



# 2022 CAPGP Funding Decision

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# Funding Overview

Budget Act of 2021 appropriated \$17M to CDFA (Senate Bill 170, Skinner)

\$7M will fund organic transition support for farmers and ranchers

\$6M prioritized for plans that support organic transition

\$1M partnership between CDFA and the University of California Organic Institute

\$0.5M Grants to CA RCD to supplement CAPGP funded plans that cost over \$10K

CAPGP will provide up to \$14.7M for the development of conservation agriculture plans

Maximum award is \$250K per applicant

# Program Timeline

Event	Tentative Dates*
Application Period	July 29 – October 23, 2022
Administrative and Minimum Qualifications Review	October – December 2022
Announce and Award Funding	February 2023
Grant Agreement Execution	February – June 2023
Project Term	June 2023 – May 2025



# Funded Plans

- Comprehensive Nutrient Management (DIA 101)
- Comprehensive Nutrient management Plan (CPA 102)
- Soil Health Management Plan (CPA 116)
- Agricultural Energy Design Plan (DIA 120)
- Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition (CPA 138) or Organic System Plan
- Transition to Organic (DIA 140)
- Fish and Wildlife Habitat (DIA 144)
- Pollinator Habitat (DIA 148)
- Nutrient Management (DIA 157)
- Grazing Management (DIA 159)
- Pest Management Conservation System (DIA 161)
- Soil Health Management (DIA 162)
- Irrigation Water Management Design (DIA 163)
- Conservation Plan/Carbon Plan (CPA 199)
- Carbon Sequestration and Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Assessment (CEMA 218)
- Agricultural Energy Assessment (CEMA 228)



# Application Review Process



# Administrative Review



The purpose of the administrative review is to determine whether grant application requirements are met. Grant applications disqualified as a result of the administrative review may be appealed.

During the administrative review, the following will result in the automatic disqualification of a grant application:

- One or more unanswered questions necessary for the administrative or technical review
- Missing, blank, unreadable, or corrupt content
- Unusable or unreadable attachments
- Applications that do not comply with Eligibility or meet Program Requirements
- Requests for more than the maximum award amount.

