

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

July 16, 2021

Meeting of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board

## **KADF Programs**

### Approved at the July 2020 KADB Meeting

CAIP				
<u>County</u> Magoffin	Program Administrator  Magoffin County Agriculture Investment Program Incorpo	<b>Date Submitted</b> 06/10/2021		<b>Funds Approved</b> \$ 106,000.00
Nelson	Nelson County Conservation District	06/15/2021		\$ 125,881.00
Jefferson	Jefferson County Soil & Water Conservation District	06/17/2021	State	\$ 10,525.00
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Laurel	Laurel County Cattlemen's Association, Inc.	06/21/2021		\$ 160,157.00
McLean	Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, Inc.	06/25/2021		\$ 40,000.00
Elliott	Elliott County Conservation District	06/23/2021		\$ 180,785.00
Cumberland	Clinton/Cumberland Cattlemen's Assoc., Inc.	06/25/2021		\$ 165,294.00
Whitley	Whitley County Cattlemen's Association, Inc.	06/23/2021		\$ 32,726.00
Barren	Barren County Conservation District	06/25/2021		\$ 350,000.00
9			_	\$ 1,212,843.00

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<b>County</b>	Program Administrator	<b>Date Submitted</b>	Funds Approved
Taylor	Taylor County Conservation District	06/15/2021	\$ 14,500.00
Nelson	Nelson County Fiscal Court	06/15/2021	\$ 7,500.00
2			\$ 22,000.00

#### Next Generation Farmer (NextGen)

<u>County</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Funas Approvea</u>
Nelson	Nelson County Conservation District	06/15/2021	\$ 25,000.00
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#### Youth Ag Incentives Program (Youth)

<u>County</u> McLean	<u>Program Administrator</u> Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, Inc.	<b>Date Submitted</b> 06/25/2021	<b>Funds Approved</b> \$ 5,000.00
Clark	Clark County Conservation District	06/25/2021	\$ 40,000.00
2			\$ 45,000.00

Total County\* KADF Approved for Programs: \$1,304,843.00

# **APPENDIX C: Requested Program Amendments**

App # A2020-0112

Applicant Name Caldwell/Lyon Cattleman's Association

Original Amount Approved \$93,790 Execution Date \$12/03/2020

Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$29,888 in Caldwell County funds

for the CAIP Program. The request received a high priority from the

County Council.

This is the second 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 \$123,678.

**Recommend Approval** 

App# A2020-0237

Applicant Name Taylor County Cattlemen's Association

Original Amount Approved \$126,334 Execution Date \$11/04/2020

Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$104,000 in Taylor 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 \$230,334.

**Recommend Approval** 

App # A2021-0008

Applicant Name Kenton County Farm Bureau

Original Amount Approved \$65,000 Execution Date 03/09/2021

Requested Change The applicant requests an <u>additional</u> \$59,797 in Kenton 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 \$124,797.

**Recommend Approval** 

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# **APPENDIX C: Requested Program Amendments**

App# A2021-0079

Applicant Name Clark County Conservation District

Original Amount Approved \$150,000 Execution Date 06/03/2021

Requested Change The applicant requests an <u>additional</u> \$25,000 in Clark 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 \$175,000

**Recommend Approval** 

App# A2021-0098

Applicant Name Meade County Cattlemen's Association

Original Amount Approved \$68,881 Execution Date 06/22/2021

Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$13,620 in Meade 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 \$82,501

**Recommend Approval** 

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#### **Dowdy's Custom Meat Processing LLC**

A2020-0354

Application County: Graves Date Submitted: 12/28/2020

Total Funds Awarded: \$250,000

#### **FUNDING REQUEST**

Dowdy Customer Meat Processing is requesting \$250,000 in State funds to renovate his current processing facilities to become USDA Certified and to purchase processing equipment.

