March 18th, 2022

Alternative Manure Management Program (AMMP) Now Accepting Applications!

The Alternative Manure Management Program gives grants up to \$750,000 to California dairy and livestock producers to implement technologies and specific manure management practices. To be eligible, the current baseline practices must include the anaerobic decomposition of volatile solids stored in a lagoon or other predominantly liquid anaerobic environment.

As of March 10th 2022, the California Department of Food and Agriculture is now accepting grant applications. Check out https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/AMMP/ for more information on the program and how to apply.

CDFA will accept applications on a first-come, first-served basis until May 9th 2022.



CDFA Informational Workshops

CDFA will host a no-cost webinar workshop to provide information on program requirements and the application process. Participants can attend remotely by registering for webinar access:

Friday, March 25, 2022
 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM PT
 Registration link:
 https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_RtH353wmR3agCrzIh1jA8w



Application Assistance / Asistencia para solicitudes

Please contact UC Cooperative Extension specialist Maria Ridoutt at mridoutt@ucanr.edu or 661-868-6205 for questions or help with the application. Asistencia en español disponible.

Details

- CDFA will fund up to 100% of the total project cost with a maximum grant award of \$750,000 per project. Matching funds are strongly encouraged
- The maximum project term is two (2) years.
- Grant funds cannot be expended before January 1, 2023 or after December 31, 2024.
- CDFA may offer an award different than the amount requested.
- An applicant may submit multiple grant applications; however, each grant application must represent an individual project at a unique project site.

Eligible practices

Each AMMP project requesting funding must include at least one of the following project components that reduce baseline methane emissions.

- 1. Pasture-based management including:
 - (i) conversion of a non-pasture dairy or livestock operation to pasture-based management (ii) increasing the amount of time livestock spend at pasture.
- 2. Alternative manure treatment and storage practices including:
 - a) Installation of a compost bedded pack barn that composts manure in situ.
 - b) Installation of slatted floor pit storage manure collection.
- 3. Solid separation of manure solids prior to entry into a wet/anaerobic environment in conjunction with one of the manure treatment and/or storage practices listed below.
- 4. Conversion from a flush to scrape manure collection system in conjunction with one of the manure treatment and/or storage practices listed below.

Manure Treatment and/or Storage Practices include: Open solar drying, closed solar drying, forced evaporation, daily spread, solid storage, composting in vessel, aerated static pile, intensive windrows or passive windrows.