



## 2025 APPROVED GUIDELINE REVISIONS

The following are changes approved at the November 15, 2024, meeting of the KADB, which go into effect 1/1/2025.

### KADB Funding Policies & Procedures:

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**Revised I.B.3.** to read “Expiration – All applications that have not received action from the KADB will expire **three months** from the date of receipt by the KOAP.”

**Revised I.C.3.** to read “Recipients of Agricultural Development Funds shall sign and return their legal agreement with the KADB within **thirty days** of the date they are mailed from KOAP. If this requirement is not met, then funding commitments are void and must be resubmitted to the KADB, **unless an extension is approved by the Executive Director.**”

**Reauthorized** the State Support to Limited Allocation Counties (SSLAC) initiative for 2025 – 2028: SSLAC 2025, 2026, 2027, and 2028 will provide state funds to counties with allocations below \$30,000, based on 2025, 2026, 2027, and 2028 county allocations. The counties may use the funding for any project/program in line with the County’s Comprehensive Plan for Agricultural Development. Counties receiving SSLAC will be able to roll over any remaining funds for continued investment. The total state funds invested would be up to \$600,000.

## Projects & State Programs

### Food Safety and Efficiency Incentives:

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#### GUIDELINES:

Reauthorized for 2025. No changes.

### Large and Food Animal Veterinary Incentives:

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#### GUIDELINES:

Reauthorized for 2025. No changes.

### On-Farm Energy Efficiency Incentives:

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*This section applies **ONLY** to the state energy program. It is not relevant to the CAIP energy investment area.*

#### GUIDELINES:

Reauthorized for 2025

**Revised** submission deadlines: April 25, 2025; August 29, 2025; December 19, 2025

### Project Guidelines:

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**Farmers Markets** – Reauthorized for 2025

**Clarified** funding limit to \$250,000 in state funds as a lifetime limit retroactive to 2001

**Meat Processors** – Reauthorized for 2025. No changes.

## County Programs

### Deceased Farm Animal Removal (DAR):

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Reauthorized for 2025. No changes.

### Next Generation Beginning Farmer (NextGen):

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Reauthorized for 2025

**Revised** the limit for administrative expenses to 6%

**Added** new question as Question 13, adjusting numbering accordingly:

“Do you currently use any of the following tools to mitigate financial risk for your farming operation?  
(Circle all that apply)

Futures/Forward Contracting; Livestock Risk Protection (LRP) Insurance; Pasture, Rangeland,  
Forage (PRF) Insurance; Dairy Margin Coverage (DMC) Program; Crop Insurance; Enterprise Specific  
Insurance; Other\* Specify\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Administrator may request verification of policy, etc.”

(2) Yes (0) No

### Shared-Use Equipment:

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Reauthorized for 2025. No changes.

### Youth Agricultural Incentives Program:

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#### STANDARD GUIDELINES:

Reauthorized for 2025

**Revised** the limit for administrative expenses to 6%

**Added** the following language to B. Student Eligibility, adjusting numbering accordingly:

“5. The overall intention of YAIP is to benefit students in agriculture, and therefore the student must have an obvious role in the project’s implementation (feeding, building, maintenance, etc.), and they must directly benefit from the program educationally, financially, or otherwise.”

### County Agricultural Investment Program (CAIP):

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#### STANDARD GUIDELINES:

Reauthorized for 2025

**Revised** the program name to the County Agricultural **Incentives** Program

**Revised** the limit for administrative expenses to 6%

#### PRODUCER APPLICATION:

**Added** new question as Question 14, adjusting numbering accordingly:

“Do you currently use any of the following tools to mitigate financial risk for your farming operation?  
(Circle all that apply)

Futures/Forward Contracting; Livestock Risk Protection (LRP) Insurance; Pasture, Rangeland,  
Forage (PRF) Insurance; Dairy Margin Coverage (DMC) Program; Crop Insurance; Enterprise Specific  
Insurance; Other\* Specify\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Administrator may request verification of policy, etc.”

