



NOTICE OF GRANT AND AGREEMENT AWARD

1. Award Identifying Number NR233A750004G052	2. Amendment Number	3. Award /Project Period Date of final signature - 06/12/2028	4. Type of award instrument: Grant Agreement
5. Agency (Name and Address) USDA Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities c/o FPAC-BC Grants and Agreements Division 1400 Independence Ave SW, Room 3236 Washington, DC 20250 Direct all correspondence to FPAC.BC.GAD@usda.gov		6. Recipient Organization (Name and Address) CARBON A LIST LLC 36176 SUNSHINE MESA ROAD HOTCHKISS CO 81419-6204 UEI Number: UUEYW8D3GNJ7 EIN:	
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11. CFDA 10.937	12. Authority 15 USC 714 et seq	13. Type of Action New Agreement	14. Program Director Name: Nicholas Goeser <div style="background-color: yellow; width: 100px; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;">(b)(6)</div>
15. Project Title/ Description: Expands climate-smart dairy, soybean and oat markets in CA, ID, IL, IN, KS, MD, MI, MN, ND, NE, NM, NY, OH, PA, SD, TX, UT, WI and supports implementation and monitoring of climate-smart practices.			
16. Entity Type: R = Small Business			
17. Select Funding Type			
Select funding type:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Federal	
Original funds total	69,998,884.00	12,523,750.00	
Additional funds total	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Grand total	69,998,884.00	12,523,750.00	
18. Approved Budget			

Personnel	\$0.00	Fringe Benefits	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00	Equipment	\$0.00
Supplies	\$182,000.00	Contractual	25,168,650.00
Construction	\$0.00	Other	44,648,234.00
Total Direct Cost	69,799,334.00	Total Indirect Cost	\$199,550.00
		Total Non-Federal Funds	12,523,750.00
		Total Federal Funds Awarded	69,998,884.00
		Total Approved Budget	82,522,634.00

This agreement is subject to applicable USDA NRCS statutory provisions and Financial Assistance Regulations. In accepting this award or amendment and any payments made pursuant thereto, the undersigned represents that he or she is duly authorized to act on behalf of the awardee organization, agrees that the award is subject to the applicable provisions of this agreement (and all attachments), and agrees that acceptance of any payments constitutes an agreement by the payee that the amounts, if any, found by NRCS to have been overpaid, will be refunded or credited in full to NRCS.

Name and Title of Authorized Government Representative  KATINA HANSON Acting Senior Advisor for Climate-Smart Commodities	Signature  KATINA HANSON   Digitally signed by KATINA HANSON Date: 2023.06.12 11:07:20 -05'00'	Date  06/12/2023
Name and Title of Authorized Recipient Representative  NICHOLAS J. GOESER Principal	Signature  Nicholas Goeser   Digitally signed by Nicholas Goeser Date: 2023.06.09 12:26:41 -04'00'	Date  6/9/2023

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## Statement of Work

### Purpose

The purpose of this agreement, between the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Carbon A List LLC (Recipient), is to build markets for climate-smart commodities and invest in America's climate-smart producers to strengthen U.S. rural and agricultural communities.

### Objectives

The objectives of this project are to support the production and marketing of climate-smart commodities by providing voluntary incentives to producers and landowners, including early adopters, to implement climate-smart agricultural production practices, activities, and systems on working lands; measure/quantify, monitor and verify the carbon and greenhouse gas (GHG) benefits associated with those practices; and develop markets and promote the resulting climate-smart commodities.

### Budget Narrative

The official budget summarized below and described in the attached Budget Narrative will be considered the total budget as last approved by the Federal awarding agency for this award.

Amounts included in this budget narrative are estimates. Reimbursement or advance liquidations will be based on actual expenditures, not to exceed the amount obligated.

TOTAL BUDGET \$82,522,634

TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS \$69,998,884

PERSONNEL \$0

FRINGE BENEFITS \$0

TRAVEL \$0

EQUIPMENT \$0

SUPPLIES \$182,000

CONTRACTUAL \$24,969,100

CONSTRUCTION \$0

OTHER \$44,648,234 (includes PRODUCER INCENTIVES \$29,778,018)

TOTAL DIRECT COSTS \$69,799,334

INDIRECT COSTS \$199,550

TOTAL NON-FEDERAL FUNDS \$12,523,750

PERSONNEL \$0

FRINGE BENEFITS \$0

TRAVEL \$0

EQUIPMENT \$0

SUPPLIES \$0

CONTRACTUAL \$0

CONSTRUCTION \$0

OTHER \$12,523,750 (includes PRODUCER INCENTIVES \$10,000,000)

TOTAL DIRECT COSTS \$12,523,750

INDIRECT COSTS \$0

Recipient has elected to use the de minimis indirect cost rate, applied to the contracting services expenses for administrative support and soil sampling.

### Responsibilities of the Parties:

If inconsistencies arise between the language in this Statement of Work (SOW) and the General Terms and Conditions attached to the agreement, the language in this SOW takes precedence.

#### RECIPIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Perform the work and produce the deliverables as outlined in this Statement of Work and attachments.

Ensure Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) clearance is obtained prior to conducting data collection from producers or other project participants, including data collection performed by subrecipients.

Comply with the applicable version of the General Terms and Conditions.

Submit reports and payment requests to the ezFedGrants system as outlined in the applicable version of the General Terms and Conditions. Reporting frequency is as follows:

Performance Reports: Quarterly

SF425 Financial Reports: Quarterly

Detailed Progress Report: Quarterly

(The detailed progress report is in addition to the performance and financial reports referenced above and described in the general terms and conditions)

### **Expected Accomplishments and Deliverables**

See attached Benchmarks Table and associated Project Narrative.

### **Resources Required**

See the Responsibilities of the Parties section for required resources, if applicable.

### **Milestones**

See attached Benchmarks Table and associated Project Narrative.

## GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please reference the below link(s) for the General Terms and Conditions pertaining to this award:  
<https://www.fpacbc.usda.gov/about/grants-and-agreements/award-terms-and-conditions/index.html>

### Attachments:

Budget Narrative

Project Narrative

Benchmarks Table

Climate-Smart Practices List and Limitations

Data Dictionary

Climate-Smart Specific Terms and Conditions

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# Transforming the Farmer-to-Consumer Supply Chain with Climate Smart Agriculture Partnerships

Final revision

## Executive Summary

### Applicant Contact Information

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### Project Partners

<b>Project participants:</b>	<b>Roles and need</b>
Carbon A List (CAL)	Administration, carbon market methodology and farmer engagement experience
Danone North America (DNA)	A leading global food and beverage company, working to bring health through food to as many people as possible. DNA will provide technical assistance and program and project support.
Over 395 independent U.S. farmers	Over 395 small and large farmer partners, 260 of which are small and/or underserved producers, in the dairy, soy, oat sectors, including over 35 independently operated dairy farms.
Target	Eighth largest U.S. retailer with almost 2,000 retail locations in the U.S. Investment in climate-smart practices along with direct customer engagement and market development.
Sustainable Environmental Consultants (SEC)	Industry leading MRV partner
University of Wisconsin	Will provide technical assistance to growers implementing CS practices and will build a robust Climate Smart transition guide.



Beck’s Superior Hybrids, Inc. (Beck’s)	Largest family-owned, retail seed company in the United States, serving farmers throughout the Midwest and Mid-South. Bringing training, education and technical assistance to farmers.
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Table 1 Project Partners

### Summary of Budget and Federal Request

This project seeks Federal funding of **\$69,998,884**. It will be supported by \$12,523,750 in non-Federal funding from partners. Details outlined in *Transforming the Farmer-to-Consumer Supply Chain with Climate Smart Agriculture Partnerships Budget Narrative*.

### Underserved and Small Farmer Project Partners

Over 500 dairy farms in the DNA network are considered small farms<sup>1</sup>. These include producers that identify as English, Mennonite, and Amish. Of the 395+ farms participating in this project, we will work with approximately 260 farms that are considered either small and/or underserved. It is estimated that \$40,000,000 – more than half of the requested amount for on-farm implementation – with an estimated \$26,400,000 going directly to small and/or underserved farms – will be distributed towards infrastructure investments that these farms can utilize and the implementation of climate-smart commodity (CSC) practices.

### Project Summary

There is a significant need for end-to-end supply chain partnerships to both a) create climate smart commodities and b) market them via brands and retailers to consumers. This project will execute an end-to-end supply chain strategy to deliver on both, while simultaneously optimizing the value of climate smart commodities so that farmers will realize a durable value-add and new market opportunity for their production. We will span commodity production supply chains – from producer to consumer – with a specific focus on programs in soybean feedstock for dairies, food grade soy and food grade oats. It also includes a large manure management program in the dairy sector, which will prioritize methane reductions. The power of existing and future investments by project partners will create scale and build trust in climate smart commodity markets, so that other supply chains across agriculture can replicate similar end-to-end strategies.

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<sup>1</sup> Small= 0-100 head milking cows, Medium= 101-500 head milking cows, Large= 501+ head milking cows

The integrated supply chain approach proposed will:



*Figure 1 Integrated Supply Chain Approach*

Increasing farmer acceptance for CSC production is a cornerstone of this partnership. By offering a suite of financial, technical and agronomic services to farmers, we can lower financial burdens and create market certainty. This proposal will support American farmers as they pursue new on-farm management activities and will invest in new infrastructure so that farmers can access new markets related to climate smart agriculture. Paying and incentivizing farms for new climate-smart agricultural (CSA) practices, however, is just one step to building new markets for CSA commodities.

We anticipate that these programs will involve over 395 participating farms across 18 states including over 32,000 farm acres, as well as 48,000 head of cattle across 57 (7 small, 30 medium, 20 large) managed dairy projects. The CSA practices outlined herein are expected to reduce approximately 57,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e over its five-year implementation and monitoring period and drive economic growth in rural communities across the project geographies.

The project partners have committed to the implementation of this program, and will play a key role in its success. Their existing commitments to CSA position them as important and effective partners to this program effort, as well as to regenerative agriculture and climate change more broadly.

This partnership seeks to leverage the agricultural and climate expertise of leading environmental NGOs to act as a credible third party, which can provide analysis both during the partnership and at its conclusion to report to all parties, the USDA and the public. These learnings will ensure credibility and growth in the potential of CSA and value chain efforts linking farms to consumers. In part, NGO acceptance of this model will help other food sector companies establish viable investment strategies with farmers in order to meet [Science Based Target Initiative](#) goals for climate change across their “scope 3” or supply chains.

### Compelling Need for the Project

Intergovernmental (United Nations-IPCC) and private sector (Corporate Social Responsibility reporting, consumer pressures and Environmental Social Governance investments) drivers have created demands on agricultural sector supply chains for enhancements in environmental, economic and social (ESG) performance. Many precompetitive and ecosystem service market initiatives have emerged to help create standardization in quantification, verification and monetization approaches (e.g., Cool Farm Alliance, SustainCert, Verra). Yet, end to end supply chain partnerships and standardized approaches are still needed to optimize the value proposition for farms and to identify viable business strategies to support additional investments at the farm-level.

Further, many carbon market programs have emerged across the United States agricultural landscape (Bayer Carbon, Nutrien, Indigo Carbon, etc.), but are not standardized in approach (i.e., different voluntary market protocols), contract terms, and risk across agricultural regions and cropping systems. Lack of standardization leads to confusion and inaccuracies in the food value chain.

Consumer insights data, drawn from numerous sources such as [Hartman 2021](#), demonstrate that a majority of consumers are interested in more sustainable food options and desire transparency into how their food is grown. Increasing interest in the environmental and human impact of food, however, does not mean that consumers will always accept a premium cost. Therefore, it is imperative that value-chain participants, from consumer product goods manufacturers to retailers, work to provide a variety of CSC options for consumers to choose from and seek to identify various sources of value-add across the supply chain.

As environmental sustainability and greenhouse gas (GHG) impact becomes increasingly a cost of doing business or license to operate for many mainstream food options, it will be imperative to identify cost efficiencies, improve resilience and lower price volatility gained via CSA activities so that brands and retailers can offer a wider selection of price competitive options of CSA commodities to as many demographics of consumers as possible.

The development of an end-to-end market for agricultural commodities requires that consumers see a variety of products at different price points and are also exposed to different communications on the availability of CSA commodities. Multiple strategies that differentiate products and provide consumers options are required. This project leverages the development of CSA commodities so that brands, for example those under Danone, and retailers, such as Target, explore the efficacy of different strategies to better understand what resonates with consumers while ensuring validated and transparent environmental claims and communications. The CSC program will be supported via four mechanisms.

First, downstream entities in farms' value chain, such as DNA and its brands, will make an array of investments at the farm-level – from new management practices (e.g. improved tillage management, cover crops, improved nutrient management across cropland, manure management, etc.) to infrastructure (e.g. manure separation and animal feed processing equipment) – and across farming systems so that farms can optimize GHG reductions and removals, while also building economic efficiencies and creating access to new market opportunities for the climate smart commodity. By building the needed infrastructure for these CSC, we are assuring active and accessible markets exist for farmers well beyond the project term, potentially presenting a multi-million dollar opportunity, per year for farmers.

Second, key partners of project partners and farms, such as Beck's, University of Wisconsin and SEC, will play a key role to assume risks, lower the transaction costs in new investments, and provide technical assistance to determine how to best initiate new management and infrastructure.

Third, farmers will need various financing options (e.g., cost shares, contractual incentives, low-interest loans, etc.) to both offset costs and create bridges to return on investment (ROI) which may take longer than one growing season. DNA currently has a global fund that has been earmarked to assist brands and farms to work together in implementing regenerative agriculture practices and systems on farms that have positive environmental returns. DNA

created a low-to-zero interest fund for farmers, along with partnering with capital investment firms on creating financing opportunities for farms. These initiatives will be continued and approved upon while also developing new, innovative financing schemes.

Finally, acceptance of new management and investments will increase when farmers are certain that buyers will consider multi-year contracts and offtake agreements for the commodity.

The project will consist of *three* major CSA strategies to bring end to end supply chain value, each with its own specific environmental, economic and rural community benefits to the industry and to the public more broadly. Implementing across multiple commodities with producers in various regions will allow the partnership to learn and adapt to various challenges across different supply chains while applying similar principles to each.

1. Soybean Feedstock Program: Farmers use soybean meal as a protein source for dairy cattle, and domestic soybean meal can be hard to source for American dairy farmers. The result is an increase in soybean meal sourced and transported from global markets, which increases GHG emissions and raises traceability concerns related to land use change (deforestation, etc.) outside of the United States. An underdeveloped infrastructure in support of a domestic CSC soybean feedstock market has blocked U.S. agriculture from achieving emissions reduction goals. Additionally, infrastructure to extrude and process soybeans does not exist at a local level. This results in longer transportation through the supply chain and attendant increases in GHG emissions. While this project focuses on on-farm GHG reductions, corporate agricultural supply chains track and report on a broader set of scope 1, 2 and 3 GHG emissions and carbon removals. The feedstock GHG benefits by growing soybean with climate smart practices that creates climate smart soybean feed that will bring interest from agricultural supply chain corporations acting in the market.
2. Food Grade Soy and Oats Program: With the increase in demand for plant-based products comes the demand for an increased supply of crops for those products. Often, oats are sourced from unknown countries and regions; grown using unsustainable farming practices; and grown on deforested acres. Similar issues exist with food grade soy, as described above. Processing of oats occurs overseas. Infrastructure investments to crush, mill, and process food-grade oats and soy are lacking, and require alternative food product producers to look beyond domestic markets. This results in increased emissions from international transportation and deforestation. While this project focuses on on-farm GHG reductions, corporate agricultural supply chains track and report on a broader set of scope 1, 2 and 3 GHG emissions and carbon removals. The market exists and can expand through this project.
3. Manure Management Program: The dairy supply chain has opportunities to decarbonize. Unfortunately, the solutions are generally too expensive for a farmer to take on alone, and require significant investments in equipment and infrastructure at the dairy. Lack of innovation and investment in manure separation, storage, turning, composting and field application has resulted in increased GHG and methane emissions, as well as increased costs to dairy operations. Manure separation equipment, for example, offers a greater array of sized dairies opportunities to significantly reduce methane ([Aguirre-Villegas 2019](#)).

### Greenhouse Gas Outcomes, Co-Benefits, and Market Benefits

Given the needs described above, the *Transforming the Farmer-to-Consumer Supply Chain with Climate Smart Agriculture Partnerships* proposal will employ existing and emergent

CSA practices to achieve a range of climate smart outcomes. These include, but are not limited to the following:

<b>Action(s)</b>	<b>GHG Outcome(s) and Co-Benefits</b>
<p>A program that invests \$22M+ across 57 projects across 40+ farms focused on improved manure management (turning, separating, composting, spreading, etc.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 19,000+ CO2e ton reduction plus methane reduction co-benefits</li> <li>• Improved manure storage, handling, processing and field applications</li> <li>• Co-benefits to water quality</li> </ul>
<p>A program that invests \$39M+ on 19,000 food grade oat and soy acres across 100 farms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nearly 20,000 CO2e reduction</li> <li>• Ton CO2e reduction is from on-farm practices</li> <li>• Local soybean processing facilities (on-farm extruders) that stimulate local economies</li> <li>• Climate Smart Commodity Plus program provides incentives to transition and implement Climate Smart practices</li> <li>• Local infrastructure reduces transaction costs and opens up markets for local farmers</li> </ul>
<p>A program that invests \$6.7M on 13,000+ soy feedstock acres across 220 farms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15,500+ ton CO2e reduction</li> <li>• Ton CO2e reduction is from on-farm practices</li> <li>• Local soybean processing facilities (on-farm extruders) that stimulate local economies</li> <li>• Climate Smart Commodity Plus program provides incentives to transition and implement Climate Smart practices</li> <li>• Local infrastructure reduces transaction costs and opens up markets for local farmers</li> </ul>

Table 2. Greenhouse Gas Outcomes

### Market Benefits

- Increased definition, understanding, awareness and adoption of CSC practices among producers, including new opportunities for small and underserved producers
- Improved development of and entry into new markets for CSCs, including improved awareness among dairy and alternative food consumers
- Expanded opportunities for farmers to adopt climate smart practices, including improved technical assistance and education support that reduces entry risks for farmers
- Improved farm-level measurements that enable better transparency into farm level ROI
- Improved rural community support, labor force development, training, upskilling and improved market opportunities, including support for historically underserved populations
- Improved testing, traceability, accountability, evaluations and transparency in the oat and soy supply chains, which results in increased trust from the farm to the consumer
- Improved transparency and reliability in land use change accounting, including demonstrable land use change enhancements; high quality carbon sequestration; and water quality/usage and biodiversity co-benefits.

### Approach to minimize transaction costs associated with project activities

This project will employ a multi-faceted approach to reduce producer barriers to Climate-Smart Conservation practice implementation. Financial incentives will be offered as outlined, allowing farmers and producers to transition to climate-smart practices, while reducing the financial burden that comes with implementing new and innovative systems. Our strong focus on farmer technical assistance and network building will allow our farmers to form a trusted network and will be committed to working together to promote climate-smart commodities in the marketplace. With the development of a robust climate-smart transition guide, and the opportunities to receive climate smart transition incentives, technical assistance, and educational opportunities at numerous events; this should remove barriers and challenges farmers face in adopting climate-smart agriculture. Field days and workshops will be part of the partnership with Beck's Hybrids.

### Geographic Focus

Project states (18, 36% of U.S.): CA, ID, IL, IN, KS, ND, SD, MD, MI, MN, NE, NM, NY, OH, PA, TX, UT, WI



## Project Partners Engagement and Project Management

Carbon A List (CAL) has partnered with DNA, SEC, Target, Beck's Hybrids, University of Wisconsin, and will work with over 395 farmers to leverage the opportunities embedded in this 5-year partnership, including the development and expansion of one of the most comprehensive regenerative agriculture programs in the dairy industry. CAL champions agricultural climate projects by helping bring access to knowledge, tools and financing for scale. CAL values fairness, justice, integrity, collaboration, progress, and balance to take action, to benefit farmers, ensure environmental integrity, and focusing on rural community benefits. CAL has experience in working with diverse people and organizations to bring successes in establishing carbon markets, launching and running successful large-scale projects, developing new protocols and methodologies for carbon asset monetization, supporting access to environmental financing, designing protected areas and land management plans, delivering scoping and feasibility studies, and presenting on the carbon market design and target-setting climate pledges.