#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant plans to build a new USDA processing facility. This is due to the increase in demand of his custom processing during COVID-19. He has developed good relationships with the local farmers and believes this is the right time to take this step. The addition will be a 60 by 80 foot facility that will include a new kill floor, a processing room, holding pens, and retail space. The current facility will be used for taxidermy only moving forward. The new facility will allow the owner to offer both custom and USDA processing.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$529,559 with funding from the following sources:

\$250,000 State funds

\$249,559 Loan with River Valley Ag credit (Secured)

\$30,000 Owner Investment (Secured)

#### PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant estimates that more than 130 producers have the potential to benefit from this project.

#### **Board Decision:**

Dowdy's Custom Meat Processing LLC was approved for up to \$250,000 in State funds, as a forgivable loan, to renovate its existing processing facilities to become USDA Certified and to purchase processing equipment. This project is a Meat Processing Investment Program (MPIP) Level 3.

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#### **Approved Project**

RedLeaf Biologics, Inc A2021-0059

Application County: Fayette Date Submitted: 03/26/2021

Total Funds Awarded: \$485,020

#### FUNDING REQUEST

RedLeaf Biologics, Inc., is requesting \$485,020 in State funds to help with the construction of a commercial pilot processing facility and to purchase a harvester for red sorghum.

#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant manufactures a unique botanical extract with high value applications in several industries. This product is produced in Kentucky with its red sorghum variant, which produces valuable nutraceutical and pigments at higher levels than existing strains. To commercialize its product this year, they must complete two critical milestones: 1) build its first pilot-scale facility and 2) purchase equipment to mechanically harvest its crop at scale. This funding request is to help bridge the last mile.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$970,040 with funding from the following sources: \$485,020 State funds

\$485,020 Capital Raised Tough the Scale of Equity in the Company (Pending)

#### PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant states that two farm families will be impacted by this project.

#### **Board Decision:**

RedLeaf Biologics, Inc., was approved for up to \$485,020 in State funds, as a direct loan, for the construction of a commercial pilot processing facility and to purchase a harvester for red sorghum used to produce unique botanical extracts.

David Fair A2021-0103

Application County: Grant Date Submitted: 04/21/2021

Total Funds Awarded: \$2,494

#### **FUNDING REQUEST**

Dave Fair (Fair Custom Meat Processing) is requesting \$2,494 in State funds to purchase a dual chamber vacuum. This will be a Meat Processing Investment Program Level 2 Project in Grant County.

#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

Dave Fair (Fair Custom Meat Processing) estimates that if funded their facility will be able to increase up to 10 beef equivalents per week.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$4,989 with the following funding sources: \$2,494 State funds

\$2,494 Personal funds (Secure)

#### **Board Decision:**

Dave Fair (Fair Custom Meat Processing) was approved for up to \$2,494 in State funds to purchase a dual chamber vacuum. This will be a Meat Processing Investment Program Level 2 Project in Grant County.

J Anderson Farms A2021-0124

Application County: Pulaski Date Submitted: 05/05/2021

Total Funds Awarded: \$12,335

#### FUNDING REQUEST

J Anderson Farm is requesting \$12,335 in Pulaski County funds for a feasibility study to see the potential impact of a cull cow processing plant in southern Kentucky.

#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant plans to have KCARD perform a feasibility study to see the potential impact of a cull cow processing plant in southern Kentucky. The applicant hopes the feasibility study will help them find a location that can have the highest impact on the cattle industry across the state.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$24,670 with funding from the following sources:

\$12,335 Pulaski County funds (Secure)

\$12,335 USDA Value Added Producer Grant (Unsecure)

#### PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant indicates that all of Kentucky beef producers could potential benefit from this project.

#### **Board Decision:**

J Anderson Farm was approved for up to \$12,335 in Pulaski County funds for a feasibility study to look at the potential impact of a cull cow processing plant in southern Kentucky.

