



Report for the
**Tobacco Settlement Agreement Fund
Oversight Committee**

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**On-Farm Energy Efficiency, Grain Bin Rescue Equipment
Among 17 Agricultural Investments Approved**
More than \$1.3 million invested in Kentucky Agricultural Development Funds

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (August 17, 2018) –The Kentucky Agricultural Development Board approved \$1,381,763 in 17 agricultural diversification and rural development projects across the Commonwealth at its monthly board meeting.

State Investments:

Viticulture and Enology Research and Extension

The University of Kentucky Research Foundation was approved for up to \$390,189 in State funds over a two-year period to support the State Viticulture and Enology Extension Program. For more information on these projects, contact Patsy Wilson at (859) 494-1657 or patsy.wilson@uky.edu.

County Investments:

Energy Efficiency Incentives

The On-Farm Energy Efficiency Incentives Program provides incentives for Kentucky farm families to increase energy efficiency of existing equipment or facilities. Eight On-Farm Energy Efficiency Programs were approved totaling \$68,190 for recipients in Barren (\$2,485), Breckinridge (\$10,150), Butler (\$10,150), Calloway (\$10,150), Christian (\$10,150), Daviess (\$10,150), Oldham (\$10,150) and Wayne (\$4,805).

Grain Bin Rescue Equipment

Wingfield Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. was approved for up to \$890 in Edmonson County funds to purchase two Turtle Tube grain bin rescue devices. For more information on this project, contact Andy Alford at (270) 792-7958 or aalford@windstream.net.

On-Farm Investments

The County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP) offers 11 investment areas that give Kentucky agricultural producers the ability to increase net farm income, add value to their products and diversify their operation. CAIP benefits and enhances agriculture across the state by stimulating markets for Kentucky agricultural products. Four CAIPs were approved by the board totaling \$852,494 for Barren (\$280,000), Green (\$180,000), Mason (\$200,000) and Metcalfe (\$192,494) counties.

In addition to these new approvals, an additional \$55,000 was approved to enhance an existing CAIP in McCracken (\$30,000) and Owen (\$25,000) counties.

Youth Agricultural Incentives Program

The Youth Agricultural Incentives Program serves as a measure to facilitate the growing need for a specialized program that benefits youth actively engaged in agriculture. One Youth Agricultural Incentives Program totaling \$15,000 was approved for Carroll County.

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Great strides continue being made toward lessening Kentucky's dependence on tobacco production while revitalizing the farm economy by investing a portion of Kentucky's Master Settlement Agreement Funds into the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund.

To date, Kentucky has invested nearly \$575 million in an array of county, regional and state projects designed to increase net farm income and create sustainable new farm-based business enterprises. These funding approvals, made possible by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund, represent just a few of the more than 5,900 projects approved, since the inception of the program in January 2001.

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KADF Programs

Approved at the August 2018 KADB Meetings

CAIP

<u>County</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Funds Approved</u>
Barren	Barren County Conservation District	7/27/2018	\$280,000
Green	Green County Cattlemen's Association, Inc.	7/25/2018	\$180,000
Mason	Buffalo Trace Area Development District, Inc.	7/23/2018	\$200,000
Metcalfe	Metcalfe County Conservation District	7/13/2018	\$192,494
4			\$ 852,494

On-Farm Energy Program

<u>County</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Funds Approved</u>
Barren	Robert Scott Beachamp	6/29/2018	\$2,485
Breckinridge	Kenneth R. Snyder	6/25/2018	\$10,150
Butler	Heritage Farms	6/28/2018	\$10,150
Calloway	LaVern Litwiller	6/28/2018	\$10,150
Christian	Millerdale Farms	6/29/2018	\$10,150
Daviess	Handyville Poultry, LLC	6/29/2018	\$10,150
Oldham	Dropseed Native Plant Nursery	6/29/2018	\$10,150
Wayne	Henpecked Farms, Inc.	6/28/2018	\$4,805
8			\$ 68,190

Youth Ag Incentives Program

<u>County</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Funds Approved</u>
Carroll	Carroll County Conservation District	7/13/2018	\$15,000
1			\$ 15,000

App # **A2018-0056**
Applicant Name **Owen County Farm Bureau, Inc**
Original Amount Approved \$245,000
Execution Date 4/30/2018
Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$25,000 in Owen County funds for the *CAIP Program*. The request received a high priority from the County Council.
This is the first request for an amendment to this application number. The term of the program shall remain 12-months from the execution date of the original agreement.
Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$270,000.
Recommend Approval

App# **A2017-0199**
Applicant Name **McCracken County Soil Conservation District**
Original Amount Approved \$115,000
Execution Date 12/11/2017
Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$30,000 in McCracken County funds for the *CAIP Program*. The request received a high priority from the County Council.
This is the first request for an amendment to this application number. The term of the program shall remain 12-months from the execution date of the original agreement.
Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$145,000.
Recommend Approval

Approved Project

Wingfield Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.**A2018-0143****Application County: Edmonson****County Priority: High****Date Application Submitted: 6/22/2018****FUNDING REQUEST**

The Wingfield Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. is requesting \$890 in Edmonson County funds to purchase two Turtle Tube grain bin rescue devices.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant intends to purchase two Turtle Tube grain bin rescue devices to be placed strategically on two ends of the county with local volunteer rescue squads and fire departments in case of an emergency. These two departments are the Wingfield Volunteer Fire Department and the Kyrock Volunteer Fire Department. The tubes will be distributed to the departments after a field day held at a local farm where personnel will be properly trained on how to use the tubes. Wingfield Volunteer Fire Department is responsible for record keeping on usage of the tubes.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,780 dollars with funding from the following sources:

- \$890 KADF Edmonson County funds (secure)
- \$890 Edmonson County Farm Bureau (secure)

PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

This project is designed to provide safety in the case of emergency to farmers in Edmonson County.

