



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



July 12, 2024

Meeting of the
Kentucky Agricultural
Finance Corporation Board

July 19, 2024

Meeting of the
Kentucky Agricultural Development
Board



Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation 2024/2025 12-Month Board Meeting Schedule

Updated June 2024

Note: Locations are subject to change

Month	KAFAC Board Meeting	Location	Application Deadline
July	Friday, July 12, 2024	Kentucky State University- Frankfort, KY	Friday, June 21, 2024
August	Friday, August 9, 2024	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, July 19, 2024
September	Friday, September 13, 2024	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, August 23, 2024
October	Joint Meeting-Thursday, October 10, 2024 (NCOSAPP)	TBD	Friday, September 20, 2024
November	Friday, November 14, 2024	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, October 18, 2024
December	Friday, December 13, 2024	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, November 15, 2024
January	Friday, January 10, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, December 20, 2024
February	Friday, February 14, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, January 24, 2025
March	Friday, March 14, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, February 21, 2025
April	Friday, April 11, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, March 21, 2025
May	Friday, May 16, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, April 18, 2025
June	Friday, June 13, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, May 23, 2025
July	Friday, July 11, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office- Frankfort, KY	Friday, June 20, 2025



July Approved Loans

Program	County	Enterprise	Amount Approved	Total Project Cost	Lender
Ag Infrastructure	Allen	Poultry	\$250,000.00	\$2,000,000.00	Farm Credit Mid-America
Ag Infrastructure	Green	Poultry	\$250,000.00	\$525,000.00	Farm Credit Mid-America
Ag Infrastructure	Allen	Poultry	\$45,614.00	\$2,026,500.00	Farm Credit Mid-America
Ag Infrastructure	Breckinridge	Poultry	\$141,863.00	\$400,000.00	Farm Credit Mid-America
Ag Infrastructure	Breckinridge	Poultry	\$130,313.00	\$400,000.00	Farm Credit Mid-America
Beginning Farmer	Anderson	Beef	\$194,225.00	\$450,000.00	Farm Credit Mid-America
Beginning Farmer	Meade	Beef	\$22,000.00	\$37,400.00	The Cecilian Bank
Beginning Farmer	Taylor	Poultry	\$250,000.00	\$2,370,000.00	First Financial Bank
Beginning Farmer	Grayson	Poultry	\$200,000.00	\$865,000.00	Magnolia Bank
Beginning Farmer	Union	Grain	\$106,250.00	\$258,050.00	Farm Credit Mid-America
Total			\$1,590,265.00	\$9,331,950.00	

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Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corp. approves \$1,590,265 in loans

Financing bolsters beef, forage, poultry, and grain farmers across the Commonwealth

FRANKFORT, Ky. (July 12, 2024) – The Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corp. (KAFC) approved \$1,590,265 for 10 agricultural loans for projects across the Commonwealth at its monthly board meeting.

Agricultural Infrastructure Loan Program (AILP)

Five Agricultural Infrastructure loans totaling \$817,790 were approved. Loan recipients were in Allen (\$45,614 and \$250,000), Breckinridge (\$130,313 and \$141,863), and Green (\$250,000) counties. KAFC participates with lenders to provide financing to producers making capital expenditures for agricultural projects through the AILP. Eligible projects include permanent farm structures with attached equipment that improves the profitability of farming operations. Producers may be eligible for up to \$150,000 not to exceed 50 percent of the project.

Beginning Farmer Loan Program (BFLP)

Five Beginning Farmer loans totaling up to \$772,475 were approved. Loan recipients were in Anderson (\$194,225), Grayson (\$200,000), Meade (\$22,000), Taylor (\$250,000), and Union (\$106,250) counties. The BFLP is designed to assist individuals with some farming experience who desire to develop, expand, or buy into a farming operation. Beginning farmers may qualify for financing to purchase livestock, equipment, or agriculture facilities; to secure permanent working capital; for the purchase of farm real estate; or to invest in a partnership or LLC.

For more information on the programs offered by the KAFC, contact Bill McCloskey at Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy at (502) 382-6093 or email kafc@ky.gov.

