



University of Guam - U.S. Department of Agriculture
Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities
Producer Application

For U.S. citizens only

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The project addresses greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions in Pacific Island agriculture and forestry systems and seeks to improve affordable food and nutrition security of disadvantaged, at-risk, island communities through an interdisciplinary, culturally sensitive approach by working with local farmers and forestry managers. Potential outcomes include a reduction of GHG emissions, improved soil health, and increased agricultural yield of climate-smart commodities demanded by the current island markets.

The farmer incentive program will fund approximately 20-22 farms from Guam and CNMI, collectively, per year with a max stipend of 10,000USD. Farmers may use the stipends at their discretion to cover the production costs of climate commodities which will include utilities (e.g. water, power), seeds, fertilizers, tools, labor, and fuel. Work plans must be pre-approved prior to approval of the stipend. The incentive payments with associated benchmarks are as follows:

Incentive	Amount (USD)	Requirement
Stipend 1	5,000	Completion of application form, approved work plan with monitoring schedule, and establishment of GHG baseline.
Stipend 2	2,500	Must complete 50% of agreed upon activities on the work plan.
Stipend 3	2,500	Must complete 75% of agreed upon activities on the work plan.
Total	10,000	

ELIGIBILITY

Please answer the following questions to help us determine whether you are eligible:

All producers who have an interest in participating in the Climate-Smart Commodities project are encouraged to apply. All applicants must be:

1. A U.S. Citizen or an alien lawfully admitted into the United States for permanent residence under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101-1778)
2. Registered with the USDA FSA (Farm Service Agency)
3. Does not have a climate-safe practice and commodity funded under another USDA grant.

APPLICANT PROCEDURE AND DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

1. Completed Application
2. Completed Form AD-2047 (Consumer Data Worksheet to facilitate the collection of customer data for Business Partner Record)
3. Completed Form AD-1026 Highly Erodible Land Conservation (HELC) and Wetland Conservation (WC) Certification
4. Copy of a U.S. Government issued ID
5. Site Map and .kml file

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Completed applications must be submitted via e-mail to Dr. Romina King @ roking@triton.uog.edu and Annisa Lujan @ lujana7313@triton.uog.edu. **Application deadline is January 5, 2024.**



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Applicant Information

Full Name: _____
Last *First* *M.I.*

Mailing Address: _____
Street Address/PO Box *Apartment/Unit*

Phone Number: _____ **Email:** _____

Field Information

USDA FSA (Farm Service Agency) Number: _____

Site Location Address (Please also provide a site map and .kml file):

Currently funded NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) practices and locations:

Current crops grown: _____

Total farm size (in acres): _____

Total size dedicated to this project (in acres): _____

Proposed Crops and Practices

Potential commodities that will be produced using climate friendly practices: _____

Potential climate friendly practices that will be used: *Not including current practices*:

Cover Crops	Buffers
Limited Till/No Till Nutrient Management Enhanced	Tree Planting
Efficient Fertilizer	Carbon Sequestering Plants
Soil Amendments (Biochar)	Other (Please specify)

Please complete and attach a site map to this application



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Eligibility Certification and Signatures

I am a citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted into the United States for permanent residence under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101-1778).

I am registered with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency.

I am applying for a climate-safe practice and commodity that is not currently funded under another USDA grant.

Print Name

Signature

Date

Please answer the following questions:

1. Why is your farm interested in adopting Climate-Smart practices to improve the carbon footprint of your farming practices?
2. What has your farm done in the past to be environmentally conscious?