DNA's soil health initiative is focused on improving the organic matter in soils, which leads to increased carbon sequestration, improved yields, reduced chemical use, restored biodiversity, enhanced soil water holding capacity and improved animal health as a result of increased feed quality. These efforts improve farm economic resilience over the long term. Today, DNA works with 100's of farmers and hundreds of thousands of acres in their Regenerative Ag program.

Through the partnership projects, opportunities are open for all farmers that wish to take part in the projects subject to criteria that ensures open opportunity and science backed identity preservation of the CSC.

## Project Plan Overview

This project will be managed by Carbon A List, which, in partnership with its subsidiary CAL Management Inc., brings a team composed of professionals with over 60 years of experience in program management, farmer training, farmer engagement, grant management, agricultural practice management, carbon markets, ecosystem services and agricultural technologies. In conjunction with our primary project partners, the project will seek to engage 300+ farms, of which 260 are small and/or underserved farms; deploy climate smart practices across 32,000+ acres of oat and soy; implement improved manure management practices across 57 projects involving 30+ dairy farms; all for a total estimated reduction of 35,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e across the 5-year project plan.

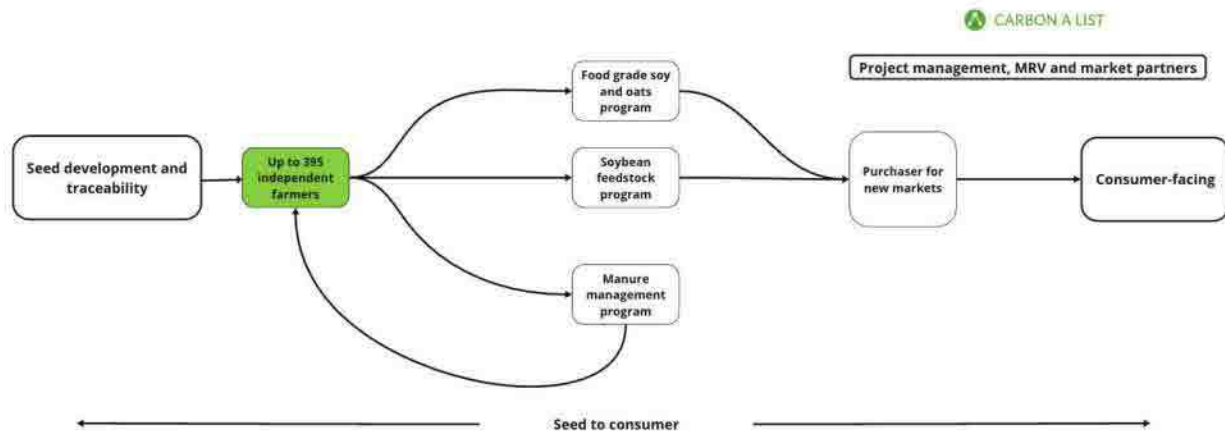


Figure 2 Example of Seed to Consumer Supply Chain for the three sub-projects.

The flow chart above shows how these projects can be connected to create a bridge between plant based and dairy but also can stand alone if needed to bring climate smart commodities to the mainstream.

### Climate Smart Practices to be Employed

The project will work with participating farmers to deploy climate smart practices and methodologies. These are related to two general areas found in varying degrees with all farms associated with the project: cropland soil health and manure management solutions.

### Plan to Recruit Producers and Landowners

In North America, DNA works with approximately 620 producers, operating close to 250,000 acres that supply milk and other commodities for food product production. CAL and DNA will also work with project partners such as Beck's, that bring thousands of farmers into the fold.

To ensure open opportunity and clear communications regarding this project and associated requirements to preserve the CS identity of the commodities, multiple communication strategies will be deployed and evolve with farmer feedback.

### Communications to Small and Underserved Farmers

This project will communicate to small and underserved farmers through several announcement tactics. Announcements to small and underserved farmers will utilize local community groups, local elevators or other influential farmer engagement channels. This project will also be communicated in ways that go beyond typical USDA communications channels as such as, but not limited to, posters on milk trucks, through agribusiness channels, and through agricultural media.

### Plan to Provide Technical Assistance, Outreach, and Training

Farmers will also be invited to all of Beck's field days (5,000+ attendees annually) and Becknology days (12,000+ attendees annually), which provides CSC educational opportunities around practical farm research, ROI, and Climate Smart Markets. DNA will also provide on-



farm consultation for every farm partner that is currently in DNA’s network and will work as external technical advisors for all farms enrolled into the project.

The University of Wisconsin will develop a transitioning Climate Smart Commodity farmer toolbox. A particular emphasis will be placed on key crops, such as the production of Climate Smart soybean. They will work closely with industry partners to coordinate information across key geographic regions (NY, PA, IA, WI, IN). This robust transition guide will be available to any farmer interested in transitioning to a climate-smart operation. Work will include:

- Development of a comprehensive website guiding transitioning and potentially transitioning farmers through the transition process
- Short (2-3 page) PDF fact sheets addressing common concerns and resources related to Climate Smart Commodity transition, highlighting climate-smart practices such as reduced tillage and cover cropping
- Video case studies and podcast series highlighting farmers adapting solutions to common transition issues on their farmers
- Up-to-date, interactive resource lists related to funding Climate Smart Commodity transition, market platforms, and certification recordkeeping options
- Comprehensive support materials related to the funding of Climate Smart Commodity transition (private and public funding strategies, including risk payments and crop insurance options)
- Development of a recordkeeping tool that integrates recordkeeping, farm planning (including integration and assessment of climate smart practices), and profitability analysis, building from the OGRAIN compass tool to include Climate Smart Commodities.

#### *Technical Assistance, Outreach, and Training for Small and Underserved Farmers*

On these small farms, the average herd is 100 cows and some of the work is still done by hand. Many of these farms - most of which are on 100 tillable acres or less - have been in the family for 100+ years. The project and its partners strive to understand and empathize with the cultural concerns of small dairy producers and attempt to accommodate their belief systems in the current realities of the dairy industry. Furthermore, these farmers tend not to accept federal funds directly. Opening direct market opportunities for these farmers will provide them with outlets for their climate smart commodities. As part of this project, DNA will work with both small grain and dairy producers (in- and out-of-network) to provide financial, cultural, social, and educational assistance that will guide them in creating climate-smart commodities, such as soy, oats, and milk, giving them the tools that will provide operational resilience for their families and communities.

### **Project Plan to Provide Financial Assistance**

Through funding mechanisms designed to mitigate the risk farmers and connected processors take on when transitioning their operations to the CSC components of this project, this project will increase supply chain engagement and market building. The funds will also drive additional investment in developing and implementing the appropriate infrastructure needed to access new markets related to climate-smart agriculture. This infrastructure will drive

the supply demands for soybeans, oats, and milk. Incentives will also be appropriated for climate-smart, soil health and manure management practices.

Incentive	Summary Description	Supported Sub-Project(s)
Climate Smart Transition Incentive	Funds will be set aside to develop a Climate Smart Transition incentive for payments made directly to farmers and producers involved with the domestic soybean and soybean meal trials. This incentive will assist in offsetting costs in transitioning to the supply and feed side of the project- making it financially affordable to make the “switch” during the project period. This incentive is needed to enable and facilitate shifts to bring GHG reduction and carbon sequestration benefits. These funds will be provided as an up-front incentive payment to enrolled farmers for education, technical assistance and other similar planning purposes. Farmers that do not maintain enrollment for a minimum amount of time and that cannot complete the program will have to repay this incentive (subject to contractual terms).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soy Feedstock</li> <li>• Soy and Oat Food Grade</li> <li>• Manure Management</li> </ul>
Practice Implementation	Funds will be set aside to develop the Practice Implementation Incentive for payments directly made to farmers and landowners to fund implementation of CSA practices and systems that will reduce and/or sequester carbon and provide co- and ancillary benefits, such as water quality, water quantity, and increased biodiversity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soy Feedstock</li> <li>• Soy and Oat Food Grade</li> </ul>
Market Development	The incentive will be for farmers to sell to climate smart commodity processors that will preserve identity of processed climate smart soybeans. This incentivizes the farmer to utilize this project’s marketing channel for sale of their CSC. Farmers will be required to ensure offtakers of the CSC will agree to preserve the CSC identity. The qualifications and specifications for farms to receive this incentive are referenced in the project narrative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soy Feedstock</li> <li>• Soy and Oat Food Grade</li> </ul>

Manure Management Incentives	Incentive payment structures will seek to compensate farmers for the costs of adopting new climate smart manure management practices, storage, handling and cropland applications, that fit their site-specific needs. Therefore, this program will offer farmers agreements that stack payments for potentially multiple practices to help offset the costs of implementing a new practice over a multi-year agreement to ensure a long-term adoption.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manure Management</li> </ul>
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Table 3 Summary of Project Financial Assistance Incentives

Contracts	Summary Description	Supported Sub-Project(s)
Contract to procure climate smart oats and soybeans	The project will enter into contract(s) with processor(s) for use of the equipment (e.g., on a time or volume basis), MMRV and marketing to accomplish project objectives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soy Feedstock</li> <li>• Soy and Oat Food Grade</li> </ul>

Table 4 Summary of contracts to support market development

### Climate Smart Transition Incentive

A Climate Smart Transition Incentive (“CS Transition Incentive”) will be created to assist farmers in offsetting costs in a) growing and supplying CSC soybeans for food-grade products. This incentive will offset the increased costs that are associated with the transitions and make it financially affordable to make the “switch” during the project period. This includes maintaining supporting transitions on farms beyond crop yield, access to inputs, and weed and fertility management. This fund will support educational and technical assistance support needs on farm. This is to support farmers in education for their skill development and workforce development for implementation of alternative on-farm equipment for practices tied to GHG reductions. The focus of education and workforce development will be for technical assistance or advice for implementing the practices assigned in Table 6 in the project narrative.

#### *Climate Smart Transition Incentive for CSC Feedgrade Soy*

For Feedgrade CSC, the incentive recipient is the dairy farmer purchasing climate smart soybean meal to enable market development for climate smart soybeans. This CS Transition Incentive will be announced to farmers through local elevators or other influential farmer engagement channels. This will be announced in ways that go beyond typical USDA communications channels.

This incentive will be open to any dairy meeting eligibility criteria. We will also establish a robust reporting and verification program that will be developed and implemented by Danone staff. This includes maintaining supporting transitions on farms beyond milk production. This fund will support educational and technical assistance support needs on farm related to purchasing climate smart soybeans for market development.

### *Foodgrade Climate Smart Transition Incentive*

For Foodgrade CSC soy and oats, the incentive recipient is farmer growing climate smart soybeans or oats. This CS Transition Incentive will be announced to farmers through local elevators or other influential farmer engagement channels. This will be announced in ways that go beyond typical USDA communications channels.

This incentive will be open to any farmer meeting eligibility criteria. We will also establish a robust reporting and verification program that will be developed by SEC and implemented by Danone staff, SEC will develop and manage MMRV process. Danone will be the technical assistance for farmers, collecting data for the MMRV process. This is to support farmers in education for their skill development and workforce development for implementation of alternative on-farm equipment for practices tied to GHG reductions. The focus of education and workforce development will be for technical assistance or advice for implementing the practices assigned in Table 6 in the project narrative.

### *Practice Implementation Incentive*

The CSC farmer is the beneficiary of the Practice Implementation Incentive (“PI Incentive”). Funds will be set aside to develop the PI Incentive for payments made directly to landowners to incentivize implementation of CSA practices and systems that will reduce and/or sequester carbon and provide co-and ancillary benefits, such as water quality, water quantity, and increased biodiversity.

We will structure the PI Incentive as a payment for performance-based model. With a performance-based approach, producers submit an application to implement qualifying climate smart practices. Implementation of these practices must be within fields that currently lack and do not have the practice. This project will only pay for the implementation of new practices or combinations of practices that are new to the field. The producer will receive a performance payment based on CO<sub>2</sub>e sequestered or reduced, per ton (\$40-\$60). First-year enrollees will be contractually obligated for five years of CSC implementation. Second year participants will be contractually obligated for four years of CSC implementation and so on.

This will be open to any farmer achieving eligibility requirements. This incentive will be announced to farmers through local elevators or other influential farmer engagement channels. This will be announced in ways that go beyond typical USDA communications channels as well.

We will also set up an “underserved farmer incentive” that will provide monetary incentives to historically underserved, small and minority focused farmers that partake in the program. The project is committing Climate Smart Commodity Plus incentive funds to 40-50% to small and underserved farmers. This incentive will be open to any farmer achieving eligibility requirements as defined by the program. This will be a competitive process. We will establish a robust eligibility, reporting and verification program that will be developed and implemented by Danone staff, SEC and project administrators. Along with constant communication and field visits, assuring the practices are aligned with set standards, we will require the following:

- Photos of practice(s) (before, during and after)
- Engineering design plan(s) (if applicable)
- Planning documentation (if applicable)
- Verification and confirmation of actual completion date of each project
- Continued operational farming data points and any additional details for practice verification.
- Other specific documentation requests for verification as needed.

The project will work with participating farmers to deploy climate smart practices and methodologies. These are related to two general areas found in varying degrees with all farms associated with the project: cropland soil health and manure management solutions. The project will include the following USDA-NRCS practice codes to offer farms a suite of management options: 313\*, 317\*, 327, 328, 329, 332, 340, 342, 345, 367, 382\*, 390, 391, 393, 420, 449\*, 484, 512, 528, 561\*, 578\*, 590, 592, 595\*, 614\*, 632, 634\*, 635\*.

#### *Practice Implementation Technical Assistance*

The incentive will be paired with technical assistance. We will provide strategic technical assistance to all farms and partners that will be a part of the program. Technical assistance will be provided by Danone and SEC We will assist with resource assessment, practical design, planning and implementation.

#### *Practice Implementation Eligible NRCS Practice Codes*

<b>Code</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>GHG benefits (yes/no)</b>	<b>Facilitating practice</b>
327	Conservation Cover (Ac.)	Yes	
328	Conservation Crop Rotation (Ac.)	Yes	595, 449
329	Residue and Tillage Management, No-Till (Ac.)	Yes	
332	Contour Buffer Strips (No.)	Yes	
340	Cover Crop (Ac.)	Yes	
342	Critical Area Planting (Ac.)	Yes	
345	Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till (Ac.)	Yes	
367	Roofs and Covers (No.)	Yes	590
390	Riparian Herbaceous Cover (Ac.)	Yes	
391	Riparian Forest Buffer (Ac.)	Yes	
393	Filter Strip (Ac.)	Yes	
420	Wildlife Habitat Planting (Ac.)	Yes	
484	Mulching (Ac.)	Yes	
512	Pasture and Hay Planting (Ac.)	Yes	
528	Prescribed Grazing (Ac.)	Yes	614, 578, 382
590	Nutrient Management (Ac.)	Yes	313, 317, 561, 634, 635
592	Feed Management (Au.)	Yes	

632	Waste Separation Facility (No.)	Yes	313, 317
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Table 5 NRCS Practice Codes and Facilitating Practices

### Market Development Incentive

The CSC farmer is the beneficiary of the Market Development Incentive (“MD Incentive”). The MD Incentive will create incentives to sell to CSC processors that will preserve the identity of the processed climate smart soybeans and oats. No specific processor will be favored in this incentive and all CSC processors must agree to process the CSC in a way that preserves the CSC identity. This incentivizes the farmer to utilize this project’s marketing channel for sale of their CSC. Farmers will be required to ensure offtakers of the CSC will agree to preserve the CSC identity.

This incentive will be announced to farmers through local elevators or other influential farmer engagement channels. This will be announced in ways that go beyond typical USDA communications channels as well. Eligibility will require the following:

- 500 miles in distance from eligible climate smart commodity processor
- Production of climate smart soybeans or oats (based upon a minimum of USDA definition)
- Documented reduction in GHG emissions and/or sequestration of soil organic carbon based upon program MMRV plan
- Verification of climate smart soybean or oat productions

### *Market Development Incentive Technical Assistance*

Paired with the MD Incentive, the Project will provide strategic technical assistance to all farms and partners that will be a part of the program. Technical assistance will be provided by Danone, and SEC. We will assist with resource assessment, practical design, planning and implementation.

### Competitive processor contracts

The project will establish one to several contract(s) with processor(s) for use of the equipment (e.g., on a time or volume basis), support of marketing, support of MMRV requirements and other associated expenses to accomplish project objectives in extending the defined boundary of USDA climate smart commodities to processed commodities in a “Climate Smart Commodity Plus” program.

Competitive processor contracts will follow appropriate procurement processes. The competitive contracts will include additional incentives based on transparent performance milestones that are included in the request for proposals (RFP) and solicitation process. The RFP and solicitation process will be forthcoming. These contracts will be widely announced via common and recognized processor communication channels such as trade media, social media and websites. In addition, this project will announce the contract opportunity widely through additional channels such as, but not limited to, trade publications and agricultural media.

Eligibility will require but is not limited to:

- Processing of climate smart soybeans or oats (based upon a minimum of USDA definition) to preserve identity in downstream supply chain channel
- Documented and carried reduction in GHG emissions and/or sequestration of soil organic carbon based upon program MMRV plan
- Verification of climate smart soybean or oat production
- Geography
- Market-directed procurement requirements

This project will provide an incentive to source seed from a qualified seed provider, meeting specific certifications and standards to meet climate smart processing quality criteria. Processors play a role in seed selection through quality parameters needed to ensure processed climate smart commodities meet product specifications as directed by the market. Processors will work with farmers to advise on genetics and agronomic practices to ensure quality parameters are met. These engagements ensure consistent quality of climate smart commodities and mitigate against the need to switch suppliers or supply-sheds.

#### *Processing Contract Technical Assistance*

Paired with the Processing Contracts, we will provide strategic technical assistance to all farms and partners that will be a part of the program. Technical assistance will be provided by Danone and SEC. We will assist with resource assessment, practical design, planning and implementation.

#### Manure Management Incentives

Summary:

This project will focus on outreach and implementation in CA, ID, UT, NE, KS, NM, TX, MI, OH, NY, PA, WI.



Estimated farms: At least 40 dairy farms

Aggregated total incentives: \$22.2 million

Eligible practices: *See Table 7.*

Dairy farmers producing CS milk are the beneficiaries of these incentives. We expect to allocate about \$22.2 million towards on-farm incentive payments to help farms add new climate-smart manure management options to their overall systems to improve nutrient management, soil health, evaluate environmental benefits and reduce overall methane emissions. These incentive payment structures will seek to compensate farmers for the costs of adopting new climate smart manure management practices, storage, handling and cropland applications, that fit their site-specific needs. Therefore, this program will offer farmers agreements that stack payments for potentially multiple practices to help offset the costs of implementing a new practice over a multi-year agreement to ensure a long-term adoption.

The project will seek to use average or comparable cost-share rates (as applicable) used by NRCS, and where needed aggregate costs including multiple climate-smart practices over multiple year agreements to compensate farmers for costs related to establishing climate-smart manure management practices. The following practice codes will be used to establish an incentive payment: Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP), Waste Storage Facility (313), Composting Facility (317), Prescribed Grazing (528), Pumping Plant (533), Heavy Use Area Protection (561), Nutrient Management (590), and Waste Separation Facility (632).

Along with the incentive payment structure, the project team will set up an “early adoption/sign up bonus incentive” that will provide a one-time, pre-set monetary amount to farms that sign a multi-year agreement for implementation of climate smart manure management practice(s). Multi-year agreement and associated sign-on incentive will be repeated throughout project period (years 2-4). This will provide a greater incentive for farms to sign up for the program earlier in its inception. We will also set up a small and underserved farmer allocation (40 – 50 percent of the Climate Smart Commodity Plus program) that will provide monetary incentives to historically underserved, small and minority focused farmers that partake in the program.

The states identified have many dairy operations and we believe that farms in these areas will be primed to partake in this program- in effort to begin or continue implementing climate-smart practices that add both environmental and economic value to their operation. This incentive will be announced to farmers through local elevators or other influential farmer engagement channels.