Committee Recommendation:

The White Application Review Committee recommends funding \$890 in Edmonson County funds, subject to the terms and conditions below:

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

1. Funds shall be available upon the execution of the Legal Agreement in the form of a cost-reimbursement grant.
2. Funds shall be disbursed upon the Recipient submitting itemized receipts/invoices and either a cancelled check or a copy of a relevant credit card statement as proof of payment. Funds may be drawn on the account for up to 12 months from the execution date of the Legal Agreement. The reimbursement rate shall be \$0.50 per dollar of approved documented expenses. Approved documented expenses may come from categories listed in the budget as an exhibit to the Legal Agreement.
3. The Recipient shall submit annual reports detailing the number of classes and people trained on the safety equipment, as well as usage of the equipment in rescues, if applicable.

Board Decision:

Grain Bin Rescue Equipment: The Wingfield Volunteer Fire Department Inc. was approved for \$890 in Edmonson County funds to purchase two Turtle Tube grain bin rescue devices.

Approved Project

University of Kentucky Research Foundation**A2018-0145****Application County:** *_ALL***County Priority:** *Not Applicable***Date Application Submitted:** *6/25/2018***FUNDING REQUEST**

The University of Kentucky Research Foundation is requesting \$486,085 in State funds over a two year period to support the State Viticulture and Enology Extension Program.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant develops and implements programs assisting new and existing grape growers and winemakers across Kentucky. The applicant addresses industry challenges to continue development by supporting educational activities and program assistance to both grape growers and winemakers in Kentucky. The applicant plans to research and identify optimum vineyard and winemaking practices, as well as profitable varieties for grape and wine production. The applicant also states that the University has obtained its Small Farm Winery License, and has begun wine sales through the Community Supported Agriculture. The applicant indicates that KADF funds will support viticulture and enology positions, operating expenses, student worker(s), and travel expenses.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$972,170 with funding from the following sources:

\$486,085 KADF State funds (unsecure)

\$486,085 UK Agriculture Research funds (secure)

PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant indicates that there are 70 wineries and more than 120 individual grape producers in Kentucky that will benefit from this project.

Committee Recommendation:

The White Application Review Committee recommends funding the request for up to \$486,085 in State funds over two years subject to the terms and conditions below:

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

1. Funds of \$240,049 for the first year shall be available upon the execution of the legal agreement in the form of a grant.
2. Funds of \$246,036 for the second year shall be contingent upon:
 - a) The recipient providing an presentation to the board before the anniversary date on the progress made toward achieving its goals and outcomes; and
 - b) On the continued production and sale of wine.
3. Future funding will be dependent upon the growth of vineyard acres.
4. The project goals and outcomes shall be attached to the legal agreement as an exhibit.

Board Decision:

Viticulture and Enology Research & Extension: The University of Kentucky Research Foundation was approved for \$390,189 in state funds over a two-year period to support the State Viticulture and Enology Extension Program. Funding will be divided into \$200,097 for first year and \$190,092 for second year.

Warren Beeler 9/5/18- 10/3/18

9/5/2018 Oversight	
9/6/2018 CPC Field Day	9:00 AM
9/8/2018 Marshall Co. Farm to Fork Dinner	5:00 PM
9/10/2018 KTRDC Meeting	12:00 PM
Mercer Co. Farm Bureau Dinner	6:00 PM
9/11/2018 Local Food Economies Meeting	
Veterinary Contract Spaces Working Group	2:30 PM
9/13/2018 KFB Political Education Adviosry Committee	10:00 AM
Graves Co. Farm Safety Day	
9/14/2018 KAFC	10:00 AM
9/15/2018 Barren Co. Farm Bureau Annual Meeting	6:30 PM
9/17/2018 Alpaca Association Meeting	12:00 PM
Farms to Food Banks Advisory Committee	3:00 PM
9/18/2018 Hardin County Livestock Events Center Ribbon Cutting	8:30 AM
Cambell Co. Beginning Farmer Dinner	6:00 PM
9/19/2018 Dr. Roy Burris Retirement Celebration	6:00 PM
9/20/2018 Grayson Co. Chamber of Commerce	5:00 PM
9/21/2018 KADB	10:00 AM
9/25/2018 KFB Swine Advisory Committee Meeting	10:00 AM
9/26/2018 LAND - Shelby Co.	
9/27/2018 EKU Robotic Milker Ribbon Cutting	5:00 PM
9/28/2018 IJC Ag Meeting	10:00 AM
10/2/2018 Speak at Madison County Leadership	8:30 AM
Veterinary Contract Spaces Working Group	2:30 PM
10/3/2018 Oversight	10:00 AM