2024 Dairy Digester Research and Development Program Questions and Answers (Q&A)

August 22, 2024

1. Can an applicant apply to DDRDP and AMMP in the same round? If so, would they be judged individually or together? Would only one be awarded?

The intent of the programs is to ensure a wide distribution of funds across individual operations. While an applicant (assuming the question is pertaining to a single dairy operation) may submit an application to both DDRDP and AMMP, the choice to apply to both programs should be considered carefully. DDRDP and AMMP projects differ greatly in their scope as well as permitting requirements. Inadequate preparation of applications may impact the quality and competitiveness of applications. Proposals would be reviewed individually, as there is a separate review and scoring criteria for each program. If after review, the project submitted to both programs receives a competitive score for the award, only one of the DDRDP or AMMP awards would be made, consistent with the Program Requirements and Eligibility and Exclusions in the RGA.

2. If an applicant applies for DDRDP or AMMP and Dairy Plus Program (for either AMMP or DDRDP) and receives an award for both AMMP/DDRDP and Dairy PLUS Program, but after the award, the awardee decides not to proceed with the Dairy Plus Program project, would the awardee also lose their AMMP/DDRDP award?

As the DDRDP and AMMP are separate programs with their own applications and funding sources, the content of each application should not overlap with the other. If a decision is made not to proceed with the Dairy Plus Program award, it would not automatically result in the loss of the entire DDRDP or AMMP project, even though they are closely connected.

3. Can more than two people have access to the DDRDP application in the grants system? In other words, can two people be working on a submission or is it limited to only one user per application?

An online application is directly linked to a single Amplifund user account. An organization with more than one individual assisting with application development and submission could set up an Amplifund account accessible by others, and work from there on multiple applications; or, an individual could choose to share their username and password with someone else to be able to work on a particular application together. However, a person with their own individual user account would not be able to access applications started by or submitted by a different user account.

4. What is the maximum page limit for the DDRDP Work Plan Template (Attachment 2)?

The maximum number of pages is five (5) pages for the Work Plan Template attachment. Please refer to page 28 of <u>DDRDP Request for Grant Applications (RGA)</u>.