# 2023 Dairy Plus Application Questionnaire Preview

**DISCLAIMER:** This document intends to give applicants an idea of what to expect in the application. Actual questions within the electronic application submission portal (available at <u>www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/dairyplus</u>) may be different.

CDFA highly recommends that you review the Request for Grant Applications (<u>https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/dairyplus/docs/2023\_DairyPlus\_RGA.pdf</u>) prior to beginning an application.

# APPLICATION CATEGORY

What type of project are you applying?

- 1) DDRDP or AMMP only
- 2) New DDRDP or New AMMP + Dairy Plus Program
- 3) Dairy Plus Program only (previous DDRDP or AMMP project is operational)

# IMPORTANT!

Has this submitting organization previously been awarded a CDFA DDRDP project?

Is this application for a new project in conjunction with a 2023 AMMP and/or DDRDP application, or for a project at a dairy operation that has already been awarded (and completed) a CDFA AMMP and/or DDRDP] project?

If yes, provide the AMMP and/or DDRDP Agreement Number(s).

# I) Applicant Information

Producer Name (awardee of Dairy Plus Program funds must be an individual dairy producer).

# II) Additional Information

The USDA Partnerships for Climate Smart Commodities grant is committed to prioritizing at least \$7.5 million of the producer incentive funding to serve small and historically underserved producers, including farmers or ranchers who are: Beginning; Socially Disadvantaged; Veterans, and Limited Resource. Small farms are generally those with less than \$350,000 in annual gross cash farm income. Demographic information is used by USDA for statistical purposes only and will not be used to determine an applicant's eligibility for programs or services for which they apply. Definitions for small and historically underserved producers can be found in the Dairy Plus Program Request for Grant Applications [link].

Does the applicant identify as a small and/or historically underserved producer?

If yes, select all that apply.

## Section I: Project Description

Project Title for the Dairy Plus Program Project.

Note: Please include the name of the Dairy Operation as part of your Project Title.

Project Description for the Dairy Plus Project.

Please do not include any personally identifying information (e.g., address) or specifics about herd size in the project description; portions of the description may be used in applicant or awardee lists that will be publicly available online.

Address the following within the text boxes and drop-down menus using the completed <u>Project Description Template</u> and provide the following information:

Select the project type.

Will the project have a secondary project component?

If yes, select the component.

Attachment A: Project Description Template (required, as Microsoft Word file).

**Attachment A.1:** Site plan, project design documents, schematic diagrams, etc. (if applicable; upload as a single PDF file).

# **Project Duration**

Using the completed <u>Work Plan Template</u> provide the following information:

Enter the anticipated "Start Date" for the project. (Project cannot begin prior to March 1, 2024).

Enter the anticipated "End Date" for the project. (Project cannot end later than February 29, 2026).

Attachment B: <u>Work Plan Template</u> (required, as Microsoft Word file).

## Section II: Nutrient Management and Water Quality Improvements

Complete the <u>Nutrient Management and Water Quality Improvements</u> <u>Template</u>.

Attachment C: <u>Nutrient Management and Water Quality Improvements</u> <u>Template</u> (required, as PDF file).

## Section III: Budget Worksheet

Using the completed <u>Budget Worksheet Template</u> provide the following information:

Grant Amount Requested This value must be less or equal to US\$1,250,000 (up to \$750/cow).

Matching Funds Provided

Attachment D: <u>Budget Worksheet Template</u> (required, as Microsoft Excel file)

Attachment D.1: Bids or quotes to support budget costs (if applicable, as a single PDF file)

#### Section IV: Estimated GHG Emissions Reduction

Using the completed DDRDP or AMMP Benefits Calculator Tool (<u>http://www.arb.ca.gov/cci-resources</u>) template, provide the following information:

Select Livestock Categories that are part of the Project Boundary

Total project emission reductions over 5 (if AMMP) or 10 years (if DDRDP) (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e)

GHG reduction per unit of energy-corrected milk (ECM) produced by the dairy operation over 5 (if AMMP) or 10 years (if DDRDP) (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e/ECM)

GHG reduction per dollar grant money requested over 5 (if AMMP) or 10 years (if DDRDP) (\$/MTCO<sub>2</sub>e)

Attachment E: <u>AMMP or DDRDP Benefits Calculator Tool</u> (required, as Microsoft Excel file)

(Only for those applying for Dairy Plus Previous DDRDP) Attachment E: DDRDP Benefits Calculator Tool for Functional System/Implemented Digester (required; as Microsoft Excel file)

Attachment E.1: Explanation of GHG Calculations (if applicable, as single PDF file)