(2) Yes (0) No

**CAIP INVESTMENT AREAS:**

**AgTech & Leadership Development:**

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**C. Farm Safety:**

**Added** metatarsal guards

**D. Computer Hardware and Record**

**Management Software:**

**Removed** Hardware: laptop, personal computer, tablet, or other hardware upgrades, including printers and scanners

**Revised** 3. to read “The cost of participation in the Kentucky Farm Business Analysis Program 50%”

**Revised** 4. to read “The cost of membership in a producer-owned marketing cooperative 50%”

**F. Leadership Development:**

**Revised** to read “The cost of tuition for one adult leadership program, up to a maximum of \$1,000 25%”

**Animal, Large:**

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**A. Cattle – Beef & Dairy:**

**Removed** Heifer Acceptable bull category

**Added** Maternity monitoring systems (including alerts, camera, and contracted installation services) at 50% cost-reimbursement

**Removed** Vaccines

**Removed** Biosecurity signage

**B. Equine:**

**Removed** Vaccines

**Removed** Biosecurity signage

**Animal, Small:**

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**A. Goat, Sheep Production:**

**Added** Maternity monitoring systems (including alerts, camera, and contracted installation services) at 50% cost-reimbursement

**Removed** Vaccines

**Removed** Biosecurity signage

**C. Bees:**

**Added** Maternity monitoring systems (including alerts, camera, and contracted installation services) at 50% cost-reimbursement

**Removed** Approved medications

**B. Swine Production:**

**Added** Maternity monitoring systems (including alerts, camera, and contracted installation services) at 50% cost-reimbursement

**Removed** Vaccines

**Removed** Biosecurity signage

**D. Rabbits:**

**Added** Maternity monitoring systems (including alerts, camera, and contracted installation services) at 50% cost-reimbursement

**Removed** Vaccines

**Removed** Biosecurity signage

**Forage and Grain Improvement:**

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**Revised** Bale wrappers/forage baggers cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** Hay tedder cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

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**Farm Infrastructure:**

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**Added** liquid tanks for feed storage at 50% cost-reimbursement

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**Poultry & Other Fowl:**

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**Added** Maternity monitoring systems (including alerts, camera, and contracted installation services) at 50% cost-reimbursement

**Removed** Biosecurity signage

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**Value-Added & Marketing:**

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**B. Agritourism Development:**

**Revised** 1. Conversion of existing farm structures into appropriate facilities for agritourism cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 2. Construction, including site preparation, of new on-farm facilities for agritourism cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 3. Site preparation for items that ensure consumer safety – including parking areas, grading, traffic flow, sidewalks, and establishing walkways cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**C. Certified/Commercial Kitchen Construction or Renovation:**

**Revised** 1. Conversion of existing farm structures into appropriate facilities for certified/commercial kitchen cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 2. Construction, including site preparation, of new on-farm facilities for certified/commercial kitchen cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 3. Construction materials to install the appropriate grade of washable ceiling tiles, flooring, and wall covering cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 4. Materials for the installation of water lines, gas lines, and drainage lines from existing lines cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 5. Materials to install any necessary hand or mop sinks cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 6. Materials to install appropriate lighting cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 8. to read “The cost of attending a training program required by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services under KRS 217.136 for home processing and micro-processing of food products or training required to become a commercial processor. (GAP training is eligible) 50%”

**D. Marketing & Promotion:**

**Revised** 3.a. Construction of new permanent structures or conversion of existing structures to be used for retail sale of product cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 3.b. Site preparation including on-site utility extensions and officially permitted on-site waste treatment facilities cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**E. Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) & Food Safety:**

**Revised** 1. Conversion of existing farm structure into appropriate facilities for washing, handling, and storing produce (e.g. enclosing packing houses, installing concrete floors) cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 2. Construction, including site preparation of new on-farm facilities for produce washing, handling, and storage cost-reimbursement percent to 50%

**Revised** 3. Materials to install or upgrade infrastructure related to worker hygiene and wildlife exclusion to ensure Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) or GAP compliance (e.g. sinks, hand-washing stations, portables, fencing, deterrent equipment) cost-reimbursement percent to 50%