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SASKATCHEWAN LEAN IMPROVEMENTS IN MANUFACTURING (SLIM)
PRE-APPROVAL APPLICATION

DEADLINE: Pre-approval applications must be received on or before April 30, 2027.

For a full list of program details and requirements, please visit ***saskatchewan.ca/SLIM.***

Part 1 - APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT TYPE (select one)

☐ Corporation ☐ Co-operative ☐ First Nation Band

LEGAL BUSINESS NAME (Corporation, co-operative, First Nation(s)) (Blank for individual applicant)

PRIMARY CONTACT LAST NAME | **PRIMARY CONTACT FIRST NAME** | **MIDDLE NAME(S)**

MAILING ADDRESS (Civic, Rural Route, STN, Site, Box, etc.) | **CITY/TOWN**

PROVINCE | **POSTAL CODE** | **EMAIL ADDRESS**

BUSINESS PHONE (999-999-9999) | **CELL PHONE** (999-999-9999) | **BUSINESS NUMBER** (First 9 digits of GST, CRA BN) (Treaty, Band)

NAICS CODE (6-digit industry identification code - identified on CRA Statement of Business Activities T2125)

ADDRESS OF FACILITY (if different from above)

LAND LOCATION OF FACILITY (if applicable)

RM | QUARTER | SECTION | TOWNSHIP | RANGE | MERIDIAN

Please select the answers that apply to your company/organization or yourself.

Answering the following questions are on a voluntary basis and do not affect program eligibility or funding. Your answers will help address barriers and improve access to programs for underrepresented and marginalized groups. This information is protected by and is subject to *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

	First Nations	Métis	Inuit	Women	Youth (40 years of age or younger)	Not Applicable	Decline to Identify
1. Is your company/organization majority owned by one or more of the following groups? (select all that apply)							
2. Which of the following group(s) do you self-identify as?							

By completing the optional alternate contact fields you give permission to discuss your application with the person listed below. This is your consent to release information on the project including personal and financial information. This person may be contacted in the event we require additional information about your application and operation.

ALTERNATE CONTACT (Optional) **LAST NAME** | **FIRST NAME** | **TELEPHONE** (999-999-9999)

EMAIL ADDRESS

Part 2 - BUSINESS INFORMATION

A value-added product is the upgrading of a raw primary agricultural product(s), or further upgrading of a processed product or derivative (that includes co-product, by-product) into a new product. Please answer the following questions as they relate to your business. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

1. Is this facility:

   Currently in operation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

   Currently licensed? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

   If you answered "Yes" to the above question, and are one of the following: a meat processor/abattoir, cannabis processor, or distillery/brewery, provide the relevant licence number(s) for verification.

2. How long have you been in operation in the current line of business in this location? Years ☐ Months ☐
3. How many years has this location filed Saskatchewan income tax?
4. Does this facility have at least $100,000 gross annual revenue relating to value-added processing? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Regarding this facility's Canadian agricultural inputs:

   List the types of Canadian agricultural inputs.

   What is the volume and unit of measurement of these inputs that are processed annually?

   What is the value of these agricultural inputs annually?
6. What processing steps do you currently undertake at this location?
7. What products(s) do you develop using these processes and who do you market them to?

Part 2 - BUSINESS INFORMATION (continued)

8. Please provide a short, high level description of the project you are planning to undertake.

9. If this facility is determined to be elgible for the SLIM program, is there capacity, internally, to complete a business analysis?
☐ Yes ☐ No

10. Please identify any additional funding sources you plan to apply to for this project, such as federal tax credits, grants, etc.

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Note: Before you enter information it is recommended this application be saved to your computer.

