



# Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership

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RESILIENT AGRICULTURAL  
LANDSCAPES PROGRAM (RALP)

## Intensive Livestock Management BMP

### Run-off Control Stream

The Intensive Livestock Management Beneficial Management Practices (BMPs) seek to protect or improve surface water and groundwater resources by mitigating environmental impacts from intensive livestock operations.

Funding for run-off control assists livestock producers to protect surface and groundwater quality and reduce erosion by addressing uncontrolled run-off passing through farmyards and livestock facilities.

#### FUNDING LEVEL

70 per cent of eligible costs to a combined maximum payment of \$200,000 for all projects completed under the Intensive Livestock Management suite of BMPs.

#### APPLICATION TYPE

Applicants must work through a Ministry of Agriculture regional engineer to have their projects pre-approved. Please call the Agriculture Knowledge Centre at 1-866-457-2377 for more information.

- The application deadline for pre-approval is April 30, 2027, for project to be completed by February 1, 2028. Applicants must submit a pre-approval application prior to commencing their project.
- After an application is received, a pre-site inspection will be arranged with a Ministry of Agriculture regional engineer. All projects must have a site inspection conducted prior to the commencement of any project activities. The site inspection will provide a preliminary assessment of environmental risks and mitigations required.
- Claims must be received by February 1, 2028. A final inspection may be required to confirm the changes implemented were in accordance with the initial site inspection.

#### PUBLICATIONS/RESOURCES


- The producer is responsible for meeting all federal, provincial and rural municipality regulatory requirements and/or approvals.
- [Holding Pond Site Selection and Design](#).
- Applicants who do not have existing approved plans under *The Agricultural Operations Act* must complete the [self-evaluation](#) to determine if their livestock operation requires approval.
- [Regulation of Intensive Livestock Operations In Saskatchewan](#).
- For technical assistance, contact the Agriculture Knowledge Centre at 1-866-457-2377.

#### AGRI-ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENT

As a condition to access program funding, applicants are required to review the [Agri-Environmental Risk Assessment](#) before beginning their project.

#### ELIGIBILITY

- Saskatchewan agricultural producers (individual, partnership or corporation) who can demonstrate a minimum of \$50,000 in gross farm income in Saskatchewan in the year of application or the year prior to the application.
- Individual applicants are at least 18 years of age.
- Our programs allow flexibility for new entrants to become eligible if they expect to meet gross farm income eligibility within the five-year term of Sustainable CAP. New entrants who do not meet the annual gross farm income threshold are encouraged to submit a claim and will be required to provide proof of meeting the annual gross farm income threshold before February 29, 2028; or
- First Nation Bands in the Province of Saskatchewan.
- Must have a [Saskatchewan Premises Identification \(PID\) number](#).
- Own, lease or custom graze a minimum of 20 animal units.
- Must be an intensive operation that requires an approved plan to store and manage waste *The Agricultural Operations Act*.



First Nation producers may have distinct characteristics reflecting regulatory, operational, cultural and other factors. Our programs are designed to allow for flexibility to reduce barriers and ensure accessibility. If you are interested in applying for programs and have questions about the application process or eligibility criteria for First Nation producers, please contact the Agriculture Knowledge Centre at 1-866-457-2377 and ask to be connected with the appropriate extension specialist.

## **PROJECT COSTS**

### **ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES OR ITEMS**

- Technical and/or engineering costs, including hiring an engineer, surveyor or consultant to complete topographic survey, geotechnical investigation and design a run-off control plan. This work can be funded if the project does not proceed.
- Earthwork and construction materials related to controlling run-off from livestock facilities. Run-off control or diversion works may include berms, holding ponds or ditches.
- Third-party freight.
- In-kind heavy equipment use.
- Use of applicant's equipment at current [Saskatchewan Farm Machinery Custom Rate and Rental Rate Guide](#) rates.

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- Invoices dated before April 1, 2023.
- Wellhead protection or dugout construction.
- Run-off control for household lagoons if not part of an overall run-off control project for farmyards and/or livestock facilities.
- In-kind materials such as rocks, sand, gravel or clay.
- In-kind labour or employee labour.
- In-kind payment (i.e. trading) for third-party services.
- In-kind freight/mileage.
- Used or home fabricated items.
- Financing, interest, legal fees or taxes.
- Projects/activities on new sites.
- Fabricated items, equipment or materials not purchased from a recognized dealer. For the purposes of the program, a recognized dealer is typically defined as a business where manufacturing is a key service or the business is an authorized dealer for certain item(s).
- Any submissions for rebate using a third-party vendor must be from a vendor who is third-party arm's-length, or the claim will be considered to be in-kind and funded based on the actual purchase price and require the submission of original invoices.