

2020 Dairy Digester Research and Development Program

Questions and Answers (Q&A)

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1. The latest DDRDP Benefits Calculator Tool (available at www.arb.ca.gov/cc-resources) is described as “Version 2” since February 18, 2020. Is this version of the latest DDRDP Benefits Calculator Tool different than the previous version available at www.arb.ca.gov/cc-resources until February 18, 2020? If yes, what are the differences between the current and previous versions of the latest DDRDP Calculator Tool?

Yes, a revised version of the latest DDRDP Benefits Calculator Tool was posted at www.arb.ca.gov/cc-resources on February 18, 2020. CARB staff corrected a minor bug in question 2e in the DDRDP Calculator Tool. All applicants should use Version 2 of the DDRDP Calculator Tool to ensure proper GHG and co-benefits estimations. No changes were made to the Quantification Methodology or User Guide documents.

2. If two developers desire to establish a single biogas upgrading system to RNG for two separate digester projects at each of their host dairies and elect to share the upgrading system, can they jointly file a grant application for the upgrading system?

No, the developers cannot submit a joint grant application for requesting two separate dairy digester projects, as each grant application must represent an individual digester project at a unique project site (i.e., dairy operation). Please see Eligibility and Exclusion section of the 2020 DDRDP Request for Grant Applications (RGA) on page 2.

3. If an applicant resubmits an unawarded 2019 DDRDP application, must the applicant re-conduct public outreach?

Community outreach efforts must have occurred a maximum of 12 months prior to the application submission deadline. Please see Community Impact section of RGA on page 15.

4. Is there a standardized naming convention for DDRDP required attachments?

CDFA suggests applicants to use the following format: “Applicant-ID#_Attachment-Name_Name of the Project” for example “0123456789_BudgetWorksheet_XYZOperation”