Part 3 - STATEMENT OF DECLARATION

1. I hereby apply to the Saskatchewan Lean Improvements in Manufacturing Program (the "Program"), administered by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture (the "Ministry") pursuant to *The Agriculture Administration Act*, for the payment requested in this application.
2. I declare I am the Applicant or that I am authorized to sign on behalf of the Applicant. By my signature and delivery of this application, including this Statement of Declaration, to the Program, I understand I will be legally bound by, and I agree to adhere to, the Program guidelines and policies.
3. I declare:
   a. the eligible project was commenced on or after April 1, 2023;
   b. in the case of an agri-business is involved in value-added processing of Canadian agricultural products and is located in Saskatchewan;
   c. in the case of Abattoirs, are licensed, certified, registered, or inspected with the Ministry of Agriculture's Domestic Meat Inspection Program, or the Ministry of Health's Public Health System or the Canadian Food Inspection Agency;
   d. in the case of a First Nation, the First Nation has reserve land in Saskatchewan; and
   e. in the case of a corporation or co-operative, the corporation or co-operative is an existing facility that has been in operation for a minimum of two years, incorporated in Saskatchewan or federally, and have filed income tax in Saskatchewan within the past year;
   f. a portion of inputs in the production process are agricultural commodities and/or processed products in Canada.
4. I declare my project is an eligible project that meets the requirements set out in the Program policies and guidelines and that no other claim has been made, or will be made, for the eligible expenditures that are the subject of this project, to programs administered under the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership or any other government grant, rebate or assistance program unless otherwise disclosed in this application.
5. I declare the information included in this application is true and correct in every respect I consent to and authorize the Ministry to disclose information relating to my application or payment to any review committee that may be established for the purposes of this Program, in the event that a review is requested;
6. I agree to provide further information, including income tax returns or access to project records such as original receipts, proof of payments for costs claimed and photos of the completed eligible project, that the Program may reasonably require. In addition, I agree to inform the Program administration as soon as practicable of any changes to my application information for the purpose of administering this application.
7. I consent to allow:
   a. the Ministry to request information about me or my project from any federal or provincial government department or agency, including, but not limited to Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation (SCIC), Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC), which will be collected for the purposes of:
      i. verifying the application;
      ii. determining my eligibility for the Program; and
      iii. verifying regulatory requirements have been addressed.
   b. the Ministry to disclose any information contained in this application or provided in relation to me or my project, to any ministry, Crown corporation or agency of the Government of Saskatchewan including, but not limited to those mentioned above, for the purposes of:
      i. processing this application;
      ii. administering this or any other program offered by the Ministry;
      iii. advising me about Ministry programs and services;
      iv. policy and program development and evaluation; and
      v. research and statistical analytics.
8. I understand that any of the following:
   a. providing false, misleading or incomplete information to the Ministry in respect of this Program;
   b. my failure to comply with the policies and guidelines applicable to this Program;
   c. my failure to use the funding for eligible expenses as approved pursuant to this Program;
   may result in this application and any other past, current or future applications being denied and any payments issued being declared an overpayment and must be repaid.
9. I understand I am responsible for any cost overruns or expenditures in excess of the amounts contributed by the Ministry under the Program.
10. I understand it is my responsibility to be compliant with all laws and orders and have all necessary licences, permits and approvals required to undertake the project.
11. I understand if this project is located on lands protected under *The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010* (EMPA), *The Wildlife Habitat Protection Act* (WHPA), identified as Critical Habitat or has a Crown Conservation Easement registered on title that proper approval has been obtained in advance of commencing this project.
12. I understand if program rebates are used to create improvements on Crown land (within the meaning of *The Provincial Lands (Agriculture) Regulations*), the Ministry may take the value of those rebates into consideration upon lease termination.
13. I understand the Ministry has the right to set off all or any portion of a Program payment against any debt I have owing to the Government of Saskatchewan.
14. I understand the Ministry or other government agencies will in no way be liable for anything related to the construction, maintenance and ongoing operation of an approved project. Neither the Ministry, nor the Government of Saskatchewan, and all government employees, agents and representatives, past or present, harmless from and against all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, expenses and causes of action, including claims:
   a. arising out of any breach or failure by me to perform any of my obligations under this Program;
   b. relating to injury (including death) to persons or loss of or damage to property arising out of the negligence or willful misconduct of me or my contractors, officers, agents or employees; or
   c. arising out of the work undertaken by me related to this project including, but not limited to, claims for builders' liens, workers' compensation, employment insurance, holidays, back pay or any rates or charges.
15. I agree to cooperate with the Ministry in the completion of any audit, evaluation, or survey of the project or of the Program.
16. I agree the Ministry or its designated representatives are authorized to enter the premises identified on the application or any other premises operated by me in order to conduct an inspection of the eligible project, when completed, that is subject of this application.
17. I understand the personal information in this application is collected under the authority of the regulations and is protected by and subject to the provisions of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP Act) and the federal *Privacy Act*. The Ministry will use the information from this form to determine my eligibility for a benefit under this Program. The Ministry will also use my information for the administration of all other programs delivered by the Ministry, to advise me about Ministry programs and services, for policy and program development and evaluation, and for research and statistical purposes. The Ministry may share my information with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and other third parties for the administration of other agriculture programs, for policy and program development and evaluation, and for research and statistical purposes.

☐ I acknowledge and accept the terms and conditions as set out above.

Dated: _____ Applicant Signature: _____

If submitting by email, please type your name above. If submitting by mail, please sign the printed form.

Submit by email: agprograms@gov.sk.ca
For more information: 1-866-457-2377 or *saskatchewan.ca/S-CAP*

Submit by mail: Ministry of Agriculture - Programs Branch
329-3085 Albert Street, REGINA SK S4S 0B1

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