



Growing Forward 2

A federal-provincial-territorial initiative

Programs for Alberta Farmers, Ranchers, and Producers

Advancing Innovation.

Agri-Processing Automation and Efficiency - Crop

This program helps processors and crop producers invest in new processing equipment and adopt improved processes and best practices, allowing the industry to increase its capacity, competitiveness and profitability.

Agri-Processing Automation and Efficiency - Livestock

This program helps meat processors and livestock producers invest in new processing equipment and adopt improved processes and best practices, allowing the meat industry to increase its capacity, competitiveness and profitability.

Agri-Processing Product and Market Development - Crop

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Agricultural Watershed Enhancement

This program facilitates the delivery of targeted, comprehensive extension programs, increased uptake of wetland restoration and riparian health beneficial management practices (BMPs), and realize significant and measureable changes within high risk watershed areas, focused on addressing water quality issues. The program will encourage watershed groups, municipalities, and/or industry organizations to develop implementation plans targeting the adoption of BMPs related to surface water quality by producers in high risk areas.



Confined Feeding Operation Stewardship

This program helps Alberta livestock operations assess their potential risk to water quality and implement management practices or make infrastructure improvements that positively influence water quality.

On-Farm Energy Management

This program shares the cost of investments that improve energy efficiency on Alberta farms. This enables producers to conserve energy and reduce carbon emissions, ultimately reducing the environmental footprint of Alberta's agriculture industry.

On-Farm Stewardship

This Program funds projects that help livestock and crop producers implement on-farm management practices in five areas that positively impact water quality.

Building Capacity. Adapting for the Future.

Business Management Skills Development

The purpose of this program is to help Alberta's new or established producers, agri-processing companies and producer groups improve their business management skills, enhancing the industry's competitiveness and sustainability.

Business Opportunity

The purpose of the program is to help Alberta's new or established producers, agri-processing companies and producer groups enhance their competitiveness and growth prospects by connecting them with expert business advice.

Irrigation Efficiency

This program helps producers invest in new or upgraded low-pressure centre pivot (LPCP) irrigation equipment for their operations, improving the efficiency of energy and water use on Alberta farms.

On-Farm Water Management

This program provides technical assistance to agricultural producers to complete a Long-Term Water Management Plan (LTWMP), and shares the cost of related enhancements of their on-farm water supply management. To be eligible for funding, projects must be identified in a LTWMP approved by an ARD Water Specialist prior to starting the project.

Growing Markets. Strengthening Competitiveness.

Animal Health Biosecurity Producer

This program helps Alberta producers assess, determine and reduce biosecurity risks for disease in their operations through the implementation of robust biosecurity practices.

Food Safety Systems Producer

This program helps producers invest in equipment and tracking systems to improve On-Farm Food Safety practices, enhancing producers' business competitiveness and food safety performance.

Livestock Welfare Producer

This program helps livestock producers to adopt production practices that enhance humane animal care, enabling the livestock industry to meet emerging consumer expectations for the care and handling of livestock, thereby allowing Alberta's livestock industry to increase its competitiveness and sustainability.

Plant Health and Biosecurity

This program helps producers develop their own risk assessments and adopt improved biosecurity practices to reduce the potential for the introduction and spread of pests, allowing the industry to increase its capacity, competitiveness and sustainability.

Traceability Pilot

This program helps producers, agribusinesses and non-profit organizations evaluate and recommend ideal traceability technologies that are practical and cost effective.

Traceability Technology Adoption

This program helps producers implement traceability technologies in their operations. The adoption of practical, cost effective traceability technologies will enhance the integrity of Alberta's traceability system for animal health, public health and food safety purposes.



For more information on Alberta's *Growing Forward 2* programs visit our website at www.growingforward.alberta.ca or call 310-FARM (3276).