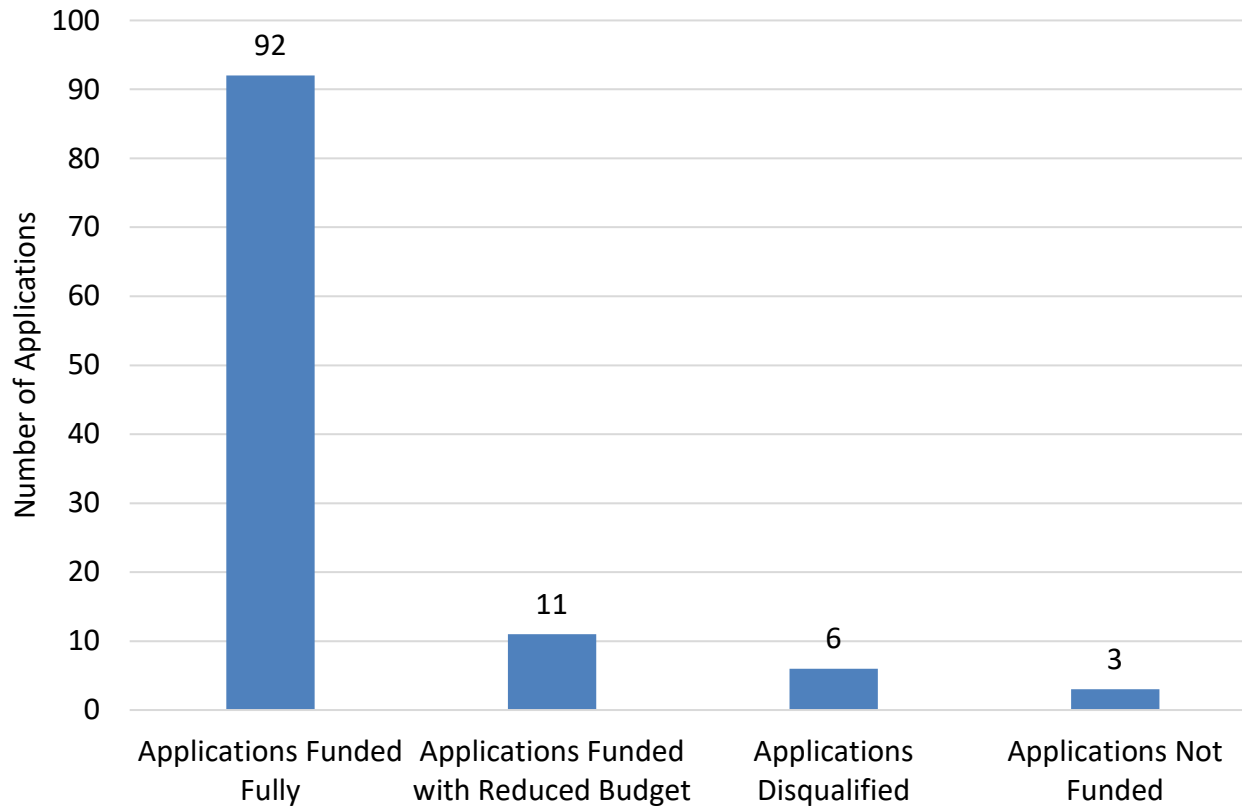


# Minimum Qualifications Review

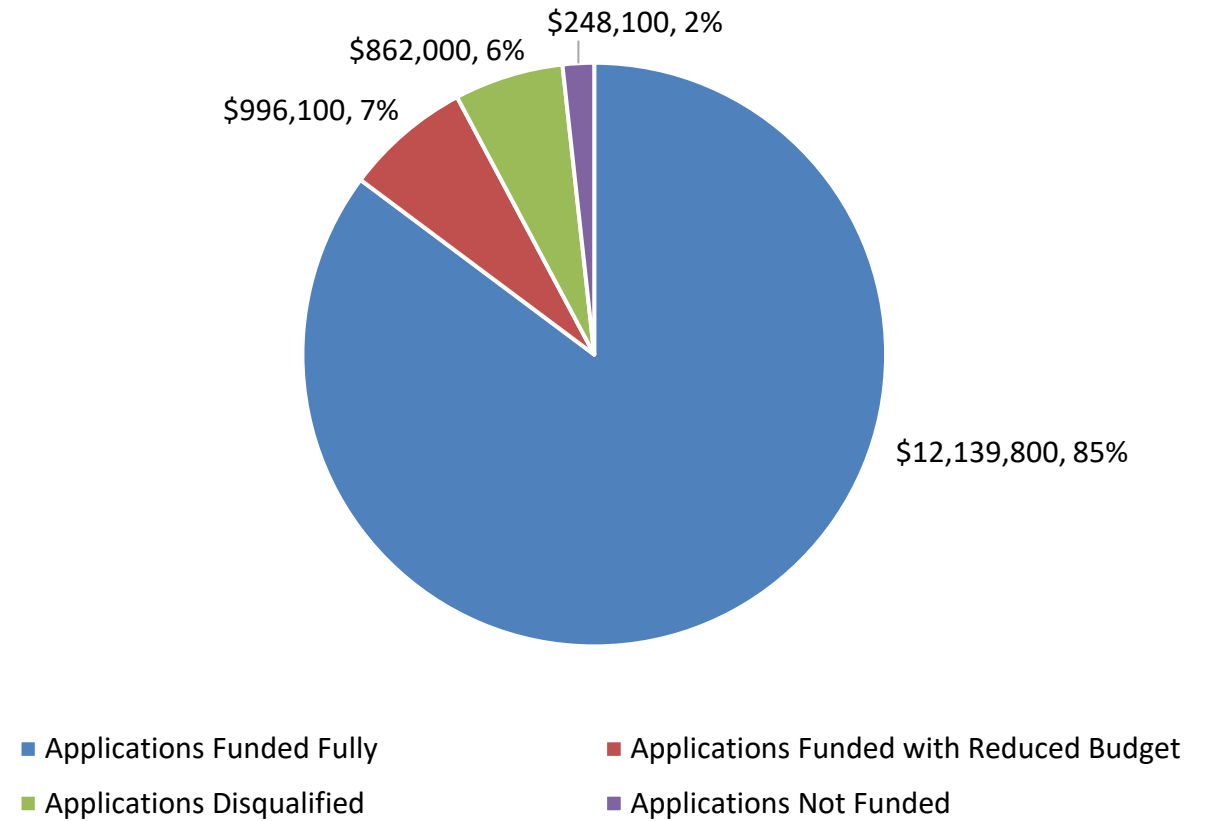
- Is the applicant a TSP registered with the USDA NRCS in the planning categories indicated?
- If the applicant is not a registered TSP (any other applicant type), do the below criteria apply for the individual identified as the person who will prepare the plan(s)?
  - ✓ The resume or Curriculum Vitae (CV) provided aligns well with the necessary expertise for the selected plan(s).
  - ✓ The applicant provided relevant certificates for the training or credentials mentioned in the resume or CV.
  - ✓ The applicant or identified individual previously developed plans for agricultural operations and provided examples.
  - ✓ The applicant clearly described the capacity to assist farmers and ranchers in establishing a plan.