We will create a strategic plan to communicate this program to farms for enrollment and participation. We will do this by drafting appropriate messaging and will use project partners and other strategic partners such as Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Land Grant Extensions, local elevators, etc. to promote this program to all farms that are interested.

The project team will work to develop a set of criteria that will be used to choose projects fairly and accurately. Farms in the states above that meet the forthcoming eligibility criteria will be considered.



*Manure Management Incentives Eligible NRCS Practice Codes*

Code	Name	GHG benefits (yes/no)	Facilitating practice
528	Prescribed Grazing (Ac.)	Yes	614, 578, 382, 576
590	Nutrient Management (Ac.)	Yes	313, 317, 561
632	Waste Separation Facility (No.)	Yes	313, 317
e533c	Variable rate pumps	Yes	

*Table 6 NRCS Practice Codes and Facilitating Practices**Manure Management Incentives Technical Assistance*

Paired with the Manure Management Incentives, we will provide strategic technical assistance to all farms and partners that will be a part of the program. Technical assistance will be provided by Danone and SEC We will assist with resource assessment, practical design, planning and implementation.

## Measurement/Quantification, Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MMRV) Plan

Measurement quantification, monitoring, reporting and verification (MMRV) are critical in the development of CSC. This MMRV framework is repeatable and scalable across many commodities in both row crop and livestock systems. This MMRV system is intended to provide guidance to the community to reduce uncertainty in markets and bring trust with farmers.

### Approach to GHG benefit quantification for Soy and Oats

#### *On-site Sampling for Soy and Oats Programs*

Physical soil samples will be collected by a competitively awarded contractor on each participating farm field in the feed grade soybean and food grade soybean/oat projects. Soil organic carbon and bulk density samples will be collected based upon a stratification approach based upon soil type, yield/production variability, previous soil sample assessment, and other data to assess and manage field scale variability in GHG benefit quantification.

Soil samples will be initially collected in the first year of farm enrollment (year 2 of project period) and follow-up samples will be collected on the same farm in the fifth year of project period. Samples will be collected at consistent calendar times for each participating field in the program (e.g., samples collected in September on a given farm will be collected in September each collection period). Soil organic carbon, bulk density, C mineralization and aggregate stability samples will be collected by experienced and trained service providers to reduce sampling bias and compaction in the field.

All soil organic carbon and bulk density samples will be shipped to the same NAPT accredited soil analysis laboratory for analyses. Soil organic carbon samples will be fine ground and moisture corrected prior to analysis by dry combustion methods. Technical replications and standards will be utilized within and between each sample run to assess precision. A subset of dried, ground soil samples will be archived for verification and monitoring purposes.

Soil sample data will be analyzed for variance and anomalies utilizing appropriate statistical procedures for anomaly detection.

### *Remote Sensing of Participating Fields*

Remote sensing will be utilized to augment and enhance estimation of GHG benefit quantification when farm management, input purchase record, USDA county-level, and physical sample data are limited.

### *Farm Data Collection*

Farm data collection will be prioritized based on direct impacts to GHG emissions and verifiability, and will be collected via farm management software, precision ag technology, or by leveraging existing relationships with farm and partner staff and partners. SEC ag data specialists and DNA staff will leverage existing relationships to meet farmers where they are and engage all producers (especially the underserved farmers in this project) to make the data collection process as seamless as possible while building trust with producer participants.

SEC has a robust method regarding data and information collected associated with both dairy and farm and field level indicators. The data collected meets and exceeds the information required by NRCS. This data is then used to complete any required forms to indicate completion and verification.

SEC EcoPractices software stores and verifies customer specified inputs, farm output attributes and metrics to meet desired outcomes, including but not limited to seed type, chemical type, fertilizer quantities, yield, soil sampling results, precision agricultural files, aerial imagery files, invoices and input purchase records and any other operational data or farm commodities.

EcoPractices also uses local governmental data resources (e.g. USDA NASS Stats, NRCS CMZ data, and local NRCS best management practices) to benchmark the operational data collected from the farmer. All collected data is verified and stored in the EcoPractices EcoProducer cloud-based data storage and archival platform.

### *Modeling Methodology*

Model or simulation approaches will include ensemble modeling methodologies to include COMET-Farm, Cool Farm Tool, and Nutrient Tracking Tool.

To account for field-specific operations, soils, and weather conditions, daily time-step process-based models will be used for quantifying soil-based GHG emissions and tracking nutrient losses. The methodology and approach outlined in this document will use the following tools and methodologies: COMET-Farm GHG tool; Nutrient Tracking Tool (NTT) for estimating soil organic carbon (SOC) stock changes, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, and nutrient and sediment losses; Verra [VM0042](#).

The process below provides additional detail how this specification will be met.

### *Quantifying Climate Smart Oat and Soybean Commodities*

Quantification of the environmental benefit of climate smart oat and soybean commodities will include the following processes:

- A historical GHG emissions and nutrient loss (business as usual (BAU) prior to the adoption of climate smart practice interventions) baseline will be established to predict the potential impacts of the alternative management practices that were adopted under a given carbon

and/or nutrient marketplace. BAU practices will include crop rotation, tillage, fertilizer and manure application timing and rates, and irrigation frequency and water use.

- Overall carbon and GHG benefit of the adopted management practices and model predictions associated with the adoption of a conservation practice (e.g., reducing tillage intensity, the use of cover crops, N-fertilizer reduction, improved N-timing) are compared to baseline model results.
- The COMET-Farm tool requires multiple years of historical “spin-up” data (2000-available data year) to ensure weather and crop rotation variability are captured. It will also establish a baseline carbon stock trajectory prior to predicting SOC changes associated with years of actual management data.
- For years prior to the availability of farm management data, we will parameterize the data by augmenting existing data with NASS Cropland Data Layers and USDA Crop Management Zone operations templates, which will provide regionally and crop specific operations and dates representing typical land management practices.
- Average annual SOC emissions estimates are calculated based on a 10-year projection (length of projection may be altered).

The modeling approach for SOC will ensure additionality of the calculated benefits of climate smart commodities. If the calculated SOC changes do not account for additionality, then the purchase of any climate smart commodity from a potential marketplace would not actually represent an overall reduction of carbon from the atmosphere.

#### *Quantifying Nutrient Offsets ( $NO_3^-$ Leaching and P Loss) for Oat and Soy*

Similar to GHG emissions offsets, nutrient offsets are based on the difference between baseline  $NO_3^-$  leaching and P-loss values and those corresponding with the nutrient fluxes following intervention adoption. We will use the NTT tool to acquire a field-scale platform for quantifying nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment loss from crop and pasture lands. The NTT tool simulates and compares baseline and alternative management scenarios to estimate the impact of conservation practices when applied to a specific field location. The tool is built on the APEX model.

#### Approach to GHG Benefit Quantification for the Manure Program

SEC will implement a dynamic approach to monitor practice implementation based on remote sensing technologies along with on-farm and in-field verification/visits across all three program areas (oat, soybeans and manure).

#### Approach to Reporting and Tracking GHG Benefits

Approaches to reporting and tracking of greenhouse gas will follow dynamic pathways depending upon the project. Oat and soy projects will use SEC's EcoPractices platform to report and track practices, GHG benefits per farm, per commodity produced, dollar expended, and the anticipated longevity of GHG benefits. This will include environmental reporting on GHG emissions ( $CO_2$ ,  $N_2O$ ,  $CH_4$ ), SOC change,  $NO_3^-$  leaching, phosphorus losses, and soil loss due to water erosion and wind erosion are quantified for each specific site, farm, and per commodity produced. These reports will then be used to track dollars expended and the anticipated longevity

of GHG benefits. The same data used to deliver GHG quantification can then be used to drive farm specific ROI.

Results of the site-specific environmental analyses will be used to generate tangible outcomes for the farmer project participants, as well as aggregated reports, dashboards, and the development of Sustainable Continuous Improvement Plans™ (SCIP) detailing land management practice changes that may be most environmentally impactful and cost-effective at each site.

The service includes the following deliverables for the entities identified in this narrative (Carbon A List, Beck’s Hybrids, DNA, SEC, University of Wisconsin – Madison, independent farmers and contractors):

1. Outline of reporting and quantification requirements
2. SEC’s EcoPractices third-party verification
3. Aggregated reporting metrics against supply chain partner KPI’s
4. GHG benefits per commodities produced
5. Dollars expended
6. Anticipated longevity of GHG benefits
7. Executive reports and/or aggregated results data by supply chain partner program
8. Assistance with talking points and results summary information

#### *Using Cool Farm Tool to GHG Benefit Quantification for Manure Program*

For manure management interventions, COMET-Planner does not have the ability to quantify GHG benefits. Cool Farm Tool will be used to assess the impact of practice change on GHG emissions. Cool Farm Tool will be implemented with baseline data from the dairy to set a baseline emissions value. After the manure management intervention is implemented Cool Farm Tool will be rerun with the new manure management system parametrized to represent the new system. The difference between these two simulations will be used to represent the impact of the practice change.

#### **Monitoring of Practice Implementation Across Programs**

This project will utilize a dynamic approach to monitor practice implementation based on remote sensing technologies along with on-farm and in-field verification/visits across all three program areas (oat, soy and manure).

This project will utilize a dynamic approach to monitor practice implementation based on remote sensing technologies along with on-farm and in-field verification/visits across all three program areas (oat, soy and manure). Such verification can be done through a number of different processes to ensure adoption of practices, including precision farm data, work orders, seed purchase receipts, GPD tagged images, remote sensed analytics, on-farm field inspection. Sustainable Environmental Consultants has extensive expertise in data collection, verification, generation of environmental outcomes, and reporting on quantified metrics. SEC and their EcoPractices platform assist the food, beverage and ingredient industries benchmark and track internal sustainability goals by cross-walking on-farm data output (<https://sustainableenviro.com/about-us/>). Sustainable Environmental Consultants delivers field-level quantification and practice verification services for a complete spectrum of environmental impacts including soil health, water quality, carbon sequestration, energy use, and greenhouse

gas emissions. SEC works globally with over 45 different crop species including row crops and specialty crops in addition to animal-systems such as dairy, pork, poultry, and beef.

Project monitoring will utilize a combination of high credibility, low cost and low touch methods to ensure permanence requirements of these proposed projects. These methods will likely rely on indirect methods such as satellite imagery and low cost sensing, but may include review of verification processes, farm operational records, challenges to verification processes at the farm or project level, credential checks on verifiers and key project personnel. These methods will reduce front-end administration costs and ensure greatest value is provided to participating farmers.

#### *Future Project Monitoring*

Project monitoring will continue past the USDA funded project timeline and occur at least every five years or before each verification event if it is less than five years. Project monitoring will utilize a combination of high credibility, low cost and low touch methods to ensure permanence requirements of these proposed projects. These methods will likely rely on indirect methods such as satellite imagery and low-cost sensing, but may include review of verification processes, farm operational records, challenges to verification processes at the farm or project level, credential checks on verifiers and key project personnel. These methods will reduce front-end administration costs and ensure greatest value is provided to participating farmers.

#### Verification

Verification activities will, at a minimum, verify eligibility; review project and farm data; review management systems; and verify emissions estimates. Verification will be conducted at least annually following a risk-based, hybrid assessment to conduct desktop audits, virtual site visits and farm-field site visits. Risk based assessments will be based on effects on and risks to project eligibility. Example areas of risk could include:

- Ownership of GHG rights
- Project compliance with relevant local or federal regulations
- Maintenance and appropriate operation of project equipment
- Adequacy and QA/QC of data collection processes
- Training of project personnel
- Data storage, maintenance and curation
- Data and quantification calculations

Such verification can be done through a number of different processes to ensure adoption of practices, including: precision farm data, work orders, seed purchase receipts, GPD tagged images, remote sensed analytics, on-farm field inspection. Sustainable Environmental Consultants has extensive expertise in data collection, verification, generation of environmental outcomes, and reporting on quantified metrics. SEC and their EcoPractices platform assist the food, beverage and ingredient industries benchmark and track internal sustainability goals by cross-walking on-farm data output (<https://sustainableenviro.com/about-us/>). Sustainable Environmental Consultants delivers field-level quantification and practice verification services for a complete spectrum of environmental impacts including soil health, water quality, carbon sequestration, energy use, and greenhouse gas emissions. SEC works globally with over 45

different crop species including row crops and specialty crops in addition to animal-systems such as dairy, pork, poultry, and beef.

### *GHG Benefit Ownership*

Each farm participant that receives funding for practices or any other system changes that reduces/sequesters GHG's will retain the rights, including the underlying farm's data and environmental assets created throughout the project period. However, each farm participant will sign a "waiver" relinquishing the rights to sell those environmental assets in any available market for at least 5 years (length of the project) to prevent double counting. The participating farms will be required to engage with SEC and their EcoPractices platform. All baseline data, practice change, ecosystem benefits, and appropriate MMRV will be collected. Appropriate methodologies will be followed, ensuring best-in-class accounting practices are adhered to. Danone or any other supply chain company will not hold or convey any environmental assets as a result of this project.

## Climate Smart Commodities Market Plan

By building an end-to-end value chain market for climate smart agricultural commodities, this partnership can create a replicable and referenceable model for multiple entities that share a farming supply chain, whether agricultural input providers, commodities traders, consumer goods manufacturers/brands, or retailers. The benefits of this approach, together, help standardize a supply chain model to create and value climate smart commodities, such as:

1. Multiple participants in a climate smart supply chain can co-invest together with farming partners to both accelerate scale, minimize additional costs, and drive new value.
2. Each entity can contribute appropriate shares of GHG impact towards their Science-Based Targets, or other climate commitments, while reducing the risk of double counting.
3. The aggregate investment will drive the greatest combined value and incentives for farmers to participate in the new market.
4. The overall end-to-end approach considers a direct, traceable link to providing consumers new options.

By leveraging a strong MRV strategy with on-farm data, best-in class public tools such as COMET, independent verifiers and third-party GHG protocol bodies, this partnership will help create a standardized approach to developing GHG outcomes for multiple supply chain entities which ultimately links the GHG outcomes to the climate smart commodities. The ability for others to replicate and leverage the benefits listed above will increase the scale of new market potential. This template can accommodate different commodities, farms and different providers of the same services and technologies leveraged by each partner in this partnership.

The CSC Market Plan will leverage the partnership with DNA and Target to market CSC to consumers, which will assist in creating market demand necessary to keep the market active post project. In order to ensure the consumer and market has confidence in the net-positive impact of CSCs, the MRV strategy described above coupled with the project's incentives to

processors for traceability through our partnerships with DNA, Beck’s Hybrids and SEC, will create a template for others on how to track and preserve the CSC throughout the supply chain.

The outcome of this project is a blueprint and a test case for how to build the CSC market and support farmers and supply chain actors in that endeavor. Post project potential outcomes include:

- Greater financial outcomes for producers who adopt CS practices.
- Greater awareness in the entire oat and soybean supply chains of CS practices, traceability, and marketing.
- Lessons for USDA on how to partner with the private sector for the benefit of farmers and the environment without overburdening or unreasonably increasing costs to the supply chain actors.

This project will have a direct and lasting economic impact to farmers in creating choice and additional market opportunities. The markets will be sustained beyond the duration of the project by partners. It is anticipated that additional consumer facing organizations and market access point organizations will join this effort to expand the market opportunities and ensure longevity in the economic development.

## Commitment to Partnership Network

Carbon A List has identified Nicholas Goeser to participate in the work of the Partnership Network, including but not limited to the development of synthesis reports; knowledge sharing; and discussion and advancement of key CSC goals and objectives.

## Project Advisory Committee

Carbon A List will also assemble a Project Advisory Committee that will provide strategic guidance to the project for optimal impact across climate smart commodity creation and market development. The council will be composed of representatives external to the project from grower, conservation, agricultural industry, agricultural supply chain, food companies, and government organizations with specific expertise relevant to the launch and development of this project and subsequent markets.

Milestones	Measure	Year 1				Q4
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Number of producers enrolled	Total Number Enrolled during time period (Quarter)	0	0	0	0	25
Number of producers involved (involved in the project specifically with dollars exchanging hands)	Total Number in Project	0	0	0	0	25
Number of underserved producers involved	Total Number of underserved in Project	0	0	0	0	10
Number of acres involved	Total Number of acres enrolled in the project	0	0	0	0	3600
Number of head involved (if applicable)	Total Number of cattle enrolled in the project	0	0	0	0	4800
Dollars provided to producers	Total dollar amount for the quarter	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,370,228.99
Dollars provided to small and underserved producers	Total dollar amount for the quarter	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,685,114.49
GHG Benefits (Metric Tons of CO2e Reduced or Sequestered)	Total Metric Tons of CO2e Reduced or sequestered for the Quarter	0	0	0	0	0
Number of new marketing channels* established	A combination rolled up number of: - First-time sales of CSC to Processor - First-time engagement on CSC marketing campaign or marketing/sales collateral - First-time sales to other supply chain partners - First-time direct to consumer sales					
Number of marketing channels* expanded	A combination rolled up number of: - Sales of CSC to Processor - Engagement on CSC marketing campaign or marketing/sales collateral - Sales to other supply chain partners - Direct to consumer sales	0	0	0	0	0
Eligibility Criteria	Milestones					
RFP for Incentives	Milestones					
Number of measurement tools utilized (SEC)	A combination rolled up number: - Active sensors - Soil Samples analyzed - Other	0	0	0	0	500
Outreach, training and other technical assistance by Beck's Hybrids for the project	Number and description of activities, reach (measured by est. people in attendance)	0	250	250	250	250
MMRV and supply chain traceability attributes	Number of Participants and connected supply chain using MMRV and following traceability requirements	0	0	0	0	0
Soil Health Reports (SEC)	Number of Farms	0	0	0	0	0
Farmer Engagement related to Climate Smart Transition Toolkit	Number of Participating Farmers Interviewed	0	0	0	0	0
Development of the Climate Smart Transition Toolkit	Internal review and External Release (U of Wisc.)					
DNA On-Farm Consultations	DNA Manager #1 - #3 Hours	0	0	0	0	780
CAL Management TBD Hiring	Positions Filled	0	3	5	5	0



Milestones	Year 2			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Number of producers enrolled	50	50	50	100
Number of producers involved (involved in the project specifically with dollars exchanging hands)	75	125	175	275
Number of underserved producers involved	10	10	30	20
Number of acres involved	3600	3600	10800	7200
Number of head involved (if applicable)	4800	4800	14400	9600
Dollars provided to producers	\$6,740,457.97	\$6,740,457.97	\$6,740,457.97	\$13,480,915.95
Dollars provided to small and underserved producers	\$3,370,228.99	\$3,370,228.99	\$3,370,228.99	\$6,740,457.97
GHG Benefits (Metric Tons of CO2e Reduced or Sequestered)	6812.5	6812.5	6812.5	6812.5
Number of new marketing channels* established	0	0	30	60
Number of marketing channels* expanded	0	0	30	90
Eligibility Criteria				
RFP for Incentives	Sign Contracts			
Number of measurement tools utilized (SEC)	1000	1500	3000	4000
Outreach, training and other technical assistance by Beck's Hybrids for the project	250	500	500	500
MMRV and supply chain traceability attributes	25	50	50	50
Soil Health Reports (SEC)	20	25	25	25
Farmer Engagement related to Climate Smart Transition Tool	8	8	8	8
Development of the Climate Smart Transition Toolkit				
DNA On-Farm Consultations	3120	3120	3120	3120
CAL Managment TBD Hiring	0	0	0	0