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The Kentucky Office of Agricultural Policy (KOAP), a division within the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, provides staff support to the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation (KAFC) and the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund (KADF). The KADF is administered by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board. KOAP ensures Kentucky is being good stewards of dollars from the 1998 Tobacco Settlement Agreement by overseeing the boards' investments into diversifying and supporting Kentucky agriculture.



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Kentucky Agricultural Development Board 2024/2025 12-Month Board Meeting Schedule

Updated June 2024

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Month	KADB Meeting	Location	Application Deadline
July	Friday, July 19, 2024	Kentucky State University-Frankfort, KY	Friday, June 28, 2024
August	Friday, August 16, 2024	Kentucky State Fair-Louisville, KY	Friday, July 26, 2024
September	Friday, September 20, 2024	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, August 30, 2024
October	Joint Session-Thursday, October 10, 2024 (NCOSAFP)	TBD	Friday, September 20, 2024
November	Friday, November 15, 2024	North American Livestock Show-Louisville, KY	Friday, October 25, 2024
December	Friday, December 20, 2024	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, December 2, 2024
January	Friday, January 17, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, December 27, 2024
February	Friday, February 21, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, January 31, 2025
March	Friday, March 21, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, February 28, 2025
April	Friday, April 18, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, March 28, 2025
May	Friday, May 16, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, April 25, 2025
June	Friday, June 20, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, May 30, 2025
July	Friday, July 18, 2025	Franklin County Extension Office-Frankfort, KY	Friday, June 27, 2025

Programs Recommended for Approval

CAIP

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2024-0170	Hancock County Conservation District	Hancock	\$102,472.00
A2024-0172	Taylor County Cattlemen's Association, Inc.	Taylor	\$100,000.00
A2024-0177	Boyle County Conservation District	Boyle	\$115,000.00
A2024-0178	McCreary County Farm Bureau of McCreary County, Kentucky	McCreary*	\$30,123.00
A2024-0179	Nicholas County Conservation District	Nicholas	\$217,931.00
A2024-0181	Barren County Conservation District	Barren	\$278,156.00
A2024-0182	Edmonson Co Cattleman Association Inc.	Edmonson	\$75,000.00
A2024-0185	Carter County Conservation District	Carter	\$126,775.00
A2024-0186	Calloway County Agricultural Development Fund LLC	Calloway*	\$109,385.00
A2024-0187	Metcalfe County Conservation District	Metcalfe	\$254,000.00
A2024-0188	Marshall County Conservation District	Marshall*	\$53,865.00
A2024-0189	Graves County Conservation District	Hickman*	\$30,999.00
A2024-0193	Hardin County Conservation District	Hardin	\$150,000.00
A2024-0194	Elliott County Conservation District	Elliott	\$164,244.00
			\$1,807,950.00

Deceased Farm Animal Removal (DAR)

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2024-0174	Taylor County Conservation District	Taylor	\$15,000.00
A2024-0176	Boyle County Conservation District	Boyle	\$15,000.00
A2024-0191	Marion County Fiscal Court	Marion	\$15,000.00
			\$45,000.00

Shared-Use Equipment Program

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2024-0190	Marion County Conservation District	Marion	\$5,588.00
			\$5,588.00

* Indicates a portion of the project is funded from the "State Funds To Support to Counties with Limited Allocation initiative."

Programs Recommended for Approval

Youth Ag Incentives Program (Youth)

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2024-0173	Taylor County Cattlemen's Association, Inc.	Taylor	\$15,000.00
A2024-0180	Nicholas County Conservation District	Nicholas	\$20,000.00
A2024-0183	4-H Clubs & Affiliated Organizations	Edmonson	\$13,115.00
			\$48,115.00

Total County Funds Recommended for Approval in Programs: **\$1,906,653.00**

* Indicates a portion of the project is funded from the "State Funds To Support to Counties with Limited Allocation initiative."

App # A2024-0077
Applicant Name Green County Cattlemen’s Association, Inc.
Original Amount Approved \$249,376
Execution Date 05/09/2024
Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$261,079 in Green 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 \$510,455.

Recommend Approval

App # A2024-0112
Applicant Name Clark County Conservation District
Original Amount Approved \$105,000
Execution Date 05/29/2024
Requested Change The applicant requests an additional \$45,000 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 \$150,000.