# Application Review Summary

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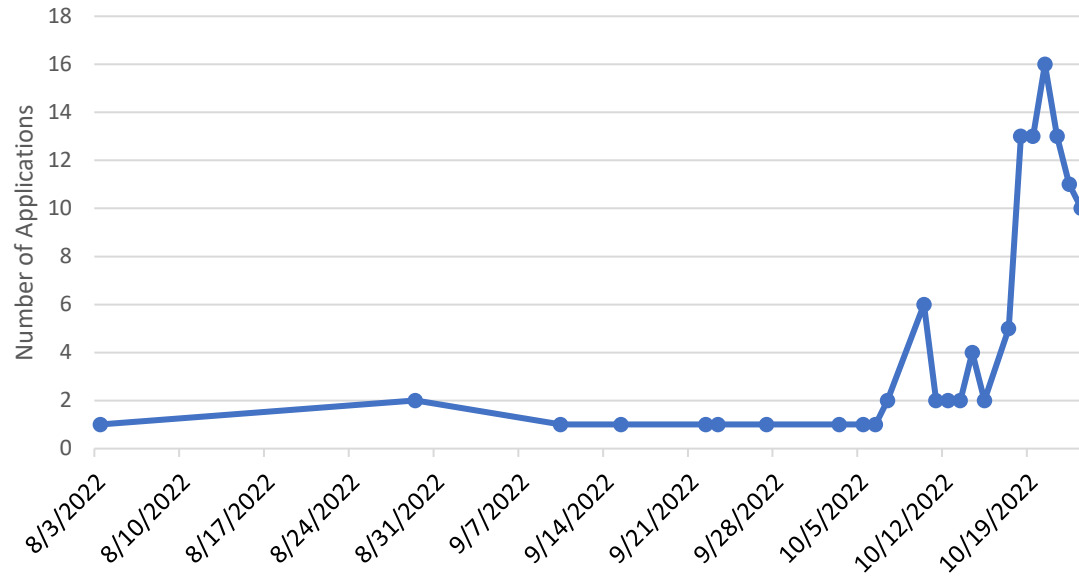