Milestones	Year 3			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Number of producers enrolled	50	20	25	25
Number of producers involved (involved in the project specifically with dollars exchanging hands)	325	345	370	395
Number of underserved producers involved	10	4	6	0
Number of acres involved	3600	1800	1800	0
Number of head involved (if applicable)	4800	2400	2400	0
Dollars provided to producers	\$6,740,457.97	\$2,696,183.19	\$3,370,228.99	\$674,045.80
Dollars provided to small and underserved producers	\$3,370,228.99	\$1,348,091.59	\$1,685,114.49	\$337,022.90
GHG Benefits (Metric Tons of CO2e Reduced or Sequestered)	2725	2725	2725	2725
Number of new marketing channels* established	120	120	60	30
Number of marketing channels* expanded	210	330	390	420
Eligibility Criteria				
RFP for Incentives				
Number of measurement tools utilized (SEC)	4500	4750	5000	5000
Outreach, training and other technical assistance by Beck's Hybrids for the project	2000	6000	4000	2000
MMRV and supply chain traceability attributes	100	50	20	25
Soil Health Reports (SEC)	25	25	25	25
Farmer Engagement related to Climate Smart Transition Tool	8	8	8	8
Development of the Climate Smart Transition Toolkit			Internal Review	Internal Review
DNA On-Farm Consultations	3120	1560	1560	1560
CAL Management TBD Hiring	0	0	0	0

Milestones	Year 4			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Number of producers enrolled	0	0	0	0
Number of producers involved (involved in the project specifically with dollars exchanging hands)	395	395	395	395
Number of underserved producers involved	0	0	0	0
Number of acres involved	0	0	0	0
Number of head involved (if applicable)	0	0	0	0
Dollars provided to producers	\$674,045.80	\$404,427.48	\$269,618.32	\$269,618.32
Dollars provided to small and underserved producers	\$337,022.90	\$202,213.74	\$134,809.16	\$134,809.16
GHG Benefits (Metric Tons of CO <sub>2</sub> e Reduced or Sequestered)	2725	2725	2725	2725
Number of new marketing channels* established	30	30	30	30
Number of marketing channels* expanded	450	480	510	540
Eligibility Criteria				
RFP for Incentives				
Number of measurement tools utilized (SEC)	5000	5000	5000	5000
Outreach, training and other technical assistance by Beck's Hybrids for the project	2000	6000	4000	2000
MMRV and supply chain traceability attributes	25	0	0	0
Soil Health Reports (SEC)	25	25	25	25
Farmer Engagement related to Climate Smart Transition Tool	0	0	0	0
Development of the Climate Smart Transition Toolkit				Release Toolkit
DNA On-Farm Consultations	1560	1560	1560	1560
CAL Managment TBD Hiring	0	0	0	0

Milestones	Year 5			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Number of producers enrolled	0	0	0	0
Number of producers involved (involved in the project specifically with dollars exchanging hands)	395	395	395	395
Number of underserved producers involved	0	0	0	0
Number of acres involved	0	0	0	0
Number of head involved (if applicable)	0	0	0	0
Dollars provided to producers	\$269,618.32	\$269,618.32	\$269,618.32	\$269,618.32
Dollars provided to small and underserved producers	\$134,809.16	\$134,809.16	\$134,809.16	\$134,809.16
GHG Benefits (Metric Tons of CO2e Reduced or Sequestered)	1362.5	1362.5	1362.5	1362.5
Number of new marketing channels* established	30	30	30	30
Number of marketing channels* expanded	570	600	630	660
Eligibility Criteria				
RFP for Incentives				
Number of measurement tools utilized (SEC)	5000	5000	5000	5000
Outreach, training and other technical assistance by Beck's Hybrids for the project	2000	4000	6000	2000
MMRV and supply chain traceability attributes	0	0	0	0
Soil Health Reports (SEC)	25	25	25	25
Farmer Engagement related to Climate Smart Transition Tool	0	0	0	0
Development of the Climate Smart Transition Toolkit				
DNA On-Farm Consultations	780	780	780	780
CAL Management TBD Hiring	0	0	0	0

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**Climate-Smart Practices and Limitations**

Climate-Smart practices under this grant shall be limited to the following practices:

<b>NRCS Practice Code</b>	<b>Practice Name</b>
313*	Waste Storage Facility
317*	Composting Facility
327	Conservation Cover
328	Conservation Crop Rotation
329	Residue and Tillage Management, No-Till
332	Contour Buffer Strips
340	Cover Crop
342	Critical Area Planting
345	Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till
367	Roofs and Covers
382*	Fence
390	Riparian Herbaceous Cover
391	Riparian Forest Buffer
393	Filter Strip
420	Wildlife Habitat Planting
449*	Irrigation Water Management
484	Mulching
512	Pasture and Hay Planting
528	Prescribed Grazing
E533C	Install variable frequency drive(s) on pump(s)
561*	Heavy Use Area Protection
578*	Stream Crossing
590	Nutrient Management
592	Feed Management
595*	Pest Management Conservation System
614*	Watering Facility
632	Waste Separation Facility
634*	Waste Transfer
635*	Vegetated Treatment Area

\* These practices will be implemented in combination with other climate-smart practices listed above without asterisks.

All practices applied under this grant will follow NRCS practice standards unless noted below:

N/A



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## Overview of Reporting Requirements

Grant recipients are required to submit reports to document their performance under the *Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodity* funding opportunity. These submissions will be required to use the Microsoft Excel workbook templates provided by USDA. The workbooks contain a series of worksheets that collect data in a standardized format to ensure data quality and allow for aggregation and summary of this information. The entire workbook must be submitted quarterly, with updates to all applicable worksheets. This guide is divided into three sections. The *Overview of Reporting Requirements* section summarizes the layout of the reporting workbook and presents the data elements included in each worksheet. It also describes additional documents that must be submitted to supplement the performance reports. The *Data Definitions* section provides descriptions and allowable response options for each data element. The guide also indicates whether each data element is required, applicable at times, or optional; as well as how frequently each data element must be updated. Finally, the *Appendices* contain practice and commodity lists that will be used for these reports. Reporting is necessary for USDA oversight of this effort. The data elements required for inclusion in the quarterly performance reports allow USDA to conduct selected audits to review whether producers are receiving federal funds from multiple sources for the same purpose; to determine whether GHG benefits from implementation of climate-smart agriculture and forestry (CSAF) practices are being estimated accurately; and for other purposes deemed appropriate by USDA.

The reporting worksheets collect information at four levels: project, partner, producer, and field. Descriptions of each level:

- Project level:** Information about activities and impacts at a whole project/aggregate level (i.e., reflecting all activities under the grant agreement). Some project-level reporting is further subdivided by commodity type or a combination of commodity and CSAF practice(s) (commodity x practice).
- Partner level:** Information about activities related to a single organization (recipient, subrecipient, contractor, or other partner) within a project.
- Producer level:** Information about individual producers who have one or more farms enrolled in a project.
- Field level:** Information about individual fields enrolled in a project.

Certain data elements are required to be reported for each producer and field enrolled in a project. In order to minimize the burden associated with data collection and to enable USDA to match data to existing records, these producer- and field-specific records must use the producer's established FSA Farm, Tract and Field IDs, and report the State and County associated with the Farm ID. Associated data entered in conjunction with these data elements, such as Producer Name, must match the data contained in the customer's Business Partner record, and the Farm Operating Plan in Business File for that Farm ID. Disclosure of this information is protected under Section 1619 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (PL 110- 246), 7 U.S.C. 8791. Additionally, Departmental Regulation 4370-001 provides USDA's policies for collecting demographic data, including race, ethnicity and gender. Providing demographic information is voluntary and at the discretion of the customer. Demographic information is used by USDA for statistical purposes only and will not be used to determine an applicant's eligibility for programs or services for which they apply.

**Note:** For purposes of this guide, "farm" refers to the operation from which climate-smart commodities are produced and may represent farms, ranches, forests or other operations. Similarly, "field" refers to the individual land units at which climate-smart practices are being implemented to produce climate-smart commodities and may represent lots, farmsteads or other units, depending on the type of operation and commodity. The use of "Farm", "Tract" and "Field" align with the FSA definitions; for example, "A field is a part of a farm that is separated from the balance of the farm by a permanent boundary, such as; fences, permanent waterways, woodlands, croplines in cases where farming practices make it probable that this cropline is not subject to change, and other similar features."



The following tables list the data elements included in each reporting worksheet, along with a brief description of each item.

### Project Summary

These data will be collected about each project. Cumulative results are reported each quarter. Report last quarter's entry if there has been no change in this quarter.

Table 1. Project Summary elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Commodity type	Type of commodity(ies) incentivized by the project	Quarterly
Commodity sales	Indicates sales of the commodity(ies) related to the project occurred this quarter	Quarterly
Farms enrolled	Indicates enrollment activities occurred this quarter	Quarterly
GHG calculation methods	Methods used to calculate greenhouse gas (GHG) benefits	Quarterly
GHG cumulative calculation	Method used to calculate cumulative GHG benefits	Quarterly
Cumulative GHG benefits	Whole project estimate of total GHG (CO <sub>2</sub> e) emission reductions	Quarterly
Cumulative carbon stock	Whole project estimate of total carbon sequestration	Quarterly
Cumulative CO <sub>2</sub> benefit	Whole project estimate of total CO <sub>2</sub> emission reductions	Quarterly
Cumulative CH <sub>4</sub> benefit	Whole project estimate of total CH <sub>4</sub> emission reductions	Quarterly
Cumulative N <sub>2</sub> O benefit	Whole project estimate of total N <sub>2</sub> O emission reductions	Quarterly
Offsets produced	Amount of carbon offsets produced by project	Quarterly
Offsets sale	Name of marketplace where carbon offsets were sold	Quarterly
Offsets price	Price of carbon in offset sales	Quarterly
Insets produced	Amount of carbon insets produced by project	Quarterly
Cost of on-farm TA	Cost of on-farm technical assistance (TA) provided to producers	Quarterly
MMRV cost	Cost of measurement, monitoring, reporting, and verification (MMRV) activities	Quarterly
GHG monitoring method	Methods used by project to monitor GHG benefits (up to 5)	Quarterly
GHG reporting method	Methods used by project to report on GHG benefits (up to 5)	Quarterly
GHG verification method	Methods used to verify GHG benefits (up to 5)	Quarterly


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### Partner Activities

These data will be collected at the project level. Each row in this worksheet will represent one organization involved in the project, including the recipient and all contributing partners. A partner is any organization that is receiving project funds or providing matching contributions (funds or in-kind contributions) to the project. While the recipient must complete one row for their own organization, not all data elements apply to the recipient. These exceptions are noted in the detailed descriptions of the specific elements in the *Data Definitions* section of this guide. Data are reported cumulatively each quarter. Report last quarter's entry if there has been no change in this quarter.

Table 2. Partner Activities elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Partner ID	Unique ID for each partner	One-time
Partner name	Name of partner organization	One-time
Partner type	Type of organization	One-time
Partner POC	Partner point of contact name	As applicable
Partner POC email	Partner point of contact email	As applicable
Partnership start date	Start of partnership on project	One-time
Partnership end date	End of partnership on project	As applicable
New partnership	Indicator for partner organizations that have no prior work with the recipient	As applicable
Partner total requested	Total amount requested to date by partner from recipient	Quarterly
Total match contribution	Total amount of match contribution by partner to date	Quarterly
Total match incentives	Total amount of match contribution by partner for incentives	Quarterly
Match type	Top 3 types of match contribution by partner, other than incentives	Quarterly
Match amount	Value of match contributions by type	Quarterly
Training provided	Top 3 types of training provided to the partner through project	Quarterly
Activity by partner	Top 3 types of activities provided by this partner to producers or other partners	Quarterly
Activity cost	Approximate cost per activity type provided by partner to producers or other partners	Quarterly
Products supplied	Names of products supplied to producers as part of project activities or incentives	Quarterly
Product source	Supplier or source of products supplied to producers as part of project activities or incentives	Quarterly

### Marketing Activities

These data will be collected at the project level. Each row in this worksheet will correspond to one commodity for which the project enrolls fields and one marketing channel used to sell that commodity by the project or producers enrolled in the project. Data are reported for the current quarter and are not cumulative. If no sales of the commodity were reported during a quarter, do not complete this worksheet for that quarter.

Table 3. Marketing Activities elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Commodity type	Type of commodity incentivized by the project	Quarterly
Marketing channel type	Type of marketing channels used	Quarterly
Number of buyers	Number of buyers per marketing channel	Quarterly
Names of buyers	Names of buyers in the marketing channel	Quarterly
Marketing channel geography	Geography of marketing channel	Quarterly
Value sold	Value of commodity sold by marketing channel	Quarterly
Volume sold	Volume of commodity sold by marketing channel	Quarterly
Price premium	Price premium of commodity by marketing channel	Quarterly
Price premium to producer	Percent of price premium that goes to the producer	Quarterly
Product differentiation method	Top 3 types of product differentiation methods used	Quarterly
Marketing method	Top 3 types of marketing methods used	Quarterly
Marketing channel identification method	Top 3 ways marketing channel was identified	Quarterly
Traceability method	Top 3 types of supply chain traceability methods used	Quarterly

### Producer Enrollment

These data will be collected at the producer level about each farm enrolled in the project. In this worksheet, each row will correspond to one farm that has at least one field enrolled in the project. Data are reported when a producer first enrolls one or more fields in the project. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the farm characteristics each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates. The quarterly submission should contain information about each farm initially enrolled in the project during that quarter and for updates to farms that have re-enrolled during that quarter, as applicable. If no farms are enrolled during that quarter, do not complete this worksheet for that quarter.

Table 4. Producer Enrollment elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA	
State or territory	State name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)	
County of residence	County name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)	
Producer data change	Indicator that producer data was updated at re-enrollment	As applicable
Producer start date	Contract start date	Enrollment
Producer name	Name of primary operator	Enrollment
Underserved status	Indicator the primary operator is considered underserved and/or a small producer	Enrollment
Total area	Total area of enrolled operation	Annual
Total crop area	Total crop area in enrolled operation enrolled	Annual
Total livestock area	Total livestock confinement, pasture and rangeland in enrolled operation	Annual
Total forest area	Total forest area in enrolled operation	Annual
Livestock type	Top 3 types of livestock on enrolled operation	Annual
Livestock head	Total livestock currently managed (by type)	Annual
Organic farm	Indicator that part of the farm is certified or transitioning organic	Annual
Organic fields	Indicator that any of the enrolled fields are certified or transitioning organic	Annual
Producer motivation	Motivation for participation	Annual
Producer outreach	Top 3 types of outreach provided to producer	Annual
CSAF experience	Indicator of prior implementation of CSAF practices at this farm	Annual
CSAF federal funds	Indicator of prior receipt of federal funds for CSAF practices	Annual
CSAF state or local funds	Indicator of prior receipt of state funds for CSAF practices	Annual
CSAF nonprofit funds	Indicator of prior receipt of nonprofit funds for CSAF practices	Annual
CSAF market incentives	Indicator of prior receipt of market incentives for CSAF practices	Annual

### Field Enrollment

These data will be collected about each field enrolled in the project. In this worksheet, each row corresponds to one field x commodity combination enrolled in the project. Generally, data are reported once for each field, at its initial enrollment. The quarterly submission should contain information about each field initially enrolled in the project during that quarter. If no fields are enrolled during that quarter, do not complete this worksheet for that quarter. If a field is enrolled for multiple years, any relevant changes, such as a new ID number or changes to the commodity or practice combinations should be entered in this worksheet during the quarter it is re-enrolled, or as applicable.

Table 5. Field Enrollment elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>
Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA
State or territory of field	State name
Physical County of field	Physical county name must match FSA farm records
Prior Field ID	Previous Field ID when reconstitution of farm results in new Field IDs
Field data change	Indicator that field data has changed from initial enrollment
Contract start date	Start date of contract
Total field area	Size of enrolled field
Commodity category	Category of commodity(ies) produced
Commodity type	Type of commodity(ies) produced
Baseline yield	Average yield of commodity in 3 years prior to enrollment
Baseline yield location	Location for which baseline yield is provided
Field land use	Most common land use in field in past 3 years
Field irrigated	Most common irrigation type in field in past 3 years
Field tillage	Most common tillage in field in past 3 years
Practice past extent - farm	Extent of operation that implemented this practice prior to project enrollment
Field any CSAF practice	Indicator for prior CSAF practices in this field in past 3 years
Practice past use - this field	Indicator of prior use of this practice in this field in the past 3 years
Practice type	CSAF practice(s) that will be implemented in enrolled field (up to 7)
Practice standard	Organization that developed CSAF practice standard implemented in field
Planned practice implementation year	Year that practice is planned to be implemented
Practice extent	Area or number of animals for which practice is implemented
Follow-on questions	Follow-on questions by practice type (see Table 11)

### Farm Summary

These data will be collected about each farm enrolled in the project. In this worksheet, each row will correspond to one farm that has at least one field enrolled in the project. The quarterly submission should contain updates to any data elements that have changed for each farm enrolled in the project during that quarter. If there are no changes from the previous quarter, do not complete this worksheet for that quarter. Data are not cumulative.

Table 6. Farm Summary elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA	
State or territory	State name	
County of residence	County name	
Producer TA received	Type of technical assistance provided to producer	Quarterly
Producer incentive amount	Total financial incentive provided to the producer	Quarterly
Incentive reason	Top 4 reason(s) for financial incentives provided to producer	Quarterly
Incentive structure	Top 4 units on which financial incentives are structured	Quarterly
Incentive type	Top 4 type(s) of financial incentives provided to producer	Quarterly
Payment on enrollment	Extent of payment provided to producer upon enrollment	Quarterly
Payment on implementation	Extent of payment provided to producer upon implementation of CSAF practices	Quarterly
Payment on harvest	Extent of payment provided to producer upon harvest or slaughter	Quarterly
Payment on MMRV	Extent of payment provided to producer upon reporting or verification	Quarterly
Payment on sale	Extent of payment provided to producer upon sale of commodity	Quarterly

### Field Summary

These data will be collected about each field enrolled in the project for a commodity x practice(s) combination. In this worksheet, each row will correspond to one field x commodity x practice(s) combination enrolled in the project. Data for each field will be reported quarterly and are not cumulative. Report data for any elements that have an update in that quarter. Greenhouse gas benefit estimates must be entered upon practice completion or annually, as appropriate. If there are no changes from the previous quarter, do not complete this worksheet for that quarter. This worksheet includes a section to report the “official” estimate of GHG benefits – amounts of greenhouse gas emissions reduced and carbon sequestered – for the field. These quantities refer to the estimates that are used to calculate the project’s aggregate impact (reported in Table 1). Tables 8 and 9 are used to report alternate estimates of the field-level GHG benefits when additional methods are used to model (Table 8) or measure (Table 9) these impacts. Any field that can use COMET-Planner must submit those results, either as the official or alternate model.

Table 7. Field Summary elements

Data element name	Description	Frequency
Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA	
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA	
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA	
State or territory of field	State name	
County of field	County name	
Commodity type	Type of commodity produced from field	Quarterly
Practice type	Type of practice(s) incentivized in field (up to seven)	Quarterly
Date practice complete	Date that practice implementation is certified complete	Quarterly
Contract end date	End date of contract	Quarterly
MMRV assistance provided	Indicator that MMRV assistance is provided to field	Quarterly
Marketing assistance provided	Indicator that marketing assistance provided for commodity from field	Quarterly
Incentive per acre or head	Indicator that a per acre/head incentives is provided for the CSAF practice(s) on this field	Quarterly
Field commodity value	Value of commodity produced from field	Quarterly
Field commodity volume	Volume of commodity produced from field	Quarterly
Cost of implementation	Total cost of practice implementation in field	Quarterly
Cost coverage	Percent of total cost of implementation of practice covered by project incentives	Quarterly
Field GHG monitoring	Methods used to monitor GHG benefits in field (up to 3)	Quarterly
Field GHG reporting	Methods used to report on GHG benefits for field (up to 3)	Quarterly
Field GHG verification	Methods used to verify GHG benefits for field (up to 3)	Quarterly
Field GHG calculations	Methods used to calculate GHG benefits for field	Quarterly
Field official GHG calculation	Method used to calculate official GHG benefits for field	Quarterly
Field official GHG ER	Official estimate of total GHG emission reductions for field	Quarterly
Field official carbon stock	Official estimate of total carbon sequestration for field	Quarterly
Field official CO2 ER	Official estimate of total CO2 emission reductions for field	Quarterly
Field official CH4 ER	Official estimate of total CH4 emission reductions for field	Quarterly
Field official N2O ER	Official estimate of total N2O emission reductions for field	Quarterly
Field offsets produced	Amount of carbon offsets produced in field	Quarterly
Field insets produced	Amount of carbon insets produced in field	Quarterly
Other field measurements	Indicator that field data was collected for reasons other than GHG benefit estimation	Quarterly

### GHG Benefits - Alternate Modeled

If greenhouse gas benefits are modeled for the same field using multiple methods, the results for the alternate models are reported in this worksheet. The “alternate” models refer to those model results that were not used in the calculation of the project’s aggregate impact (as reported in Table 1). Any field that can use COMET-Planner must submit those results, either as the official or alternate model. These data will be collected about the modeled GHG benefits for each field x commodity x practice(s) combination. In this worksheet, each row will correspond to one field enrolled in the project. Data are not cumulative. Each quarterly submission should include information for all fields that have new modeled data. Greenhouse gas benefit estimates must be entered upon practice completion or annually, as appropriate.