Recommend Approval

On-Farm Energy Programs Recommended for Approval

APP #	APPLICANT	COUNTY	Funds Requested
A2023-0286	Sumner Dairy LLC <i>On-Farm Energy Dairy</i>	Warren	\$3,524.00
A2024-0067	Merit Farms of Kansas, Inc. <i>On-Farm Energy Poultry</i>	Monroe	\$10,000.00
A2024-0109	Roger Smith <i>On-Farm Energy Poultry</i>	Monroe	\$4,313.00
A2024-0124	Edge Brothers Poultry, LLC <i>On-Farm Energy Poultry</i>	Daviess	\$3,118.00
A2024-0129	Compton Dairy <i>On-Farm Energy Dairy</i>	Adair	\$6,578.00
A2024-0130	End of the Road Farm <i>On-Farm Energy Horticulture</i>	Rockcastle	\$8,072.00
A2024-0131	Gallrein Farms Shelby County LLC <i>On-Farm Energy Horticulture</i>	Shelby	\$10,300.00
A2024-0132	Angel Farms <i>On-Farm Energy Livestock</i>	Whitley	\$1,334.00
A2024-0135	Thomas Fulkerson <i>On-Farm Energy Livestock</i>	Hancock	\$10,300.00
A2024-0136	Justin T. Obenchain <i>On-Farm Energy Grain</i>	Hancock	\$10,300.00
Total State Funds Recommended for Approval in Program			\$67,839.00

**On-Farm Energy Program
Summaries**

A2023-0286 Sumner Dairy LLC

Application County: Warren

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY
FUNDING REQUEST \$3,524

TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$6,747

SUMMARY
Install a hot water heater for a dairy operation.

A2024-0067 Merit Farms of Kansas, Inc.

Application County: Monroe

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY
FUNDING REQUEST \$10,000

TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$44,080

SUMMARY
Install heaters for a poultry operation.

**On-Farm Energy Program
Summaries**

A2024-0109 Roger Smith

Application County: Monroe

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY
FUNDING REQUEST \$4,313

TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$8,025

SUMMARY
Install fans for a poultry operation.

A2024-0124 Edge Brothers Poultry, LLC

Application County: Daviess

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY
FUNDING REQUEST \$3,118

TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$5,636

SUMMARY
Install fans for a poultry operation.

**On-Farm Energy Program
Summaries**

A2024-0129 Compton Dairy

Application County: Adair

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY
FUNDING REQUEST \$6,578

TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$12,556

SUMMARY
Install an air compressor for a dairy operation.

A2024-0130 End of the Road Farm

Application County: Rockcastle

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY
FUNDING REQUEST \$8,072

TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$15,543

SUMMARY
Install solar panels for a horticulture operation.

**On-Farm Energy Program
Summaries**

A2024-0131 Gallrein Farms Shelby County LLC

Application County: Shelby

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY
FUNDING REQUEST \$10,300

TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$223,557

SUMMARY
Install solar panels for a horticulture operation.

A2024-0132 Angel Farms

Application County: Whitley

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY
FUNDING REQUEST \$1,334

TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$2,068

SUMMARY
Install lighting for a beef operation.

**On-Farm Energy Program
Summaries**

A2024-0135 Thomas Fulkerson

Application County: Hancock

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY

FUNDING REQUEST \$10,300

TOTAL PROJECT COST

\$21,208

SUMMARY

Install solar panels for a beef operation.

A2024-0136 Justin T. Obenchain

Application County: Hancock

Project Summary:

PROJECT SUMMARY

FUNDING REQUEST \$10,300

TOTAL PROJECT COST

\$36,288

SUMMARY

Install solar panels for a grain operation.

Approved Project

Clark County Fiscal Court**A2024-0115***Application County: Clark**Date Submitted: 04/24/2024**Total Funds Awarded: \$7,250***FUNDING REQUEST**

Clark County Fiscal Court is requesting \$7,250 in Clark County funds to make upgrades to the county's dead animal composting facility.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

The Clark County Compost Facility came online in April of 2021, to compost animals picked up in the county's free Deceased Farm Animal Removal (DAR) program. The facility is in full operation, processing more than 1200 farm animals a year and generating more than 500 tons of viable soil amendment that is used all over the state.

