

2018 Climate Smart Agriculture Technical Assistance Grant FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

General

1. How many solicitations are expected for each climate smart agriculture program?

This technical assistance RFA applies to CDFA's current funding allocation for the Alternative Manure Management Program (AMMP), the State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP), and the Healthy Soils Program (HSP). With this funding allocation, CDFA anticipates, but does not guarantee, two solicitations for SWEEP, one solicitation for AMMP and one solicitation for HSP.

Eligibility

2. Is each university or cooperative extension office eligible to submit an application?

Each unique university office or cooperative extension office may submit an application for technical assistance funding.

3. Can an RCD and an academic institution submit one collective application?

A RCD and academic institution may submit a collective application, but only one organization will be the lead applicant responsible for administering the grant funds.

4. Can an RCD submit an application, but use a private consultant as one or more of the technical assistance leads?

A RCD may use a private consultant as a technical assistance lead, although there are some restrictions. A private consultant must have the relevant experience and knowledge of California agriculture and reside within California. See page 3 of the Request for Applications for more information on additional restrictions.

Training

5. Will the CDFA training workshops (training technical providers to complete these grant applications) also be open to consultants who might also provide this assistance to their private clients?

In the situation that a private consultant is providing the technical assistance on behalf of the grant recipient, the consultant will also be provided with training by CDFA program staff.