Table 8. GHG Benefits – Alternate Modeled elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA	
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA	
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA	
State or territory of field	State name	
County of field	County name	
Commodity type	Type of commodity(ies) produced from the field (up to 6)	Annual
Practice type	Type of practice(s) incentivized in field (up to 7)	Annual
GHG model	Model used to calculate GHG benefits	Annual
Model start date	Start date of model run	Annual
Model end date	End date of model run	Annual
Total GHG benefits estimated	Estimate of total GHG benefits for field	Annual
Total carbon stock estimated	Estimate of total change in carbon stock for field	Annual
Total CO2 estimated	Estimate of total CO2 emission reductions for field	Annual
Total CH4 estimated	Estimate of total CH4 emission reductions for field	Annual
Total N2O estimated	Estimate of total N2O emission reductions for field	Annual



### GHG Benefits - Measured

Projects must report the results of any carbon stock or greenhouse gas emission measurements in this worksheet. These data will be collected at the field level. Each row will represent a separate measurement method used to calculate GHG benefits for a given field. Data are reported once per year of measurement and are not cumulative. Each quarterly submission should include information for any field for which there are new soil samples or new calculations of annual GHG benefits based on actual measurements.

Table 9. GHG Benefits - Measured data elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA	
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA	
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA	
State	State name	
County	County name	
GHG measurement method	Method of measurement	Annual
Lab name	Entity that conducted analysis	Annual
Measurement start date	Start date of measurements	Annual
Measurement end date	End date of measurements	Annual
Total CO <sub>2</sub> reduction calculated	Calculation of total CO <sub>2</sub> reduction	Annual
Total carbon stock change calculated	Calculation of change in carbon stock	Annual
Total CH <sub>4</sub> reduction calculated	Calculation of total CH <sub>4</sub> reduction	Annual
Total N <sub>2</sub> O reduction calculated	Calculation of total N <sub>2</sub> O reduction	Annual
Soil sample result	Numeric result from soil sample	Annual
Measurement type	Type of analysis conducted	Annual

### Additional Environmental Benefits

Projects that track additional environmental benefits (e.g., water quality improvements) from enrolled fields report results in this worksheet. These data will be collected about each field. Each row in this worksheet will correspond to an enrolled field. Data are not cumulative. Estimates of environmental benefits must be entered upon practice completion or annually, as appropriate.

Table 10. Additional Environmental Benefits elements

<b>Data element name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA	
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA	
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA	
State	State name	
County	County name	
Environmental benefits	Indicator that project tracks other environmental benefits	Annual
Reduction in nitrogen loss	Indicator that project tracks reductions in nitrogen loss	Annual
Amount	Amount	Annual
Purpose	Purpose of tracking those co-benefits	Annual
Reduction in phosphorus loss	Indicator that project tracks reductions in phosphorus loss	Annual
Amount	Amount	Annual
Purpose	Purpose of tracking those co-benefits	Annual
Other water quality	Indicator that project tracks other water quality improvements	Annual
Type	Type of water quality metric being tracked	Annual
Amount	Amount	Annual
Purpose	Purpose of tracking those co-benefits	Annual
Water quantity	Indicator that project tracks reduced water use	Annual
Amount	Amount	Annual
Purpose	Purpose of tracking those co-benefits	Annual
Reduced erosion	Indicator that project tracks reductions in soil erosion	Annual
Amount	Amount	Annual
Purpose	Purpose of tracking those co-benefits	Annual
Reduced energy use	Indicator that project tracks reductions in energy use	Annual
Amount	Amount	Annual
Purpose	Purpose of tracking those co-benefits	Annual
Avoided land conversion	Indicator that project tracks reductions in land conversion	Annual
Amount	Amount	Annual
Purpose	Purpose of tracking those co-benefits	Annual
Improved wildlife habitat	Indicator that project tracks improvements in wildlife habitat	Annual
Amount	Amount	Annual
Purpose	Purpose of tracking those co-benefits	Annual

### Supplemental Data Submission

#### Project MMRV Plan

##### *Definition of MMRV elements:*

**Measurement:** Quantification of the greenhouse gas benefits (reduction or capture) using mathematical models and/or direct physical measurements in the field

**Monitoring:** Ongoing review and confirmation that the climate-smart practice has been implemented according to the agreed upon standard and documentation of any changes in the site, implementation, or GHG emissions impacts over time

**Reporting:** Documenting and sharing monitoring and measurement results with project partners, the recipient, and any third-party verification organization

**Verification:** Independent confirmation that measurement, monitoring and reporting information are complete, accurate and reliable.

Projects must submit an MMRV plan that includes details about how each of the following are addressed:

- Quantification approach, including:
  - GHG models used
  - GHG measurement plan (if applicable)
  - Approach to quantifying additional environmental benefits, if applicable (e.g., water quality, habitat)
- Verification approach:
  - Compliance criteria
  - Verification plan/methodology
- Approach to ensuring:
  - Additionality
  - Permanence
  - Leakage
  - Impacts of weather
- Plan for non-compliance

If the project is using a specific MMRV methodology or approach developed by the recipient, a project partner, or an outside organization, the project can submit documentation associated with the methodology as long as the documentation addresses each of the above categories.

If the project is tracking other environmental benefits (as reported in the *Additional Environmental Benefits* worksheet), include a description of the methodology and tools used to track and report on these benefits.

#### Field modeled GHG benefit reports

Results from any models besides COMET-Planner used to estimate GHG benefits must also be submitted as a separate report. This includes projects running COMET-Farm. The full results of any model can be submitted in the native/standard format generated by the modeling tool and must include the following Unique IDs in the report or in the file name: State, County, Farm ID, Tract ID, Field ID.

#### Field direct measurement results

For any direct physical measurements in the field, measurement results must be submitted as a separate report and must include the following Unique IDs in the report or in the file name: State, County, Farm ID, Tract ID, Field ID. Measurement results reports must include the name of the equipment used for sampling or data collection, the name of the lab that analyzed the data, and the analytical method used.

Sample report types include soil analysis reports, summarized results of portable emissions analyzers or flux towers, water quality analyses, and plant species counts. These could be collected for the purposes of determining GHG emission reductions or carbon sequestration amounts, for calibration of tools or models, for tracking other environmental benefits, or for other reasons.

### Data Descriptions

This section provides descriptions and allowable response options for each data element. The guide also indicates whether each data element is required, applicable at times, or optional; as well as how frequently each data element must be updated.

### Unique IDs

**Project ID:** Unique ID at the project level – “Award Identifying Number” shown on award documentation

**Partner ID:** Unique ID at the partner level – use EIN; if no EIN, a unique ID will be assigned for use in these reports

**State or territory of operation:** State or territory name

**County of operation:** Physical county name

**Farm ID:** Unique ID at the operation level assigned by Farm Service Agency (FSA)

**Tract ID:** Unique ID at the tract level assigned by FSA

**Field ID:** Unique ID at the field level assigned by FSA

### Project Summary

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#### Commodity type

<b>Data element name:</b> Commodity type	<b>Reporting question:</b> What climate-smart commodity types are produced by this project?
<b>Description:</b> Type of commodity incentivized by the project. These commodities include those for whom farmers are directly receiving incentives or other types of marketing support. See full list of commodity options in Appendix B. List one commodity per row.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> FSA commodity list
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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#### Commodity sales

<b>Data element name:</b> Commodity sales	<b>Reporting question:</b> Did project activities result in sales this quarter of the commodity(ies) produced by this project?
<b>Description:</b> Indicator of sales of commodity(ies) related to project activities. If sales are reported, complete the <i>Marketing Activities</i> worksheet (Table 3) as part of the quarterly performance report.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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#### Farms enrolled

<b>Data element name:</b> Farms enrolled	<b>Reporting question:</b> Did the project enroll any producers or fields this quarter?
<b>Description:</b> Indicator that the project enrolled producers or fields. If enrollment activities occurred this quarter, complete the <i>Producer Enrollment</i> and <i>Field Enrollment</i> worksheets (Tables 4 and 5) as part of the quarterly performance report.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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#### GHG calculation methods

<b>Data element name:</b> GHG calculation methods	<b>Reporting question:</b> What methods is the project using to calculate GHG benefits?
<b>Description:</b> List the way(s) that GHG benefits are being measured and calculated by the project this quarter.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Models</li> <li>• Direct field measurements</li> <li>• Both</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**GHG cumulative calculation**

<b>Data element name:</b> GHG cumulative calculation	<b>Reporting question:</b> What method(s) was used to calculate the total cumulative GHG benefits reported here?
<b>Description:</b> List the method(s) that was used to calculate the total cumulative GHG benefits reported by the project this quarter.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Models</li> <li>• Direct field measurements</li> <li>• Both</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Cumulative GHG benefits**

<b>Data element name:</b> Cumulative GHG benefits	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the project's estimated total GHG emission reductions (CO <sub>2</sub> eq) to date?
<b>Description:</b> Total cumulative estimated greenhouse gas emission reductions from practice implementation. This is updated quarterly. If there are no changes, enter the same number as the previous quarter.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Cumulative carbon stock**

<b>Data element name:</b> Cumulative carbon stock	<b>Reporting question:</b> How much carbon has the project sequestered to date?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated total cumulative change in carbon stock based on practice implementation. This is updated quarterly. If there are no changes, enter the same numbers as the previous quarter. Conversion rate is one ton of carbon = 3.67 tons of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Cumulative CO<sub>2</sub> benefit**

<b>Data element name:</b> Cumulative CO <sub>2</sub> benefit	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the project's estimated total cumulative CO <sub>2</sub> emission reductions to date?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated total cumulative carbon dioxide emission reductions based on practice implementation. This is updated quarterly. If there are no changes, enter the same number as the previous quarter.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub>	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Cumulative CH<sub>4</sub> benefit**

<b>Data element name:</b> Cumulative CH <sub>4</sub> benefit	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the project's estimated total CH <sub>4</sub> emission reductions to date?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated total cumulative methane reduction based on practice implementation. This is updated quarterly. If there are no changes, enter the same numbers as the previous quarter. Conversion rate is one ton of CH <sub>4</sub> = 25 tons of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CH <sub>4</sub> reduced in CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Cumulative N2O benefit**

<b>Data element name:</b> Cumulative N2O benefit	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the project's estimated total N2O emission reductions to date?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated total cumulative nitrous oxide reduction based on practice implementation. This is updated quarterly. If there are no updated numbers enter the same number as the previous quarter. Conversion rate is one ton of N <sub>2</sub> O = 298 tons of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons N2O reduced in CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Offsets produced**

<b>Data element name:</b> Offsets produced	<b>Reporting question:</b> How many carbon offsets have been produced in the project?
<b>Description:</b> Total carbon offsets produced by enrolled project fields during the quarter. Offsets are defined as having been verified and certified using an accepted standard and sold into the carbon marketplace.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Offsets sale**

<b>Data element name:</b> Offsets sale	<b>Reporting question:</b> To what marketplace(s) were carbon offsets sold?
<b>Description:</b> Marketplaces to which carbon offsets produced by enrolled project fields were sold. Offsets are defined as having been verified and certified using an accepted standard and sold into the carbon marketplace. List each marketplace name. Separate names with commas.	
<b>Data type:</b> Text	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Name	<b>Allowed values:</b> Text
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if >0 to 'Offsets produced'	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Offsets price**

<b>Data element name:</b> Offsets price	<b>Reporting question:</b> What was the average price of carbon received for offsets?
<b>Description:</b> Average price per metric ton paid for carbon offsets produced by enrolled project fields. Offsets are defined as having been verified and certified using an accepted standard and sold into the carbon marketplace.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Dollars per metric ton	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-500
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if >0 to 'Offsets produced'	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Insets produced**

<b>Data element name:</b> Insets produced	<b>Reporting question:</b> How many carbon insets have been produced in the project?
<b>Description:</b> Total carbon insets produced by enrolled fields during the quarter. Insets are defined as having been verified and certified using an accepted standard and accounted for within Scope 3 emissions for a firm.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Cost of on-farm TA**

<b>Data element name:</b> Cost of on-farm TA	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the total amount that has been spent to provide on-farm TA?
<b>Description:</b> Total cost of any field- or practice-specific technical assistance provided by the project (by recipient or partners) to any producers. This is updated quarterly. If there are no changes, enter the same number as the previous quarter.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Dollars	<b>Allowed values:</b> \$0-\$50,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**MMRV cost**

<b>Data element name:</b> MMRV cost	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the total amount that has been spent on MMRV activities?
<b>Description:</b> Total cost of all MMRV activities paid for by the project (recipient or partners). MMRV components are defined as measurement (calculations or estimations of GHG emissions), monitoring (ongoing review and confirmation that the climate-smart practices have been implemented according to the agreed upon standard and documentation of any changes in the site, implementation, or GHG emissions impacts over time), reporting (documenting and sharing monitoring and measurement results with project partners, the recipient, and any third-party verification organization), and verification (independent confirmation that measurement, monitoring and reporting information are complete, accurate and reliable). This is updated quarterly. If there are no changes, enter the same number as the previous quarter.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Dollars	<b>Allowed values:</b> \$0-\$50,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**GHG monitoring method**

<b>Data element name:</b> GHG monitoring 1-5	<b>Reporting question:</b> How did the project monitor GHG benefits?
<b>Description:</b> Up to the five most common forms of monitoring GHG benefits used this quarter as part of MMRV requirements. Monitoring is defined as ongoing review and confirmation that the climate-smart practice has been implemented according to the agreed upon standard and documentation of any changes in the site, implementation, or GHG emissions impacts over time. Include up to 5 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this project. The worksheet provides five columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 5 GHG monitoring methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other GHG monitoring methods as free text.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drones</li> <li>• Ground-level photos and videos</li> <li>• On-farm visit</li> <li>• Plot-based sampling</li> <li>• Producer records or attestation</li> <li>• Satellite monitoring or remote sensing</li> <li>• Soil metagenomics</li> <li>• Soil sensors</li> <li>• Water sensors</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**GHG reporting method**


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**Data element name:** GHG reporting 1-5**Reporting question:** How did the project track and report implementation of practices to reduce GHG emissions?

**Description:** Up to the five most common forms of tracking and reporting on practice implementation used this year as part of MMRV requirements. Reporting is defined as documenting and sharing monitoring and measurement results with project partners, the recipient, and any third-party verification organization. Include up to 5 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this project. The worksheet provides five columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 5 GHG reporting methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other GHG reporting methods as free text.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Automated devices
- Email
- Mobile app
- Paper
- Third-party actors
- Website
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Project**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**GHG verification method**


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**Data element name:** GHG verification method 1-5**Reporting question:** How did the project verify implementation of practices to reduce GHG emissions?

**Description:** Up to the five most common forms of verifying practice implementation used this year as part of MMRV requirements. Verification is defined as independent confirmation that measurement, monitoring and reporting information are complete, accurate and reliable. Include up to 5 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this project. The worksheet provides five columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 5 GHG verification methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other GHG verification methods as free text.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Artificial intelligence
- Audit by recipient
- Computer modeling
- Photos
- Record audit
- Satellite imagery
- Site or field visit
- Third-party audit
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Project**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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Partner Activities

**Unique IDs**

Partner ID	Unique Project ID for each partner
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**Partner name**

<b>Data element name:</b> Name of partner organization	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the official name of the recipient or partner organization?
<b>Description:</b> Legal name of recipient or partner organization	
<b>Data type:</b> Text	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> NA	<b>Allowed values:</b> Text
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Partner	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Partnership initiation

**Partner type**

<b>Data element name:</b> Type of partner organization	<b>Reporting question:</b> What type of organization is this?
<b>Description:</b> Legal/financial structure of recipient or partner organization	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commodity groups (501c5)</li> <li>• For-profit</li> <li>• Individual</li> <li>• Nonprofit</li> <li>• State or local agency</li> <li>• Tribal agency</li> <li>• University</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Partner	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Partnership initiation

**Partner POC**

<b>Data element name:</b> Partner POC	<b>Reporting question:</b> Who is the point of contact for this project at the recipient or partner organization?
<b>Description:</b> Name of a point of contact for the recipient or partner organization	
<b>Data type:</b> Text	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> NA	<b>Allowed values:</b> Text
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Partner	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Partnership initiation; update as necessary

**Partner POC email**

<b>Data element name:</b> Partner POC email	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the point of contact's email address?
<b>Description:</b> Email of the point of contact for the recipient or partner organization	
<b>Data type:</b> Text	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> NA	<b>Allowed values:</b> Text
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Partner	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Partnership initiation; update as necessary

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**Partnership start date**

<b>Data element name:</b> Partnership start date	<b>Reporting question:</b> When did the partnership start?
<b>Description:</b> Date that the partner organization and the recipient began formally partnering on the project	
<b>Data type:</b> Date	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> MM/DD/YYYY	<b>Allowed values:</b> 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2030
<b>Logic:</b> No response for recipient	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Partner	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Partnership initiation

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**Partnership end date**

<b>Data element name:</b> Partnership end date	<b>Reporting question:</b> When did the partnership end?
<b>Description:</b> Date that the partner organization and the recipient stopped formally partnering on the project	
<b>Data type:</b> Date	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> MM/DD/YYYY	<b>Allowed values:</b> 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2030
<b>Logic:</b> No response for recipient	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Partner	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Partnership end quarter

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**New partnership**

<b>Data element name:</b> New partnership	<b>Reporting question:</b> Is this a new partnership?
<b>Description:</b> A new partnership means that the recipient and the partner organization have not had a formal working relationship (under contract or on a grant) prior to the start of the project.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> No response for recipient	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Partner	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Partnership initiation

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**Partner total requested**

<b>Data element name:</b> Partner total requested	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the total amount of funding the partner has requested to date from this project?
<b>Description:</b> Cumulative (total) amount of funds that the partner has requested reimbursement for from the recipient from the start of the partnership to the end of the reporting quarter. For each quarter's data entry, the value must be the sum of all previous entries plus the amount of funds requested in the reporting quarter. If there are no changes, report the value from the previous quarter.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Dollars	<b>Allowed values:</b> \$0-\$100,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> No response for recipient	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Partner	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Total match contribution**


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**Data element name:** Total match contribution**Reporting question:** What is the total match value the organization has contributed to the project to date?

**Description:** Cumulative (total) value of funds and in-kind contributions (e.g., staff time, inputs, equipment rental, marketing support) that the partner has provided as a project match contribution from the start of the partnership to the end of the reporting quarter. For each quarter's data entry, the value must be the sum of all previous entries plus match contributions in the reporting quarter. If there are no changes, report the value from the previous quarter.

**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** NA**Measurement unit:** Dollars**Allowed values:** \$0-\$100,000,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Partner**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Total match incentives**


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**Data element name:** Total match incentives**Reporting question:** What is the total value of match provided by this organization for producer incentives?

**Description:** Cumulative (total) value of funds for incentive payments directly to producers that the partner has provided as a project match contribution from the start of the partnership to the end of the reporting quarter. For each quarter's data entry, the value must be the sum of all previous entries plus match incentives in the reporting quarter. If there are no changes, report the value from the previous quarter.

**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** NA**Measurement unit:** Dollars**Allowed values:** \$0-\$100,000,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Partner**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Match type**


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**Data element name:** Match type 1-3**Reporting question:** What types of match contributions has the organization provided to the project?