KADB funds will be used to install electrical service at the facility and construct a small office structure .

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$14,500 with the following funding sources:

\$7,250 KADB Clark County Funds

\$10,000+ General Fund line-item Clark Co Fiscal Court (Secured)

PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant states that over 200 farms or individuals will benefit from this project.

Board Decision:

07/19/2024: Clark County Fiscal Court was approved up to \$7,250 in Clark County funds to make upgrades to the county's dead animal composting facility.

Approved Project

Grayson County Extension District Board**A2024-0141***Application County: Grayson**Date Submitted: 05/15/2024**Total Funds Awarded: \$1,000***FUNDING REQUEST**

The Grayson County Extension District Board is requesting \$1,000 in Grayson County funds to have a Poultry Specialist from the University of Georgia visit local farms and host a hot weather workshop.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

Funding will be used to bring a Poultry Ventilation Specialist from the University of Georgia for a 3-day event for poultry producers, ANR Agents, and Flock Advisors. The Specialist will visit 4 farms in Grayson County and 4 farms in McClean County. The event will also include a Hot Weather workshop in Ohio County with information on ventilation and litter management. The applicant states that 14 counties will be invited to the event. The applicant is collaborating with McClean County on this project. However, the applicant is only requesting funding for Grayson County's portion of the event.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$2,000 with funding from the following sources:

\$1,000 Grayson County Extension Service

\$1,000 Grayson Co. Funds

PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant states that at least four farms will be directly impacted. The event will also educate ANR Agents, Flock Advisors and other poultry producers. The applicant anticipates 150-175 attendees.

Board Decision:

07/19/2024: Grayson County Extension District Board was approved up to \$1,000 in Grayson County funds to have a poultry specialist from the University of Georgia visit local farms and host a hot weather workshop.

Approved Project

McLean County Extension District Board**A2024-0146***Application County: McLean**Date Submitted: 05/17/2024**Total Funds Awarded: \$3,000***FUNDING REQUEST**

McLean County Extension District Board is requesting \$3,000 in McLean County funds to support the cost of hosting a poultry ventilation specialist from the University of Georgia to make farm visits and provide an ANR Agent / Flock Advisor training.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant states that this project will bring a ventilation specialist from the University of Georgia to Kentucky during June to participate on farm visits. This specialist will help evaluate poultry operations and work through the different issues that they may experience throughout the year. The farm visits are an outreach tool for the McLean County Extension Service to directly assist poultry producers with updated information on bird health and barn issues. Both Tyson and Perdue will be involved in helping the applicant and specialist host an ANR UK agent /Flock advisor training with producers. A similar application submitted by Grayson County Extension Board has been submitted , however, the applicant has expressed these are two separate applications. Grayson County plans on hosting one of the University of Georgia speakers in their county and will use only Grayson County Agricultural Development Funds and a match from Grayson County Extension Board.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$6,750 with funding from the following sources:

\$3,000 KADF McLean County Funds (Secured)

\$3,000 District Board Program Support Funds (Secured)

\$750 Sponsors (Pending)

PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant indicates that approximately 100-125 producers from 12 counties may be impacted over 4 farm visits and a workshop presentation.

Board Decision:

07/19/2024: McLean County Extension District Board was approved up to \$3,000 in McLean County funds to support the cost of hosting a poultry ventilation specialist from the University of Georgia to make farm visits and provide an ANR Agent/ Flock Advisor training.

Approved Project

Orlinda Melon Company**A2024-0163***Application County: Simpson**Date Submitted: 05/24/2024**Total Funds Awarded: \$84,968***FUNDING REQUEST**

Orlinda Melon Company is requesting \$2,968 in Simpson County funds and \$82,000 in State funds for the purchase and installation of a 38' x 38' cooler for produce.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant plans to install the produce cooler at their packing shed. This will give them a way to store their produce longer and get it to the grocery chain distribution centers. It will also allow them to further diversify their business to include other crops that require refrigeration such as cucumbers and eggplant. The applicant currently grows approximately 250 acres of watermelons and 160 acres of pumpkins in Simpson County.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$169,936 with the following funding sources:

\$2,968 KADB Simpson County Funds (Secured)

\$82,000 KADB State Funds (Requested)

\$84,968 Company Equity - cash on hand (Secured)

PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant states that the Jepson family and the Pearson family will benefit directly from the project in the first year.