#### **Lincoln County Fiscal Court**

A2021-0130

Application County: Lincoln Date Submitted: 05/13/2021

Total Funds Awarded: \$32,441

#### **FUNDING REQUEST**

Lincoln County Fiscal Court is requesting \$32,441 in County funds for a 5500 diesel truck with hydraulic PTO bed for their DAR service.

#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

Funding will be used to purchase the truck and install the hydraulic PTO bed. Lincoln County Fiscal Court recognizes the need for a replacement vehicle for their dead animal disposal program. The Lincoln County Fiscal Court has had a dead animal disposal program in place since 2003 and incurs \$130,000 in annual costs to run the program. Their goal through replacing this truck is to provide a reliable method of transportation for livestock to be disposed of through their program.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$64,883 with funding from the following sources:

- \$ 32,441 KADF funds
- \$ 32,442 Lincoln County Fiscal Court

#### PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant states that the project has countywide impact.

#### **Board Decision:**

Lincoln County Fiscal Court was approved for up to \$32,441 in County funds for a 5500 diesel truck with hydraulic PTO bed for the county's deceased animal removal service.

#### Christian County Agricultural Extension Foundation, Inc.

A2021-0136

Application County: Christian Date Submitted: 05/21/2021

Total Funds Awarded: \$15,000

#### FUNDING REQUEST

Christian County Agricultural Extension Foundation, Inc. is requesting \$30,000 in Christian County funds for a commercial kitchen.

#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant plans to use the kitchen in the Christian County Agriculture Arena Expo for several functions, such as space for startup businesses, non-profit groups, and education classes. In the future their goal is to host the Pennyrile Beekeepers and they plan to host extraction and processing clinics in the kitchen as well.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,565,000 with funding from the following sources:

- \$ 15,000 Christian County funds (Secure)
- \$ 500,000 Christian County Extension Foundation (Secure)
- \$1,000,000 County Government (Secure)

#### PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant indicates that around 500 farm families would benefit could potential benefit from this project.

#### **Board Decision:**

Christian County Agricultural Extension Foundation, Inc. was approved for up to \$15,000 in Christian County funds for a commercial kitchen.

#### Hindman Settlement School A2021-0137

Application County: Knott Date Submitted: 05/24/2021

Total Funds Awarded: \$5,445

#### FUNDING REQUEST

Hindman Settlement School is requesting \$5,445 in Knott County funds to expand the Knott County Farmers Market.

#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant plans to expand the farmers Market by utilizing tents to expand upon the pavilion that on the campus of Hindman Settlement School. This allows for more vendors and farmers to set up and market their goods, which in turn provides greater access to fresh products to consumers. Additionally, the Farmers Market wishes to expand their marketing techniques in an effort to reach more consumers and farmers in the Knott County area.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$10,890 with funding from the following sources:

\$5,445 Knott County funds (Secure)

\$1,900 Texas Society of Daughters of the American Revolution (Secure)

\$ 3,545 Organizational Dollars/ Private Philanthropic Support (Secure)

#### PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant indicates that they will provide greater access for local producers to market their goods so that local consumers will purchase from numerous local vendors.

#### **Board Decision:**

Hindman Settlement School was approved for up to \$5,445 in Knott County funds to expand the Knott County Farmers Market.



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# Kentucky Agricultural Development Board approves more than \$2.3 million for projects across the commonwealth

Funded projects focus on agricultural diversification, rural development

**BOWLING GREEN (July 16, 2021)** – The Kentucky Agricultural Development Board approved \$2,339,883 for agricultural diversification and rural development projects across the commonwealth at its monthly board meeting.

