (LOTO) system
D. Computer Hardware and Record Management Software

**Eligible Cost-Share Items:**

1. **Software:** Accounting, Database/Inventory Management, Tax Preparation or other recordkeeping/financial management software
2. **Hardware**: Laptop, personal computer, tablet or other hardware upgrades, including printers and scanners
   *Excludes cost-share on data plans and phones.*
3. One-half the cost of participation in the Kentucky Farm Business Analysis Program
4. One-half the cost of membership in a producer-owned marketing cooperative

E. Miscellaneous Equipment

**Eligible Cost Share Items:**

1. **Field Meters** - pH, refractometer (Brix-meter), moisture, ERGS, ORP/Oxygen, Sodium, NPK: to monitor nutrients, moisture, etc.
2. **Broadband Internet** - 50% of the cost of equipment and installation provided by a broadband provider not to exceed $250 per producer.

F. Leadership Development

**Prerequisites:**

Applicant must provide proof of enrollment/acceptance, as well as contact information of the leadership program coordinator

Applicant must provide an invoice/letter from leadership program coordinator and a copy of cancelled check for the full amount of the program

**Eligible Cost-Share Items:**

One-half of the tuition for one adult leadership program, up to a maximum of $1,000

Eligible programs include but are not limited to the following:

- Leadership Kentucky
- Kentucky Agricultural Leadership Program
- Commodity Organization Leadership Programs (e.g. Kentucky Cattlemen’s Leadership Program)
- Kentucky Entrepreneurial Coaches Institute
- Regional Leadership Programs (e.g. Leadership East Kentucky or Northern Kentucky Leadership Foundation)
- County Leadership Programs
- County Agricultural Leadership Programs