Site visit of packing shed conducted on 5/28 by Becca Besok.

Board Decision:

07/19/2024: Orlinda Melon Company was approved multi-county funds matched by state funds with an option of a KADF participation loan, not to exceed a total amount of \$84,968. This project will go toward the purchase and installation of a 38 foot x 38 foot cooler for produce.

Approved Project

City of Glasgow

A2024-0167

Application County: Barren

Date Submitted: 05/29/2024

Total Funds Awarded: \$375,000

FUNDING REQUEST

City of Glasgow is requesting \$70,000 in Barren County funds and \$305,000 in State funds for the construction of a new farmer's market.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant plans to construct a permanent home for their farmer's market.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$750,000 with the following funding sources:

\$70,000 KADB Barren County Funds (Requested)

\$305,000 KADB State Funds (Requested)

\$375,000 City of Glasgow (Secured)

PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant states that 36 farm families would be impacted immediately by the project.

Board Decision:

07/19/2024: City of Glasgow was approved up to \$375,000 in multi-county and state funds to support the construction of a new farmers' market.

Approved Project

Kentucky Small Animal Reproduction Center**A2024-0168***Application County: Henry**Date Submitted: 05/29/2024**Total Funds Awarded: \$10,000***FUNDING REQUEST**

Kentucky Small Animal Reproduction Center is requesting \$25,959 in State funds for the construction of a small ruminant AI and ET host site.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

The applicant plans to construct an AI facility catered to small ruminants. The center will provide climate-controlled conditions and coordinate AI and ET work for groups of producers. It will enable producers across the state to access nationally recognized AI and ET providers.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$51,918 with the following funding sources:

\$25,959 KADB State Funds (Requested)

\$13,000 Ag Credit Loan (Secured)

\$12,959 Personal Savings

PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant states that approximately 32 producers will benefit from the project.

Board Decision:

07/19/2024: Kentucky Small Animal Reproduction Center was approved multi-county funds matched by state funds with an option of a KADF participation loan, not to exceed a total amount of \$25,959. This project would support the construction of a small ruminant artificial insemination and embryo transfer host site.

Approved Project

Loretto Grain LLC**A2024-0169***Application County: Boyle**Date Submitted: 05/31/2024**Total Funds Awarded: \$750,000***FUNDING REQUEST**

Loretto Grain, LLC is requesting \$1,000,000 as a KADB participation loan to add additional grain storage at the Danville grain elevator facility.

APPLICATION SUMMARY

Funding will be used to build additional grain bins at the Danville grain elevator. The expansion will increase the storage capacity for grain. The applicant states that the Danville grain elevator allows local growers the opportunity to merchandise grain and reduce the time and money spent traveling while offering competitive basis for grain. The Danville grain elevator opened in October 2023 with the initial storage capacity of 640K bushels, which was filled by mid-December. To date, 720K bushels have been taken in at the Danville location. The applicant states that to date, twelve new customers were added between the freeing of space at their Loretto location and the new facility in Danville.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,551,160 with funding from the following sources:

\$ 1,000,000 KADB Participation Loan

\$ 551,160 Combination of Loan and Cash

PROJECTED PRODUCER IMPACT

The applicant estimates that fifteen farm families will be directly impacted by this expansion.

Board Decision:

07/19/2024: Loretto Grain, LLC was approved up to \$750,000 in the form of a KADF participation loan to add additional grain storage at the Danville grain elevator facility.

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Kentucky Agricultural Development Board approves more than \$3.5 million for projects across the Commonwealth

Funded projects focus on agricultural diversification, rural development

FRANKFORT (July 19, 2024) – The Kentucky Agricultural Development Board approved \$3,527,748 for agricultural diversification and rural development projects across the Commonwealth at its monthly board meeting.

“Today’s grant approvals will serve to enhance tomorrow’s agricultural success,” said Commissioner of Agriculture and board chair Jonathan Shell. “The grant projects approved by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board provide opportunities for change and growth, opportunities that allow recipients to develop a greater future for our agricultural community.”