**Description:** Types of match contributions *other than incentives* provided directly to producers by the organization from the start of the partnership to the end of the reporting quarter. Enter up to the top three (in dollar value) types of match contributions provided. In-kind staff time could be used for technical assistance, marketing assistance, or other support to producers. Production inputs include seed, fertilizer, pesticides, equipment and other inputs for use in the field. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 match types are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other match types as free text.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Equipment rental or use
- In-kind staff time
- Production inputs (reduced cost or free)
- Program income
- Software
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Partner**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Match amount**


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**Data element name:** Match amount 1-3**Reporting question:** What is the value of the match contributions the organization provided to the project?

**Description:** Cumulative (total) value of funds for each match type that the organization has provided as a project match contribution from the start of the partnership to the end of the reporting quarter. Enter amounts for up to the top three (in dollar value) match types. The worksheet provides three columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column. If fewer than 3 match types are used, leave unnecessary columns blank.

**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** NA**Measurement unit:** Dollars**Allowed values:** \$0-\$100,000,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Partner**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Training type provided**


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**Data element name:** Training type 1-3 provided**Reporting question:** What types of training has the organization provided to project partners?

**Description:** Types of training provided to the project partner as a result of participating in the project during the past quarter. Training can come from the recipient, a project partner organization (including other divisions of their own organization, or an outside organization). Enter up to the top three (in dollar value) types of partner training provided. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 training types are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other training types as free text.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Data collection
- Grant reporting
- Marketing opportunities
- Providing financial assistance
- Providing technical assistance
- Writing producer contracts
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Partner**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Activity by partner**


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**Data element name:** Activity 1-3 by partner**Reporting question:** What types of activities has the organization provided to the project?

**Description:** Types of activities that the recipient or partner organization has provided during the reporting quarter. Enter up to the top three (in dollar value) types of activities undertaken. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 activity types are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other activity types as free text.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Marketing support
- MMRV support
- Producer outreach for enrollment
- Technical assistance to producers
- Training to other partner organizations
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Partner**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Activity cost**
**Data element name:** Activity cost 1-3

**Reporting question:** What is the value of the activities this organization has provided to the project?

**Description:** Cumulative (total) cost of each activity type that the organization has undertaken or offered from the start of the partnership to the end of the reporting quarter. Enter amounts for up to the top three (in dollar value) activity types. The worksheet provides three columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column. If fewer than 3 activity types are provided, leave unnecessary columns blank.

**Data type:** Decimal

**Select multiple values:** NA

**Measurement unit:** Dollars

**Allowed values:** \$0-\$100,000,000

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Partner

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Products supplied**
**Data element name:** Products supplied

**Reporting question:** What products or supplies were provided to enrolled fields?

**Description:** Name(s) of products supplied to enrolled producers as incentives or matching contributions. Enter the name of each product, including its brand. Separate each product name with a comma. If no products or supplies were provided by the organization, leave the column blank.

**Data type:** Text

**Select multiple values:** NA

**Measurement unit:** Name

**Allowed values:** Text

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Partner

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Product source**
**Data element name:** Product source

**Reporting question:** Which companies provided the supplies?

**Description:** Name of firm or company from which supplies were obtained.

**Data type:** Text

**Select multiple values:** NA

**Measurement unit:** Name

**Allowed values:** Text

**Logic:** Respond if text entered for 'Products supplied'

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Partner

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

## Marketing Activities

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### Commodity type

<b>Data element name:</b> Commodity type	<b>Reporting question:</b> What type of commodity is produced by the farmers enrolled in this project?
<b>Description:</b> List a single commodity produced or marketed through incentives from this project. If multiple commodities are produced by the project, use additional rows of the worksheet to report each commodity. Use the FSA commodity list in Appendix B and choose the commodity from the list.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> FSA commodity list
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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### Marketing channel type

<b>Data element name:</b> Marketing channel type	<b>Reporting question:</b> What type of marketing channel is used to sell this commodity?
<b>Description:</b> List a single type of marketing channel used to sell the commodity produced by farmers enrolled in the project. If a single commodity is marketed through multiple channels, use additional rows of the worksheet to report each combination of commodity and marketing channel. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter the other marketing channel type(s) as free text.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural marketing board</li> <li>• Biorefinery</li> <li>• Commodity broker</li> <li>• Direct to consumer</li> <li>• Direct to institution</li> <li>• Direct to restaurant</li> <li>• Distributor (including grain elevators)</li> <li>• Food hub or cooperative</li> <li>• Food processor</li> <li>• Non-food byproducts processor</li> <li>• Retailer</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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### Number of buyers

<b>Data element name:</b> Number of buyers	<b>Reporting question:</b> How many buyers are there in this marketing channel?
<b>Description:</b> List the number of individual firms or buyers in this marketing channel.	
<b>Data type:</b> Integer	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Count	<b>Allowed values:</b> 1-500
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Names of buyers**

<b>Data element name:</b> Names of buyers	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the names of all of the buyers in this marketing channel?
<b>Description:</b> Provide the names of all buyers in this marketing channel. Separate each name with a comma.	
<b>Data type:</b> Text	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Name	<b>Allowed values:</b> Text
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Marketing channel geography**

<b>Data element name:</b> Marketing channel geography	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the primary geography of the marketing channel?
<b>Description:</b> The primary geography of the type of marketing channel. Primary geography means the scale at which most of the activity of buying and selling happens. Local means within a single state or directly neighboring states. Regional means within a five-to-ten state area. National means across the United States. International means specific locations outside of the United States. Global means across the world or not to a specific international location.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local</li> <li>• Regional</li> <li>• National</li> <li>• Global</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Value sold**

<b>Data element name:</b> Value sold	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the value of the commodity sold in this marketing channel?
<b>Description:</b> The dollar value of the commodity sold in this marketing channel this quarter (non-cumulative).	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Dollars	<b>Allowed values:</b> \$1-\$100,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Volume sold**

<b>Data element name:</b> Volume sold	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the volume of the commodity sold in this marketing channel?
<b>Description:</b> The volume of the commodity sold in this marketing channel this quarter (non-cumulative).	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Number	<b>Allowed values:</b> 1-100,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Volume sold unit**
**Data element name:** Volume sold unit**Reporting question:** What is the unit of volume?**Description:** The unit associated with the volume of the commodity sold in the marketing channel. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter the appropriate unit as free text.**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Bales (500 pounds)
- Bushels
- Carcass pounds
- Gallons
- Kilograms
- Linear board feet
- Liveweight pounds
- Metric tons
- Pounds
- Short tons
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Project**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Price premium**
**Data element name:** Price premium**Reporting question:** What price premium is received for the commodity sold in this marketing channel?**Description:** The price premium received for the commodity sold in this marketing channel this quarter. Price premium is the amount received above a ‘business as usual’ price.**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Dollars**Allowed values:** \$0.01-\$10,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Project**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Price premium unit**
**Data element name:** Price premium unit**Reporting question:** What is the unit for the price premium?**Description:** The unit associated with the price premium for the commodity sold in the marketing channel. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter the appropriate unit as free text.**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Per bale (500 pounds)
- Per bushel
- Per carcass pound
- Per gallon
- Per kilogram
- Per linear board foot
- Per live pound
- Per metric ton
- Per ounce
- Per short ton
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Project**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Price premium to producer**

**Data element name:** Price premium to producer

**Reporting question:** What percent of the price premium is provided to the producer for the commodity sold in this marketing channel?

**Description:** The percent of the price premium provided to the producer for the commodity sold in this marketing channel this quarter. Price premium is the amount received above a 'business as usual' price.

**Data type:** Decimal

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Percent

**Allowed values:** 0-100

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Project

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Product differentiation method**

**Data element name:** Product differentiation method 1-3

**Reporting question:** What methods are used to differentiate climate-smart commodities in this marketing channel?

**Description:** Provide the methods used to differentiate the climate-smart commodity in this market channel. Product differentiation methods are ways to distinguish or differentiate the climate-smart commodity in the marketplace. Include up to 3 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this project. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 product differentiation methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other product differentiation methods as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Certification/verification for internal insetting
- Farm certification
- Label or badge used on packaging or marketing
- Third party certification/verification
- Trademark
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Project

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Marketing method**

**Data element name:** Marketing method 1-3

**Reporting question:** What methods are used to market climate-smart commodities in this marketing channel?

**Description:** Provide the method(s) used to market this commodity in this market channel. Marketing method is the way that potential buyers of the climate-smart commodity are engaged by the project partners as the sellers or facilitators of sale. Include up to 3 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this project. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 marketing methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other marketing methods as free text

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Label or badge used on packaging or marketing materials
- Marketing partnership (e.g., promotion by buyer)
- Print marketing campaign
- Social media and digital marketing campaign
- Verbal marketing campaign (e.g., radio, word of mouth)
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Project

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Marketing channel identification method**


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**Data element name:** Marketing channel identification method 1-3

**Reporting question:** What methods are used to generate interest in climate-smart commodities in this marketing channel?

**Description:** Provide the marketing channel identification method(s) used for this commodity in this market channel. Market channel identification methods are the ways that producers and project partners generate interest in purchasing the climate-smart commodity. Include up to 3 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this project. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 marketing channel identification methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other marketing channel identification methods as free text

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Educational tours for buyers
- In-person lead generation
- Negotiated contracts with buyers
- Partnership network or project partner
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Project

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Traceability method**


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**Data element name:** Traceability method 1-3

**Reporting question:** What traceability methods are used for climate-smart commodities in this channel?

**Description:** Provide the traceability method(s) used for the climate-smart commodity in this market channel. Traceability methods are ways to trace the climate-smart commodity or the climate-smart claims through the supply chain. Include up to 3 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this project. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 traceability methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other traceability methods as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Barcode or unique ID
- Blockchain
- Book and claim
- Chain of custody
- Mass balance
- Recordkeeping
- Registry with certification
- Segregation
- Supply shed
- Volume proxy
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Project

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities Data Dictionary for Recipients**  
 February 2023
Producer Enrollment**Unique IDs**

Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA
State or territory	State name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)
County of residence	County name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)

**Producer data change**

<b>Data element name:</b> Producer data change	<b>Reporting question:</b> Is there new/updated information for a producer who is re-enrolling in the project?
<b>Description:</b> Indicates that there is new or updated information for a producer who had previously enrolled in the project and is re-enrolling.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Producer	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Re-enrollment

**Producer start date**

<b>Data element name:</b> Producer start date	<b>Reporting question:</b> When did the producer enroll in the project?
<b>Description:</b> Date that the producer enrolled in the project by signing their first contract.	
<b>Data type:</b> Date	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> MM/DD/YYYY	<b>Allowed values:</b> 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2030
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Producer	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment

**Producer name**

<b>Data element name:</b> Producer name	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the name of producer enrolled in the project?
<b>Description:</b> Name of the producer enrolled in the project; the name must match the name contained in the customer's Business Partner record and the Farm Operating Plan in FSA Business File for that Farm ID.	
<b>Data type:</b> Text	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> NA	<b>Allowed values:</b> Text
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Producer	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment

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**Underserved status**


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**Data element name:** Underserved status**Reporting question:** Is this producer considered an underserved and/or a small producer?

**Description:** Underserved status of the primary operator of the enrolled operation. Underserved producers generally include beginning farmers, socially disadvantaged farmers, veteran farmers, and limited resource farmers; women farmers and producers growing specialty crops are generally also included in these categories. Small farms are generally those with less than \$350,000 in annual gross cash farm income. Indicate whether this producer is considered underserved, a small producer, or both underserved and a small producer. Use "I don't know" if the producer declines to answer. Departmental Regulation 4370-001 provides USDA's policies for collecting demographic data, including race, ethnicity and gender. Providing demographic information is voluntary and at the discretion of the customer. Demographic information is used by USDA for statistical purposes only and will not be used to determine an applicant's eligibility for programs or services for which they apply.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Yes, underserved
- Yes, small producer
- Yes, underserved and small producer
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** No**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Total area**


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**Data element name:** Total area**Reporting question:** What is the total area of the farm?

**Description:** Total area of the farm associated with the Farm ID. Report total area of the farm, even if only a portion of the farm is enrolled in the project. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the total area each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Less than 1 acre
- 1 to 9 acres
- 10 to 49 acres
- 50 to 69 acres
- 70 to 99 acres
- 100 to 139 acres
- 140 to 179 acres
- 180 to 219 acres
- 220 to 259 acres
- 260 to 499 acres
- 500 to 999 acres
- 1,000 to 1,999 acres
- 2,000 to 4,999 acres
- 5,000 or more acres

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment and subsequent enrollment(s), if applicable

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**Total crop area**


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**Data element name:** Total crop area      **Reporting question:** What percent of the current operation is cropland?

**Description:** Area of the total farm that is currently used as cropland. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the total crop area each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates.

**Data type:** Integer

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Acres

**Allowed values:** 0-100,000

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment and subsequent enrollment(s), if applicable

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**Total livestock area**


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**Data element name:** Total livestock area      **Reporting question:** What amount of the current operation is used for livestock (by area)?

**Description:** Area of the total farm that is currently used for pasture, grazing, rangeland; or animal housing, feeding or milking. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the total livestock area each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates.

**Data type:** Integer

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Acres

**Allowed values:** 0-100,000

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment and subsequent enrollment(s), if applicable

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**Total forest area**


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**Data element name:** Total forest area      **Reporting question:** What amount of the current operation is forested (by area)?

**Description:** Area of the total farm that is currently considered forest land use. Forest land use means that at least 10% of the land area is covered in trees that will be at least 13 feet tall when mature. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the total forest area each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates.

**Data type:** Integer

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Acres

**Allowed values:** 0-100,000

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment and subsequent enrollment(s), if applicable

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**Livestock type**
**Data element name:** Livestock type 1-3

**Reporting question:** What types of livestock are raised on the farm?

**Description:** Up to top three types of livestock (by head count) on the farm. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If there are fewer than 3 livestock types, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other livestock types as free text. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the livestock type each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Alpacas
- Beef cows
- Beefalo
- Buffalo or bison
- Chickens (broilers)
- Chickens (layers)
- Dairy cows
- Deer
- Ducks
- Elk
- Emus
- Equine
- Geese
- Goats
- Honeybees
- Llamas
- Reindeer
- Sheep
- Swine
- Turkeys
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** Respond if 'Total livestock area' >0

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment and subsequent enrollment(s), if applicable

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**Livestock head**
**Data element name:** Livestock head 1-3

**Reporting question:** How many livestock (by type) are on this operation?

**Description:** Average annual head count for each type of livestock. Enter amounts for up to the top three livestock types by number. The worksheet provides three columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column. If there are fewer than 3 livestock types, leave unnecessary columns blank. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the average annual head count each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates.

**Data type:** Integer

**Select multiple values:** NA

**Measurement unit:** Head count

**Allowed values:** 1-10,000,000

**Logic:** Respond if 'Total livestock area' >0

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment and subsequent enrollment(s), if applicable

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**Organic farm**
**Data element name:** Organic farm**Reporting question:** Is any part of the farm currently USDA-certified organic or transitioning to USDA-certified organic?

**Description:** USDA-certified organic means that the farm has been certified by an accredited organic certifying agent or is transitioning to USDA-certified organic by not using any of the prohibited substances. Yes means that some or all of the farm is certified organic or transitioning to certified organic. No means that no part of the farm is certified organic or transitioning to certified organic. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the organic certification status of the farm each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** No**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment and subsequent enrollment(s), if applicable

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**Organic fields**
**Data element name:** Organic fields**Reporting question:** Are any of the fields enrolled in the project currently USDA-certified organic or transitioning to USDA-certified organic?

**Description:** USDA-certified organic means that the operation has been certified by an accredited organic certifying agent or is transitioning to USDA-certified organic by not using any of the prohibited substances. Yes means that some or all of the fields enrolled in the project are certified organic or transitioning to certified organic. No means that no part of the fields enrolled in the project are certified organic or transitioning to certified organic. If a producer is enrolled in the project for multiple years, review the organic certification status of the enrolled fields each time a new contract is signed and provide any necessary updates.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** Respond if yes to 'Organic operation'**Required:** No**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment and subsequent enrollment(s), if applicable

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**Producer motivation**
**Data element name:** Producer motivation**Reporting question:** Which of the following was the primary reason the producer enrolled in this project?**Description:** Primary operator's motivation for enrolling in the project.**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Financial benefit
- Environmental benefit
- New market opportunity
- Partnerships or networks
- Other

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment



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**Producer outreach**

**Data element name:** Producer outreach 1-3      **Reporting question:** What types of outreach were provided to producers?

**Description:** Up to three most common types of outreach provided to producer prior to enrollment. Outreach activities are those focused on identifying and enrolling producers in the project. Outreach can come from the recipient or project partners. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If there are fewer than 3 outreach types, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other outreach types as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** Yes

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Commodity organizations
- Conferences
- Cooperative extension
- Digital communications and resources
- Education workshops, field days, and town halls
- Existing partner networks
- Farm visits and one-on-one meetings
- General advertising
- Peer referrals and producer groups
- Phone calls
- Print communications and resources
- Retailers
- State agencies
- Targeted messaging using proprietary data
- Technical service providers
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**CSAF experience**

**Data element name:** CSAF experience      **Reporting question:** Has the primary operator implemented CSAF practices in the last ten years anywhere on the farm?

**Description:** Has this farm implemented climate-smart agriculture or forestry (CSAF) practices anywhere on the farm in the past 10 years or since the current primary operator took control (whichever time period is shorter)? CSAF practices are included in a list in Appendix A.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**CSAF federal funds**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> CSAF federal funds</p> <p><b>Description:</b> If this farm (under the primary operator) has implemented CSAF practices in the last ten years, was implementation supported by federal funds? Federal funds are defined as being from programs including, but not limited to, those from the Natural Resources Conservation Service ((NRCS), including through Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCP), or related programs), the Farm Service Agency Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), as well as funds from other USDA programs or other federal agencies.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'CSAF experience'</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Producer</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> Were prior CSAF practices supported by federal funds?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment</p>
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**CSAF state or local funds**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> CSAF state or local funds</p> <p><b>Description:</b> If this farm (under the primary operator) has implemented CSAF practices in the last ten years, was implementation supported by state funds? State or local funds are those from state departments of agriculture or other state agencies, local water quality districts and other local agencies.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'CSAF experience'</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Producer</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> Were prior CSAF practices supported by state or local funds?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment</p>
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**CSAF nonprofit funds**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> CSAF nonprofit funds</p> <p><b>Description:</b> If this farm (under the primary operator) has implemented CSAF practices in the last ten years, was implementation supported by nonprofit funds? Nonprofit funds are those offered directly from a nonprofit organization to a producer.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'CSAF experience'</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Producer</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> Were CSAF practices supported by nonprofit funds?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment</p>
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**CSAF market incentives**


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**Data element name:** CSAF market incentives      **Reporting question:** Were CSAF practices supported by market incentives?