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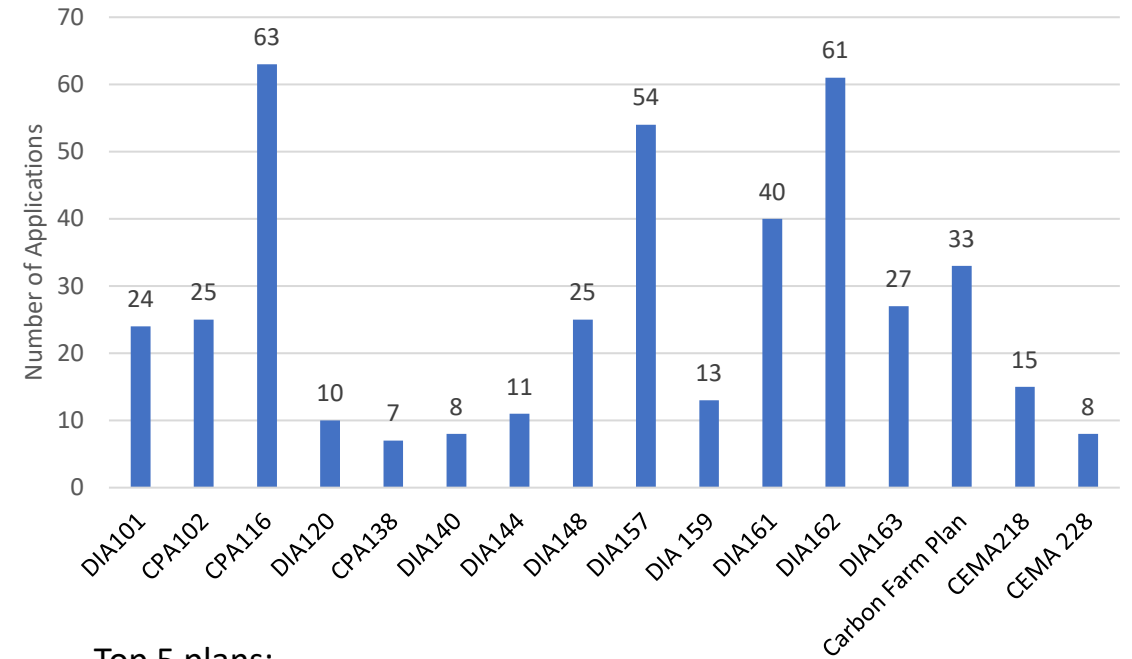




### CAPGP Application Submission Trend



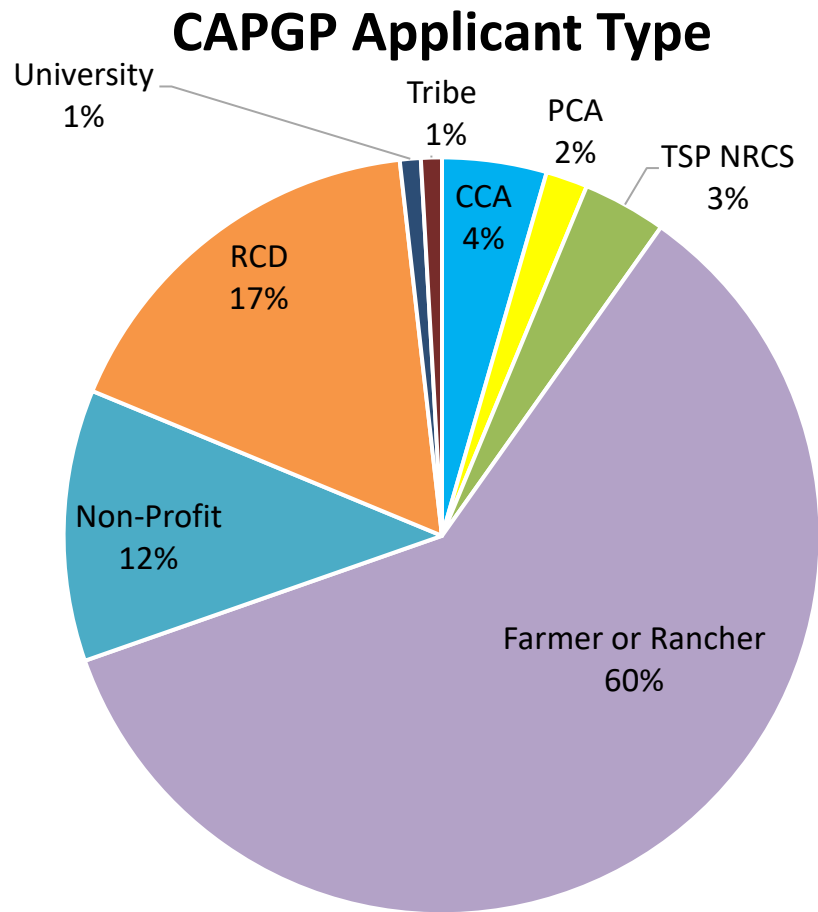
### CAPGP Application Plan Type Summary



Top 5 plans:

1. CPA116 Soil Health Management Plan (63)
2. DIA 162 Soil Health Management (61)
3. DIA 157 Nutrient Management (54)
4. DIA 161 Pest Management Conservation System (40)
5. Carbon Farm Plan (33)

\*Plans that support organic transition (15)



Applicant Type	Number of Applications
CCA	5
PCA	2
TSP NRCS	4
Farmer or Rancher	67
Non-Profit	13
RCD	19
University	1
Tribe	1
Total	112

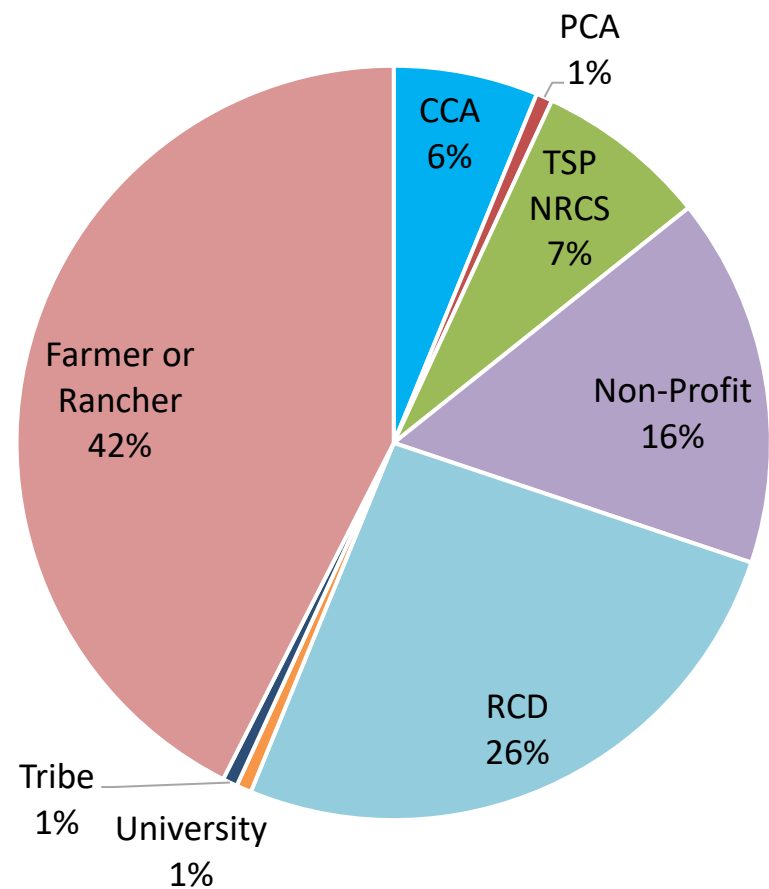
Top 3 applicant type by the number of applications:

1. Farmer or Rancher (67)
2. Resource Conservation District (19)
3. Non-Profit (13)

\*Applicants estimated over 200 SDFRs will be assisted.