County and State Funded Projects

- City of Glasgow was approved up to \$375,000 in Barren County and state funds to support the construction of a new farmers' market. For more information, contact April Russell at grants@glasgow-ky.com.

- Clark County Fiscal Court was approved up to \$7,250 in Clark County funds to make upgrades to the county's dead animal composting facility. For more information, contact Allan Curtis at ccfcroaddedpt@clarkcoky.com.
- Grayson County Extension District Board was approved up to \$1,000 in Grayson County funds to have a poultry specialist from the University of Georgia visit local farms and host a hot weather workshop. For more information, contact Whitney Carman at whitney.carman@ky.edu.
- Kentucky Small Animal Reproduction Center was approved multi-county funds matched by state funds with an option of a KADF participation loan, not to exceed a total amount of \$25,959. This project would support the construction of a small ruminant artificial insemination and embryo transfer host site. For more information, contact Catherine Riley at cmrile4@gmail.com.
- Loretto Grain, LLC was approved up to \$750,000 in the form of a KADF participation loan to add additional grain storage at the Danville grain elevator facility. For more information, contact Albert Peterson at albert@peterson-farms.com.
- McLean County Extension District Board was approved up to \$3,000 in McLean County funds to support the cost of hosting a poultry ventilation specialist from the University of Georgia to make farm visits and provide an ANR Agent/ Flock Advisor training. For more information, contact David Fourqorean at dfour2@uky.edu.
- Orlinda Melon Company was approved multi-county funds matched by state funds with an option of a KADF participation loan, not to exceed a total amount of \$84,968. This project will go toward the purchase and installation of a 38 foot x 38 foot cooler for produce. For more information, contact Willias Jepson at orlindameloncompany@gmail.com.

State Program

On-Farm Energy Efficiency Incentives Program

The On-Farm Energy Efficiency Incentives Program provides incentives for Kentucky farm families to increase the energy efficiency of existing equipment or facilities on the farm.

Ten On-Farm Energy Efficiency Incentives Programs were approved by the board totaling \$67,839:

- Adair (\$6,578)
- Daviess (\$3,118)
- Hancock (\$10,300)
- Hancock (\$10,300)
- Monroe (\$4,313)
- Monroe (\$10,000)
- Rockcastle (\$8,072)
- Shelby (\$10,300)
- Warren (\$3,524)
- Whitley (\$1,334)

County Programs

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, beef and dairy cattle; farm infrastructure, fencing, and water enhancement; equine; forage; goats and sheep; horticulture; poultry; swine; bees and honey; timber and technology, as well as energy efficiency and production; marketing; and value-added production.

Sixteen CAIPs were approved by the board in the following counties totaling \$2,114,029:

- Barren (\$278,156)
- Boyle (\$115,000)
- Calloway (\$109,385)
- Carter (\$126,775)
- Clark (\$45,000)*
- Edmonson (\$75,000)
- Elliott (\$164,244)
- Green (\$261,079)*

- Hancock (\$102,472)
- Hardin (\$150,000)
- Hickman (\$30,999)
- Marshall (\$53,865)
- McCreary (\$30,123)
- Metcalfe (\$254,000)
- Nicholas (\$217,931)
- Taylor (\$100,000)

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.

Three DARs were approved by the board in the following counties totaling \$45,000:

- Boyle (\$15,000)
- Marion (\$15,000)
- Taylor (\$15,000)

Shared-Use Equipment Program

The Shared-Use Equipment Program assists broad-based community organizations with the purchase of farm equipment. The equipment purchased is made available for producer use in a specific county on a leased basis.

A Shared-Use Equipment Program in Marion County was approved by the board totaling \$5,588.

Youth Agricultural Incentives Program (YAIP)

YAIP encourages youth to engage in and explore agricultural opportunities.

Three YAIPs in were approved by the board in the following counties totaling \$48,115:

- Edmonson (\$13,115)
- Nicholas (\$20,000)
- Taylor (\$15,000)

All application periods and deadlines for CAIP and YAIP will be advertised locally.

*Existing programs receiving additional funding.

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