**Description:** If this farm (under the primary operator) has implemented CSAF practices in the last ten years, was implementation supported by market incentives? Market incentives include premiums paid by a commodity buyer or by a consumer based on branding or labeling as a climate-smart commodity.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** Respond if yes to 'CSAF experience'

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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### Field Enrollment

#### Unique IDs

Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA
State or territory of field	State name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)
County of field	County name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)
Prior Field ID, if applicable	Prior Field ID assigned by FSA if there has been reconstitution of the farm resulting in a new Field ID during the field's enrollment in the project

#### Field data change

**Data element name:** Field data change

**Reporting question:** Has the information previously reported for this field changed?

**Description:** Indicator that this entry is being used to report any relevant changes, such as a new Field ID number or changes to the commodity or practice combinations, for a field that has previously been enrolled in the project.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Re-enrollment

#### Contract start date

**Data element name:** Contract start date

**Reporting question:** What is the start date of the contract with the producer that includes this field?

**Description:** Start date listed on the contract that enrolls the field in the project.

**Data type:** Date

**Select multiple values:** NA

**Measurement unit:** MM/DD/YYYY

**Allowed values:** 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2030

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

#### Total field area

**Data element name:** Total field area

**Reporting question:** What is the total size of the enrolled field?

**Description:** Total size of the field enrolled with the project.

**Data type:** Decimal

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Acres

**Allowed values:** .01-500

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Commodity category**


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**Data element name:** Commodity category**Reporting question:** What category of commodity(ies) is (are) produced from this field?**Description:** Category of commodity(ies) produced in field enrolled in the project**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Crops
- Livestock
- Trees
- Crops and livestock
- Crops and trees
- Livestock and trees
- Crops, livestock and trees

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Commodity type**


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**Data element name:** Commodity type**Reporting question:** What type of commodity is produced from this field?**Description:** Type of commodity produced in field enrolled in the project. See full list in Appendix B. The worksheet provides a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose the appropriate value. Enter additional commodities in subsequent rows.**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:** FSA commodity list**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Baseline yield**


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**Data element name:** Baseline yield**Reporting question:** What is the baseline yield of this field?**Description:** Average annual yield of commodity in 3 years prior to enrollment. Provide yield for the enrolled field if possible. If not at field level, provide average annual yield for the specific commodity for the operation.**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Production per acre or animal**Allowed values:** .01-100,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Baseline yield unit**


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**Data element name:** Baseline yield unit**Reporting question:** Baseline yield unit

**Description:** Unit of average annual yield of commodity in enrolled field in 3 years prior to enrollment. The worksheet provides a drop-down list of choices for this data element. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter the appropriate yield unit as free text.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Animal units per acre
- Bushels per acre
- Carcass pounds per animal
- Head per acre
- Hundred-weights (or pounds) per head
- Linear feet per acre
- Liveweight pounds per animal
- Pounds per acre
- Tons per acre
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Baseline yield location**


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**Data element name:** Baseline yield location**Reporting question:** For what portion of the operation is the baseline yield being reported?

**Description:** Location of the reported average annual yield of commodity in 3 years prior to enrollment. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter the appropriate location as free text.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Enrolled field
- Whole operation
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Field land use**


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**Data element name:** Field land use**Reporting question:** What is this field’s land use history?

**Description:** Prior to enrollment, what was the most common land use for this field in the past 3 years?

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Crop land
- Forest land
- Non-agriculture
- Other agricultural land
- Pasture
- Range

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Field irrigated**


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**Data element name:** Field irrigated**Reporting question:** What is this field's irrigation history?**Description:** Prior to enrollment, what was the most common irrigation practice on this field the past 3 years?**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- No irrigation
- Center pivot
- Drip-subsurface
- Drip-surface
- Flood/border
- Furrow/ditch
- Lateral/linear sprinklers
- Micro-sprinklers
- Seepage
- Side roll
- Solid set sprinklers
- Supplemental
- Surface
- Traveling gun/towline
- Wheel Line
- Other

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Field tillage**


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**Data element name:** Field tillage**Reporting question:** What is this field's tillage history?**Description:** Prior to enrollment, what was the most common tillage approach during the past 3 years?**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- None
- Conventional, inversion
- Conventional, vertical
- No-till, direct seed
- Reduced till, inversion
- Reduced till, vertical
- Strip till
- Other

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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**Practice past extent - farm**


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<p><b>Data element name:</b> Practice past extent - farm</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Prior to enrollment, on what portion of the whole farm had this (these) CSAF practice(s) ever been used by the primary operator? If multiple practices are planned to be implemented in this field, enter the value that best corresponds to the farm's prior experience with the planned set of practices.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> None – all respond</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What percent of the farm has implemented this CSAF practice (combination) previously?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Never used</li> <li>• Used on less than 25% of operation</li> <li>• Used on 25-50% of operation</li> <li>• Used on 51-75% of operation</li> <li>• Used on more than 75% of operation</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment</p>
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**Field any CSAF practice**


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<p><b>Data element name:</b> Field any CSAF practice</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Prior to enrollment, have any CSAF practice or practices been used in this field in the past 3 years? CSAF practices are included in a list in Appendix A.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> None – all respond</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is this field's prior experience with CSAF practices?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment</p>
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**Practice past use - this field**


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<p><b>Data element name:</b> Practice past use - this field</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Prior to enrollment, had this (these) CSAF practice(s) been used in this field in the in the past 3 years? Enter yes if all of the practices had been used previously in this field; enter some if multiple practices are being implemented and one or more, but not all of the practices had been used previously in this field; and enter no if none of the practices had been used previously in this field.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> None – all respond</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> Have this CSAF practice (combination) been implemented previously in this field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• Some</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment</p>
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**Practice type**

<b>Data element name:</b> Practice type 1-7	<b>Reporting question:</b> What CSAF practice is being implemented in this field through the project?
<b>Description:</b> Which CSAF practice or practices will be implemented on this field as part of enrollment in the project? CSAF practices are included in a list in Appendix A. The worksheet provides seven columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column. If there are fewer than 7 practices being implemented on this field through enrollment in the project, leave unnecessary columns blank.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> See list in Appendix A
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment

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**Practice standard**

<b>Data element name:</b> Practice standard 1-7	<b>Reporting question:</b> What standard does the CSAF practice follow?
<b>Description:</b> Is the CSAF practice being implemented on the field as part of enrollment in the project following a defined practice standard? The worksheet provides seven columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column, corresponding to the practice types entered in the previous columns. If there are fewer than 7 practices being implemented on this field through enrollment in the project, leave unnecessary columns blank.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NRCS</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment

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**Planned practice implementation year**

<b>Data element name:</b> Practice 1-7 implementation year	<b>Reporting question:</b> What year is the CSAF practice planned to be implemented?
<b>Description:</b> Year that the CSAF practice is planned to be implemented on the field. Use 2022 for early adopters, defined as fields that have the practice actively implemented in 2022 (prior to contract being signed for this project). The worksheet provides seven columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column, corresponding to the practice types entered in the previous columns. If there are fewer than 7 practices being implemented on this field through enrollment in the project, leave unnecessary columns blank.	
<b>Data type:</b> Integer	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Year	<b>Allowed values:</b> 2022-2030
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment

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**Practice extent**

<b>Data element name:</b> Practice 1-7 extent	<b>Reporting question:</b> To what extent is the practice implemented?
<b>Description:</b> Total area, length, or head where the practice is being implemented in the field specified by the contract.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Extent	<b>Allowed values:</b> .01-100,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Initial enrollment

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**Practice extent unit**


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**Data element name:** Practice 1-7 extent unit      **Reporting question:** Unit for extent of practice implementation extent unit

**Description:** Unit for extent of practice implementation on the field specified by the contract. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter the appropriate unit.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Acres
- Head of livestock
- Linear feet
- Square feet
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Initial enrollment

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### CSAF Practice Sub-questions

For certain practices, additional questions are asked that provide information necessary to estimate greenhouse gas benefits from implementation of the practice. See Table 11 in the *CSAF Practice Sub-questions* section for descriptions of individual questions to be answered depending on the CSAF practices selected.

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Farm Summary

**Unique IDs**

Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA
State or territory	State name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)
County of residence	County name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)

**Producer TA received**

**Data element name:** Producer TA received 1-3  
**Reporting question:** What types of technical assistance were provided to this producer?

**Description:** Did the recipient or any partner provide technical assistance (TA) to the producer this year? Technical assistance is any training, education, capacity building or other support provided by any project partner(s) directly to producers enrolled in the project. List up to the top three most common types of TA provided to this producer. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If there are fewer than 3 TA types, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other TA types as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Demonstration plots
- Equipment demonstrations
- Group field days or in-person field workshops
- Hotline
- One-on-one enrollment assistance
- One-on-one field visits
- One-on-one producer mentorship
- Producer networks and peer-to-peer groups
- Retailer consultation
- Social media/digital tools
- Train-the-trainer opportunities
- Virtual meetings or field days
- Webinars and videos
- Written materials
- None
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

**Producer incentive amount**

**Data element name:** Producer incentive amount  
**Reporting question:** What is the total value of financial incentives provided to this producer?

**Description:** Total incentive payment received by the producer from USDA project funds for the year (non-cumulative). Do not include incentive payments made with partner match funds.

**Data type:** Decimal

**Select multiple values:** NA

**Measurement unit:** Dollars

**Allowed values:** \$0-\$5,000,000

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Incentive reason**


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**Data element name:** Incentive reason 1-4      **Reporting question:** Why were incentives provided to this producer?

**Description:** List up to four reasons for producer incentive payments. List the top 4 based on total value of the incentive for each reason. The worksheet provides four columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If there are fewer than 4 reasons, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other reasons as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Avoided conversion
- Conference or training attendance
- Demographics/equity payment
- Enrollment
- Foregone revenue
- Historic data collection
- Identity preservation (supply chain tracing)
- Implementation of practices
- MMRV (e.g., data collection, reporting)
- Passing audit
- Price premium on output
- Yield change
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Incentive structure**


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**Data element name:** Incentive structure 1-4      **Reporting question:** What are the units for the financial incentives provided to this producer?

**Description:** List the structures (units) corresponding to the top 4 (by dollar value) incentive payments to producers. Production unit is weight or volume (bushel, kilogram, ton). The worksheet provides four columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If there are fewer than 4 structure types, leave unnecessary columns blank. If "other" is chosen, use the additional column to enter other structure types as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Flat rate
- Per animal head
- Per area
- Per length
- Per production unit
- Per ton GHG
- Per tree
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Producer

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Incentive type**


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**Data element name:** Incentive type 1-4**Reporting question:** What type of incentives were provided to each producer?

**Description:** List the top 4 types of incentive payments to producers (based on dollar value). The worksheet provides four columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If there are fewer than 4 incentive types, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other incentive types as free text.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Cash payment
- Equipment loan
- Guaranteed commodity premium payment
- Inputs and supplies
- Land rental
- Loan
- Paid labor
- Post-harvest transportation
- Tuition or fees for training
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Payment on enrollment**


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**Data element name:** Payment on enrollment**Reporting question:** What portion of the financial incentive is provided to the producer upon enrollment in the project?

**Description:** Any incentive payment provided to the producer upon enrollment/signing a contract, and not related to any implementation, MMRV or sales activities. Full payment means the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon enrollment. Partial payment means that only part of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon enrollment. No payment means that none of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon enrollment.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Full payment
- Partial payment
- No payment

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Payment on implementation**


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**Data element name:** Payment on implementation**Reporting question:** What portion of the financial incentive is provided to the producer upon implementation of the practices?

**Description:** Any incentive payment provided to the producer upon implementing the practices included in the contract. Full payment means the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon implementation. Partial payment means that only part of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon implementation. No payment means that none of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon implementation.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Full payment
- Partial payment
- No payment

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Payment on harvest**
**Data element name:** Payment on harvest**Reporting question:** What portion of the financial incentive is provided to the producer upon harvest of the commodity?

**Description:** Any incentive payment provided to the producer upon harvesting or slaughtering the commodity included in the contract. Full payment means the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon harvest. Partial payment means that only part of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon harvest. No payment means that none of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon harvest.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Full payment
- Partial payment
- No payment

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Payment on MMRV**
**Data element name:** Payment on MMRV**Reporting question:** What portion of the financial incentive is provided to the producer upon completing MMRV requirements?

**Description:** Any incentive payment provided to the producer upon completing the annual MMRV requirements included in the contract. Full payment means the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon MMRV being complete. Partial payment means that only part of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon MMRV being complete. No payment means that none of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon MMRV being complete.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Full payment
- Partial payment
- No payment

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Payment on sale**
**Data element name:** Payment on sale**Reporting question:** What portion of the financial incentive is provided to producer upon sale of the commodity?

**Description:** Any incentive payment provided to the producer upon sale of the commodity included in the contract. Full payment means the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon sale. Partial payment means that only part of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon sale. No payment means that none of the full incentive amount for any contract held by the producer is paid upon sale.

**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Full payment
- Partial payment
- No payment

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Producer**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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Field Summary

**Unique IDs**

Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA
State or territory of field	State name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)
County of field	County name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)

**Commodity type**

<b>Data element name:</b> Commodity type	<b>Reporting question:</b> What type of commodity is produced from this field?
<b>Description:</b> Type of commodity produced in field enrolled in the project. See full list in Appendix B. The worksheet provides multiple columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. Leave unnecessary columns blank.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> FSA commodity list
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

**Practice type**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field practice type 1-7	<b>Reporting question:</b> What CSAF practice is being implemented in this field through the project?
<b>Description:</b> Which climate-smart agriculture or forestry (CSAF) practice or practices are being implemented in this project? CSAF practices are included in a list in Appendix A. The worksheet provides seven columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column. If there are fewer than 7 practices being implemented on this field through enrollment in the project, leave unnecessary columns blank.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> See list in Appendix A
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

**Date practice complete**

<b>Data element name:</b> Date practice complete	<b>Reporting question:</b> When did the project certify CSAF practice implementation as complete?
<b>Description:</b> Date that the project certifies that implementation of the CSAF practice is complete on the field. Use January of the year prior to contract year for early adopters, defined as fields that have the practice actively implemented in the year prior to a contract associated with this project is signed). The worksheet provides seven columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column, corresponding to the practice types entered in the previous columns. If there are fewer than 7 practices being implemented on this field through enrollment in the project, leave unnecessary columns blank.	
<b>Data type:</b> Date	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> MM/DD/YYYY	<b>Allowed values:</b> 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2030
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

**Contract end date****Data element name:** Contract end date**Reporting question:** Contract end date**Description:** End date listed on the contract that enrolls the field in the project. If contract end date changes, submit updated end date during the next quarter's reporting.**Data type:** Date**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** MM/DD/YYYY**Allowed values:** 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2030**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly**MMRV assistance provided****Data element name:** MMRV assistance provided**Reporting question:** Was MMRV assistance provided?**Description:** Was any MMRV assistance provided to the primary operator for this field? MMRV assistance includes in-field support for the use of technologies, consultation on data collection and input, and other support related to MMRV. MMRV is defined a measurement (calculations or estimations of GHG emissions), monitoring (ongoing review and confirmation that the climate-smart practice has been implemented according to the agreed upon standard and documentation of any changes in the site, implementation, or GHG emissions impacts over time), reporting (documenting and sharing monitoring and measurement results with project partners, the recipient, and any third-party verification organization), and verification (independent confirmation that measurement, monitoring and reporting information are complete, accurate and reliable).**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly**Marketing assistance provided****Data element name:** Marketing assistance provided**Reporting question:** Was marketing assistance provided?**Description:** Was any marketing assistance provided to the primary operator for the commodity(ies) produced from this field? Marketing assistance includes guaranteeing the sale of the commodity(ies), providing a platform for the sale of the commodity(ies), providing a label, branding, or other support related to marketing.**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly**Incentive per acre or head****Data element name:** Incentive per acre or head**Reporting question:** Is this field receiving a per-acre or per-head incentive?**Description:** Is this field receiving an incentive payment to implement a specific CSAF practice or set of practices on a per-acre or per-head (livestock) basis?**Data type:** List**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Category**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** Yes**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly



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**Field commodity value**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Field commodity value	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the value of the commodity produced on the enrolled field?
<b>Description:</b> The dollar value of the commodity produced on the enrolled field.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Dollars	<b>Allowed values:</b> \$1-\$10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field commodity volume**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Field commodity volume	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the volume of commodity produced on the enrolled field?
<b>Description:</b> The volume of the commodity produced on the enrolled field	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Number	<b>Allowed values:</b> 1-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field commodity volume unit**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Field commodity volume unit	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit of volume?
<b>Description:</b> The unit associated with the volume of the commodity produced on the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value in the additional column.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bushels</li> <li>• Carcass weight pounds</li> <li>• Gallons</li> <li>• Head</li> <li>• Linear feet</li> <li>• Liveweight pounds</li> <li>• Pounds</li> <li>• Tons</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Cost of implementation**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Cost of implementation	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the cost of practice implementation in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Total annual estimated cost per unit of implementing the practice(s) in the enrolled field.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Dollars	<b>Allowed values:</b> \$1-\$10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Cost unit**

<b>Data element name:</b> Cost unit	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit for cost?
<b>Description:</b> The unit associated with the cost of implementing CSAF practices in the field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value in the additional column.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Per acre</li> <li>• Per bushel</li> <li>• Per head</li> <li>• Per linear foot</li> <li>• Per pound</li> <li>• Per ton</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

**Cost coverage**

<b>Data element name:</b> Cost coverage	<b>Reporting question:</b> What percent of the practice cost is covered by the incentive?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated proportion of total annual cost of implementing the practice(s) that is covered by project incentives.	
<b>Data type:</b> Integer	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Percent	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-100
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

**Field GHG monitoring**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field GHG monitoring 1-3	<b>Reporting question:</b> How were GHG impacts monitored in this field?
<b>Description:</b> Up to the top three forms of monitoring GHG benefits as part of MMRV requirements. Monitoring is defined as ongoing review and confirmation that the climate-smart practice has been implemented according to the agreed upon standard and documentation of any changes in the site, implementation, or GHG emissions impacts over time. Include up to 3 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this field. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 GHG monitoring methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other GHG monitoring methods as free text.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drones</li> <li>• Ground-level photos and videos</li> <li>• On-farm inspection</li> <li>• Plot-based sampling (e.g., soil, water)</li> <li>• Producer records or attestation</li> <li>• Satellite monitoring or remote sensing</li> <li>• Soil metagenomics</li> <li>• Soil sensors</li> <li>• Water sensors</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field GHG reporting**


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**Data element name:** Field GHG reporting 1-3      **Reporting question:** How were GHG benefits reported for this field?

**Description:** Up to the top three forms of reporting on GHG benefits as part of MMRV requirements. Reporting is defined as documenting and sharing monitoring and measurement results with project partners, the recipient, and any third-party verification organization. Include up to 3 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this field. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 GHG reporting methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other GHG reporting methods as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Automated devices
- Email
- Mobile app
- Paper
- Third-party actors
- Website
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Field GHG verification**


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**Data element name:** Field GHG verification 1-3      **Reporting question:** How was implementation of practices to reduce GHG emissions verified for this field?

**Description:** Up to the top three of verification of GHG benefits as part of MMRV requirements. Verification is defined as independent confirmation that measurement, monitoring and reporting information are complete, accurate and reliable. Include up to 3 methods, based on which methods are most commonly used for this field. The worksheet provides three columns with a drop-down list of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. If fewer than 3 GHG verification methods are used, leave unnecessary columns blank. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter other GHG verification methods as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Artificial intelligence
- Computer modeling
- Recipient audit
- Photos
- Record audit
- Satellite imagery
- Site or field visit
- Third-party audit
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Field GHG calculations**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field GHG calculations	<b>Reporting question:</b> What methods are used to calculate GHG benefits in this field?
<b>Description:</b> List the method(s) used to calculate GHG benefits in this field. If yes to direct physical measurements, submit result reports (see <i>Supplemental Data Submission – Field direct GHG measurement results</i> ).	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Models</li> <li>• Direct field measurements</li> <li>• Both</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field official GHG calculation**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field official GHG calculation	<b>Reporting question:</b> What method was used to calculate the official GHG benefits in this field?
<b>Description:</b> List the method used to calculate the official GHG benefits in this field that are reported as part of the project's aggregate impact.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Models</li> <li>• Direct field measurements</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field official GHG ER**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field official GHG emission reductions	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the estimated total GHG emission reductions (CO <sub>2</sub> eq) in this field?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated greenhouse gas emission reductions from practice implementation in this field that are reported as part of the project's aggregate impact. This data element must be entered upon practice completion or annually, as appropriate.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field official carbon stock**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field official carbon stock	<b>Reporting question:</b> How much carbon has been sequestered in this field?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated total change in carbon stock based on practice implementation in this field. This data element can be reported in any quarter and is cumulative for the year. Conversion rate is one ton of carbon = 3.67 tons of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field official CO2 ER**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field official CO2 emission reductions	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the estimated total CO2 emission reductions in this field?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated total carbon dioxide emission reductions based on practice implementation in this field that are reported as part of the project's aggregate impact. This data element must be entered upon practice completion or annually, as appropriate.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub>	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field official CH4 ER**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field official CH4 emission reductions	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the estimated total CH4 emission reductions in this field?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated total methane emission reductions based on practice implementation in this field that are reported as part of the project's aggregate impact. This data element must be entered upon practice completion or annually, as appropriate. Conversion rate is one ton of CH <sub>4</sub> = 25 tons of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CH4 reduced in CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field official N2O ER**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field official N2O emission reductions	<b>Reporting question:</b> What are the estimated total N2O emission reductions in this field?
<b>Description:</b> Estimated total nitrous oxide emission reductions based on practice implementation in this field that are reported as part of the project's aggregate impact. This data element must be entered upon practice completion or annually, as appropriate. Conversion rate is one ton of N <sub>2</sub> O = 298 tons of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons N2O reduced in CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field offsets produced**

<b>Data element name:</b> Field offsets produced	<b>Reporting question:</b> How many carbon offsets have been produced in this field?
<b>Description:</b> Total carbon offsets produced in the field during the quarter (not cumulative). Offsets are defined as having been verified and certified using an accepted standard and sold into the carbon marketplace.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Quarterly

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**Field insets produced**


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**Data element name:** Field insets produced      **Reporting question:** How many carbon insets have been produced in this field?