#### **State and County Funded Projects**

- Christian County Agricultural Extension Foundation, Inc. was approved for \$15,000 in Christian County funds for a commercial kitchen to provide a space for startup businesses, non-profit groups, and education classes. For more information, contact James Stone at <a href="mailto:jstone@uky.edu">jstone@uky.edu</a> or 270-886-6328.
- Hindman Settlement School was approved for \$5,445 in Knott County funds to expand the Knott County Farmers' Market. For more information, contact Kelsey Cloonan at <a href="kelsey@hindman.org">kelsey@hindman.org</a> or 606-785-5457.
- J Anderson Farm in Pulaski County was approved for \$12,335 in Pulaski County funds for a feasibility study to see the potential impact of a medium scale beef processing plant in southern Kentucky. For more information, contact John Anderson at <a href="mailto:inanger:jandersonfarms@hotmail.com">jandersonfarms@hotmail.com</a> or 606-423-0004.
- Lincoln County Fiscal Court was approved for \$32,441 in Lincoln County funds for a 5500 diesel truck with hydraulic PTO bed for the county's deceased animal removal service. For more information, contact Judge Jim Adams at <a href="mailto:idams@lincolnky.com">idams@lincolnky.com</a> or 606-365-2534.
- RedLeaf Biologics, Inc. in Fayette County was approved for \$485,020 in State funds as a 2.75 percent direct loan to help with the construction of a commercial pilot processing facility and to purchase a harvester for red sorghum. For more information, contact Robert Wood at <u>jordan@redleafbiologics.com</u> or 205-910-0641.

## **Meat Processing Investment Program (MPIP)**

MPIP provides funding for meat processors who are currently or plan to become USDA certified to financially incentivize economical expansion of businesses to

process Kentucky beef, dairy, pork, lamb, goat, and poultry products.

- David Fair (Fair Custom Meat Processing) in Grant County was approved for \$2,494 in State funds as a MPIP Level 2 project to purchase a dual chamber vacuum. For more information, contact Dave Fair at faircustommeat@gmail.com or 859-824-4160.
- Dowdy's Custom Meat Processing LLC in Graves County was approved for \$250,000 in State funds as a MPIP Level 3 project to renovate the current processing facilities to become USDA Certified and to purchase processing equipment. For more information, contact Jeffery Dowdy at dowdystaxidermy@gmail.com or 270-376-5270.

#### **County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP)**

CAIP provides Kentucky agricultural producers with cost-share assistance on practices to allow them to improve and diversify their current farm operations. CAIP covers a wide variety of agricultural enterprises in its 11 investment areas, including, but not limited to, bees and honey; equine; forage; beef and dairy cattle; goats and sheep; horticulture; poultry; swine; timber and technology, as well as energy efficiency and production; farm infrastructure and water enhancement; marketing; and value-added production.

Fourteen CAIPs were approved by the board totaling \$1,445,148:

- Barren (\$350,000)
- Caldwell (\$29,888)\*
- Clark (\$25,000)\*
- Cumberland (\$165,294)
- Elliott (\$180,785)
- Jefferson (\$52,000)
- Kenton (\$59,797)\*
- Laurel (\$160,157)
- Magoffin (\$106,000)
- McLean (\$40,000)
- Meade (\$13,620)\*
- Nelson (\$125,881)
- Taylor (\$104,000)\*
- Whitley (\$32,726)

## **Deceased Farm Animal Removal (DAR)**

The Deceased Farm Animal Removal Program serves as a measure to facilitate the coordination of environmentally sound and cost-effective disposal of deceased livestock for Kentucky producers.

Two Deceased Farm Animal Removal programs were approved by the board totaling \$22,000:

- Nelson (\$7,500)
- Taylor (\$14,500)

<sup>\*</sup>Existing programs receiving additional funding.

NextGen addresses the growing need for a specialized program that would benefit producers ages 18 to 40 that have been engaged in an agricultural operation for a minimum of three years.

One NextGen Program was approved by the board totaling \$25,000:

• Nelson (\$25,000)

#### Youth Agricultural Incentives Program (Youth)

The Youth program encourages youth to engage in and explore agricultural opportunities.

Two Youth programs were approved by the board totaling \$45,000:

- Clark (\$40,000)
- McLean (\$5,000)

All application periods and deadlines for CAIP, NextGen and Youth and leasing information for Shared-Use programs will be advertised locally.

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