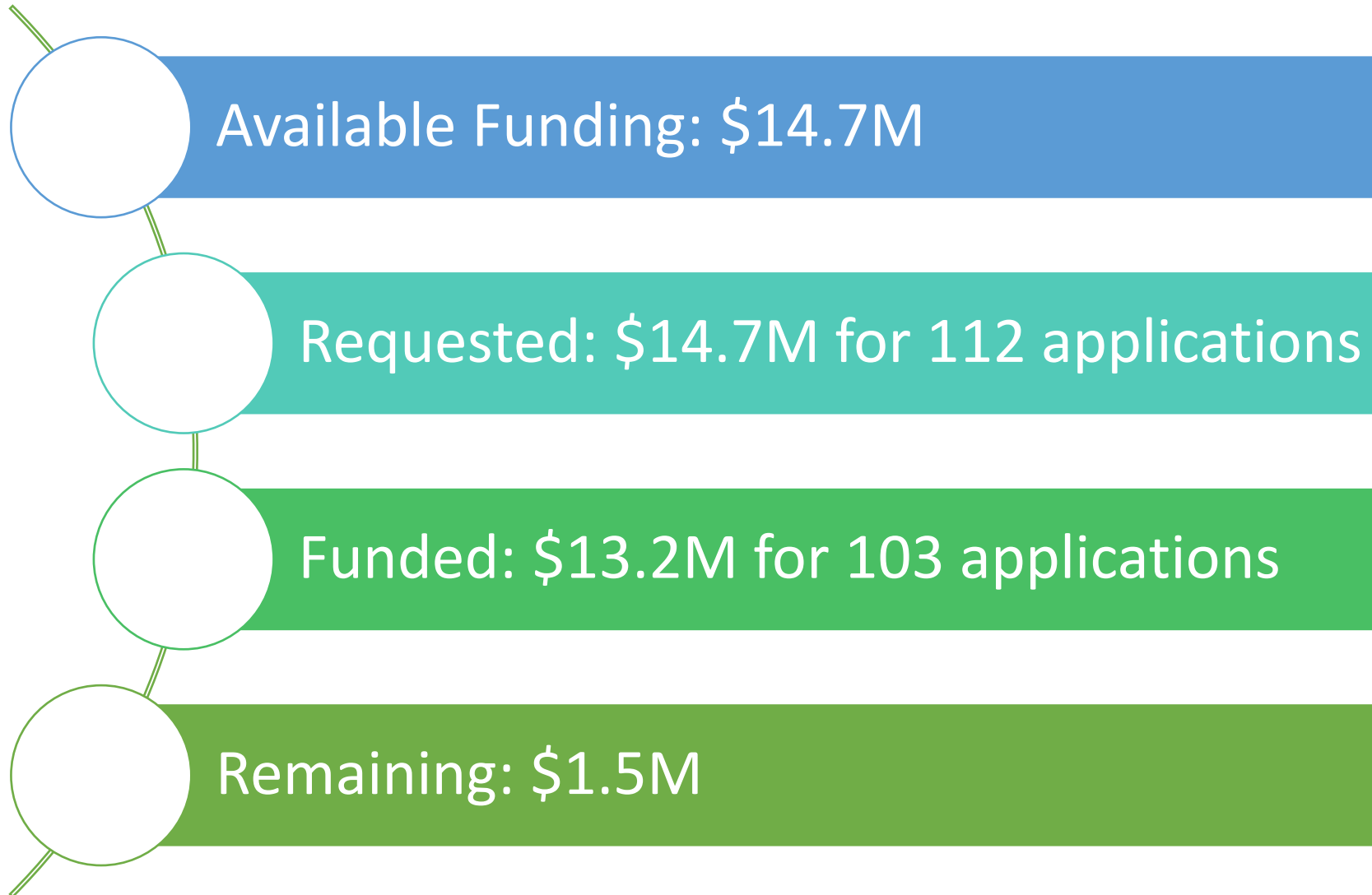
# Funds Awarded By Applicant Type



Applicant Type	Funds Awarded	Average Award
CCA	\$818,000	\$163,600
PCA	\$92,300	\$46,150
TSP NRCS	\$976,400	\$244,100
Non-Profit	\$2,094,200	\$161,092
RCD	\$3,440,300	\$181,068
University	\$85,600	\$85,600
Tribe	\$84,000	\$84,000
Farmer or Rancher	\$5,617,100	\$83,837

- Top 3 applicant types by the total award amount:
- 1. Farmer or Rancher
  - 2. RCD
  - 3. Non-Profit

# Final Award Selection





# Completed Steps

- Disqualification Notice
- Congrats letter
- Regrets letter
- Legislative letter





An aerial photograph of a vast agricultural field, likely a seedling nursery, showing rows of young plants in various colors including green, pink, and orange. A small tractor is visible in the upper right corner, working in the field.

# Next Steps

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- STD 204 Payee Data Record
- Awardee Webinar
- Pre-Project Consultation
- Grant Agreement Package
- Grant Execution

# Questions?