**Description:** Total carbon insets produced in the field during the quarter (not cumulative). Insets are defined as having been verified and certified using an accepted standard and accounted for within Scope 3 emissions for a firm.

**Data type:** Decimal

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>eq

**Allowed values:** 0-10,000,000

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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**Other field measurement**


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**Data element name:** Other field measurement      **Reporting question:** Were data collected from the field for reasons other than GHG benefit estimation?

**Description:** Direct physical measurements or data collection taken in the field for any reason other than GHG benefits estimation. These reasons could include calibration of GHG estimation tools or models, tracking other environmental benefits (see Field environmental benefits report), and other reasons. If yes, submit corresponding reports (see *Supplemental data submission - Field direct measurement results*).

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Quarterly

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### GHG Benefits - Alternate Modeled

#### **Unique IDs**

Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA
State or territory of field	State name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)
County of field	County name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)

#### **Commodity type**

<b>Data element name:</b> Commodity type 1-6	<b>Reporting question:</b> What type of commodity(ies) is produced from this field?
<b>Description:</b> Type of commodity(ies) produced in field enrolled in the project. See full list of commodity options in Appendix B. The worksheet provides multiple columns with drop-down lists of the allowed values. Choose one value for each column. Leave unnecessary columns blank	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> FSA commodity list
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

#### **Practice type**

<b>Data element name:</b> Practice type 1-7	<b>Reporting question:</b> What CSAF practice is being implemented by this project?
<b>Description:</b> Which CSAF practice or practices are being implemented in this project? CSAF practices are included in a list in Appendix A. The worksheet provides seven columns for this data element. Enter one value for each column. If there are fewer than 7 practices being implemented by the project, leave unnecessary columns blank.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> See list in Appendix A
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

**GHG model**

**Data element name:** GHG model      **Reporting question:** What model was used for alternate calculation of GHG benefits?

**Description:** Select the model used for the alternate calculation of the field's GHG benefits.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- ACC Calculator
- Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use (AFOLU) Carbon Calculator
- AIRES
- APEX
- Bowen Ratio Energy Balance
- Carat-Calculator
- CArPE
- CDFA web-based calculator
- COMET-Farm
- COMET-Planner
- CoolFarm
- Cover Crop Explore
- CropTrak
- CultivateAI's FMIS
- DayCent-CR
- DNDC
- DSSAT
- Earth Optics
- EcoPractices
- EPIC
- Extrapolation based on literature
- FieldPrint
- Granular
- GREET
- gTIR
- IFSM
- IPCC default emissions factors & models
- itree
- Nitrogen Balance
- Nutrient Tracking Tool (NTT)
- RCD Project Tracker
- Revised Universal Soil Loss equation 2 (RUSLE2)
- RuFaS
- SAFE-Link
- SALUS (CIBO)
- SNAPGRAZE
- SquareRoots
- SWAT-C
- SYMFONI
- Truterra Sustainability Tool
- Verra
- WEPP
- YardStick
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual



**Model start date**

<b>Data element name:</b> Model start date	<b>Reporting question:</b> For what time period are the GHG benefits modeled (model start date)?
<b>Description:</b> Date that the model parameters begin.	
<b>Data type:</b> Date	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> MM/DD/YYYY	<b>Allowed values:</b> 01/01/1950 – 12/31/2030
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

**Model end date**

<b>Data element name:</b> Model end date	<b>Reporting question:</b> For what time period are the GHG benefits modeled (model end date)?
<b>Description:</b> Date that the model parameters end.	
<b>Data type:</b> Date	<b>Select multiple values:</b> NA
<b>Measurement unit:</b> MM/DD/YYYY	<b>Allowed values:</b> 01/01/2023– 12/31/2030
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

**Total GHG benefits estimated**

<b>Data element name:</b> Total GHG benefits estimated	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the alternate estimate of the field's total GHG emission reductions?
<b>Description:</b> Total greenhouse gas emission reductions from practice implementation in the field estimated using an alternate model.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

**Total carbon stock estimated**

<b>Data element name:</b> Total carbon stock estimated	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the alternate estimate of how much carbon has the field has sequestered?
<b>Description:</b> Total change in carbon stock based on practice implementation in the field estimated using an alternate model. Conversion rate is one ton of carbon = 3.67 tons of CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> eq	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

**Total CO<sub>2</sub> estimated**

<b>Data element name:</b> Total CO <sub>2</sub> estimated	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the alternate estimate of the field's total CO <sub>2</sub> emission reductions?
<b>Description:</b> Total carbon dioxide emission reductions based on practice implementation in the field estimated using an alternate model.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Metric tons CO <sub>2</sub>	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-10,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Total CH4 estimated**


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**Data element name:** Total CH4 estimated

**Reporting question:** What is the alternate estimate of the field's total CH4 emission reductions?

**Description:** Total methane emission reductions based on practice implementation in the field estimated using an alternate model. Conversion rate is one ton of CH<sub>4</sub> = 25 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>eq.

**Data type:** Decimal

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Metric tons CH4 reduced in CO<sub>2</sub>eq

**Allowed values:** 0-10,000,000

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Total field N2O estimated**


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**Data element name:** Total N2O estimated

**Reporting question:** What is the alternate estimate of the field's total N2O emission reductions?

**Description:** Total nitrous oxide emission reductions based on practice implementation in the field estimated using an alternate method. Conversion rate is one ton of N<sub>2</sub>O = 298 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>eq.

**Data type:** Decimal

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Metric tons N2O reduced in CO<sub>2</sub>eq

**Allowed values:** 0-10,000,000

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** If project calculates GHG benefits using multiple methods

**Data collection level:** Field

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**Data collection frequency:** Annual

GHG Benefits - Measured**Unique IDs**

Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA
State or territory of field	State name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)
County of field	County name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)

**GHG measurement method****Data element name:** GHG measurement method**Reporting question:** What measurement method is used to calculate GHG benefits?**Description:** Field-based measurement method used to calculate GHG benefits. If "other" is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.**Data type:** List**Measurement unit:** Category**Select multiple values:** No**Allowed values:**

- Emissions measurement unit
- Flux towers
- Litterbags
- Plant measurements
- Portable emissions analyzers
- Soil flux chambers
- Soil samples
- Soil sensors
- Vehicle-mounted sensors
- Other (specify)

**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples or takes carbon stock or greenhouse gas emission measurements in this field**Logic:** None – all respond**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:**  
Annual**Lab name****Data element name:** Lab name**Reporting question:** What is the name of the lab that processed the measurement samples?**Description:** Name of entity that received data and conducted analysis of samples.**Data type:** Text**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** NA**Allowed values:** Free text**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** If applicable**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Annual

**Measurement start date****Data element name:** Measurement start date**Reporting question:** On what date did the measurement start?**Description:** Date that the measurements began. If it was a single point in time, use the same date for start date and end date. If multiple measurements took place over a time period, use the date that the measurements first began.**Data type:** Date**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** MM/DD/YYYY**Allowed values:** 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2030**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples or takes carbon stock or greenhouse gas emission measurements in this field**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Annual**Measurement end date****Data element name:** Measurement end date**Reporting question:** On what date did the measurement end?**Description:** Date that the measurements began. If it was a single point in time, use the same date for start date and end date. If multiple measurements took place over a time period, use the date that the measurements were completed.**Data type:** Date**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** MM/DD/YYYY**Allowed values:** 01/01/2023– 12/31/2030**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples or takes carbon stock or greenhouse gas emission measurements in this field**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Annual**Total CO2 reduction calculated****Data element name:** Total CO2 reduction calculated**Reporting question:** What are the total measured CO2 emission reductions?**Description:** Total annual CO2 emission reductions based on practice implementation in the field calculated from in-field measurements.**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>**Allowed values:** 0-10,000,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** If a project takes carbon stock or greenhouse gas emission measurements in this field**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Annual**Total field carbon stock measured****Data element name:** Total field carbon stock measured**Reporting question:** What is the total amount of carbon sequestered based on repeat measurements in this field?**Description:** Change in carbon stock based on practice implementation in the field calculated from repeat soil sampling in this field. (Results for initial field soil samples should be reported in the 'Soil sample result' and 'Measurement type' columns.) Conversion rate is one ton of carbon = 3.67 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>eq.**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>eq**Allowed values:** 0-10,000,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples or takes carbon stock measurements in this field**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Total CH4 reduction calculated**
**Data element name:** Total CH4 reduction calculated**Reporting question:** What are the total measured CH4 emission reductions?**Description:** Total annual methane emission reductions based on practice implementation in the field calculated from in-field measurements. Conversion rate is one ton of CH<sub>4</sub> = 25 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>eq.**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Metric tons CH4 reduced in CO<sub>2</sub>eq**Allowed values:** 0-10,000,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples or takes carbon stock or greenhouse gas emission measurements in this field**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Total N2O reduction calculated**
**Data element name:** Total N2O reduction calculated**Reporting question:** What are the total measured N2O emission reductions?**Description:** Total annual nitrous oxide emission reductions based on practice implementation in the field calculated from in-field measurements. Conversion rate is one ton of N<sub>2</sub>O = 298 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>eq.**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Metric tons N2O reduced in CO<sub>2</sub>eq**Allowed values:** 0-10,000,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples or takes carbon stock or greenhouse gas emission measurements in this field**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Soil sample result**
**Data element name:** Soil sample result**Reporting question:** What is the numeric result from this soil sample?**Description:** Results of measurement(s) taken to determine the carbon stock of a soil (the tons of carbon found in a specified volume of soil).**Data type:** Decimal**Select multiple values:** No**Measurement unit:** Amount**Allowed values:** .00001-100,000**Logic:** None – all respond**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples in this field**Data collection level:** Field**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Soil sample result unit**

**Data element name:** Soil sample result unit    **Reporting question:** What is unit for the soil sample result?

**Description:** Unit for the corresponding soil sample result. The worksheet provides a drop-down list of choices for this data element. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter the appropriate yield unit as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Percent
- Ppm
- Grams
- Grams per cubic centimeter
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples in this field

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Measurement type**

**Data element name:** Measurement type

**Reporting question:** What type of analysis was conducted for this soil sample?

**Description:** Type of soil analysis conducted. The worksheet provides a drop-down list of choices for this data element. If “other” is chosen, use the additional column to enter the appropriate yield unit as free text.

**Data type:** List

**Select multiple values:** No

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Allowed values:**

- Organic matter
- Total organic carbon
- Bulk density
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** None – all respond

**Required:** If a project conducts soil samples in this field

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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### Additional Environmental Benefits

#### **Unique IDs**

Farm ID	Unique Farm ID assigned by FSA
Tract ID	Unique Tract ID assigned by FSA
Field ID	Unique Field ID assigned by FSA
State or territory of field	State name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)
County of field	County name (must match FSA farm enrollment data)

#### **Environmental benefits**

<b>Data element name:</b> Environmental benefits	<b>Reporting question:</b> Are environmental benefits other than GHGs being tracked in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Tracking of environmental benefits other than greenhouse gas emission reductions and carbon sequestration in the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> None – all respond	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

#### **Reduction in nitrogen loss**

<b>Data element name:</b> Reduction in nitrogen loss	<b>Reporting question:</b> Are reductions in nitrogen losses being tracked in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Tracking reductions in nitrogen losses in the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'Environmental benefits'	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

#### **Reduction in nitrogen loss amount**

<b>Data element name:</b> Reduction in nitrogen loss amount	<b>Reporting question:</b> How much reduction in nitrogen losses have been measured in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Total amount of reduction in nitrogen losses that is measured and reported in the enrolled field.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Amount	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-1,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'Reduction in nitrogen loss'	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduction in nitrogen loss amount unit**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Reduction in nitrogen loss amount unit	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit for how much reduction in nitrogen losses have been measured in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Unit for the total amount of reduction in nitrogen losses that is measured and reported in the enrolled field. If "other" is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kilograms</li> <li>• Metric tons</li> <li>• Pounds</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'Reduction in nitrogen loss'	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduction in nitrogen loss purpose**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Reduction in nitrogen loss purpose	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the purpose of tracking reduction in nitrogen losses?
<b>Description:</b> Purpose of tracking reduction in nitrogen losses in the enrolled field. If "other" is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commodity marketing</li> <li>• Producing insets</li> <li>• Producing offsets</li> <li>• I don't know</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'Reduction in nitrogen loss'	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Project	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduction in phosphorus loss**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Reduction in phosphorus loss	<b>Reporting question:</b> Are reductions in phosphorus losses being tracked in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Tracking of reductions in phosphorus losses in the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don't know</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'Environmental benefits'	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduction in phosphorus loss amount**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Reduction in phosphorus loss amount	<b>Reporting question:</b> How much reduction in phosphorus losses have been measured in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Total amount of reduction in phosphorus losses that is measured in the field.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Amount	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-1,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to 'Reduction in phosphorus loss'	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduction in phosphorus loss amount unit**


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<p><b>Data element name:</b> Reduction in phosphorus loss amount unit</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Unit for the total amount of reduction in phosphorus losses that is measured in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Reduction in phosphorus loss’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit for the reduction in phosphorus losses measured in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kilograms</li> <li>• Metric tons</li> <li>• Pounds</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Reduction in phosphorus loss purpose**


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<p><b>Data element name:</b> Reduction in phosphorus loss purpose</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Purpose of tracking reduction in phosphorus losses in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Reduction in phosphorus loss’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is the purpose of tracking reductions in phosphorus losses?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commodity marketing</li> <li>• Producing insets</li> <li>• Producing offsets</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Other water quality**


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<p><b>Data element name:</b> Other water quality</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Project tracking of other water quality metrics in the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Environmental benefits’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> Are other water quality metrics being tracked in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Other water quality type**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Other water quality type	<b>Reporting question:</b> What type of other water quality metric have been measured in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Type of other water quality metric (besides nitrogen loss and phosphorus loss reductions) that is measured in the field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sediment load reduction</li> <li>• Temperature</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Other water quality’	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Other water quality amount**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Other water quality amount	<b>Reporting question:</b> How much reduction in other water quality metrics have been measured in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Total amount of reduction in other water quality metrics that is measured in the enrolled field.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Amount	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-1,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Other water quality’	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Other water quality amount unit**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Other water quality amount unit	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit for the reduction in other water quality metrics measured in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Unit for the total amount of reduction in other water quality metrics that is measured in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Degrees F</li> <li>• Kilograms</li> <li>• Kilograms per liter</li> <li>• Metric tons</li> <li>• Pounds</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Other water quality’	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Other water quality purpose**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Other water quality purpose</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Purpose of tracking other water quality benefits in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Other water quality’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is the purpose of tracking other water quality benefits?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commodity marketing</li> <li>• Producing insets</li> <li>• Producing offsets</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Water quantity**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Water quantity</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Tracking of water conservation or reduction in use in the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Environmental benefits’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> Is water conservation being tracked in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Water quantity amount**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Water quantity amount</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Total amount of water conservation or reduction that is measured in the field.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> Decimal</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Amount</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Water quantity’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> How much water conservation has been measured in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b> 0-1,000,000</p> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Water quantity amount unit**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Water quantity amount unit</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Unit for the total amount of water conservation or reduced use that is measured and reported in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Water quantity’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit for the amount of water conservation measured in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acre-feet</li> <li>• Cubic feet</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Water quantity purpose**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Water quantity purpose	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the purpose of tracking water conservation?
<b>Description:</b> Purpose of tracking water conservation or reductions in water use in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commodity marketing</li> <li>• Producing insets</li> <li>• Producing offsets</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Water quantity’	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduced erosion**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Reduced erosion	<b>Reporting question:</b> Is reduced soil erosion being tracked in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Tracking of reduced soil erosion in the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Environmental benefits’	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduced erosion amount**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Reduced erosion amount	<b>Reporting question:</b> How much erosion reduction has been measured in the field?
<b>Description:</b> Total amount of erosion reduction that is measured in the enrolled field.	
<b>Data type:</b> Decimal	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Amount	<b>Allowed values:</b> 0-1,000,000
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Reduced erosion’	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduced erosion amount unit**


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<b>Data element name:</b> Reduced erosion unit	<b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit for the amount of erosion reduction measured?
<b>Description:</b> Unit for the total amount of erosion reduction from enrolled fields that is measured and reported by the project. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.	
<b>Data type:</b> List	<b>Select multiple values:</b> No
<b>Measurement unit:</b> Category	<b>Allowed values:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tons</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Reduced erosion’	<b>Required:</b> Yes
<b>Data collection level:</b> Field	<b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual

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**Reduced erosion purpose**


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**Data element name:** Reduced erosion purpose

**Description:** Purpose of tracking reduced erosion the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.

**Data type:** List

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Reporting question:** What is the purpose of tracking reduced erosion in the field?

**Select multiple values:** No

**Allowed values:**

- Commodity marketing
- Producing insets
- Producing offsets
- I don’t know
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** Respond if yes to ‘Reduced erosion’

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Reduced energy use**


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**Data element name:** Reduced energy use

**Reporting question:** Is reduced energy use being tracked in the field?

**Description:** Tracking of reduced energy use in the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits.

**Data type:** List

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Select multiple values:** No

**Allowed values:**

- Yes
- No
- I don’t know

**Logic:** Respond if yes to ‘Environmental benefits’

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Reduced energy use amount**


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**Data element name:** Reduced energy use amount

**Reporting question:** How much energy use reduction has been measured in the field?

**Description:** Total amount of energy use reduction that is measured in the enrolled field.

**Data type:** Decimal

**Measurement unit:** Amount

**Select multiple values:** No

**Allowed values:** 0-1,000,000

**Logic:** Respond if yes to ‘Reduced energy use’

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Reduced energy use amount unit**


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**Data element name:** Reduced energy use unit

**Reporting question:** What is the unit for the energy use reduction measured in the field?

**Description:** Unit for the total amount of energy use reduction that is measured in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.

**Data type:** List

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Select multiple values:** No

**Allowed values:**

- Kilowatt hours
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** Respond if yes to ‘Reduced energy use’

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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**Reduced energy use purpose**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Reduced energy use purpose</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Purpose of tracking reduced energy use in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Reduced energy use’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is the purpose of tracking reduced energy use in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commodity marketing</li> <li>• Producing insets</li> <li>• Producing offsets</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Avoided land conversion**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Avoided land conversion</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Tracking of avoided land conversion in the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits. Land conservation means land use changing from agricultural uses to non-agricultural uses.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Environmental benefits’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> Is avoided land conversion being tracked in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Avoided land conversion amount**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Avoided land conversion amount</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Total amount of avoided land conversion that is measured in the enrolled field.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> Decimal</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Amount</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Avoided land conversion’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> How much avoided land conversion has been measured in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b> 0-1,000,000</p> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Avoided land conversion amount unit**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Avoided land conversion unit</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Unit for the total amount of avoided land conversion that is measured in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Avoided land conversion’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit for the amount of avoided land conversion measured in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acres</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Avoided land conversion purpose**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Avoided land conversion purpose</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Purpose of tracking avoided land conversion in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Avoided land conversion’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is the purpose of tracking avoided land conversion in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commodity marketing</li> <li>• Producing insets</li> <li>• Producing offsets</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Improved wildlife habitat**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Improved wildlife habitat</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Tracking of improvements to wildlife in and around the enrolled field. Tracking means at a minimum using some form of monitoring and reporting that can quantify benefits.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Environmental benefits’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> Are improvements to wildlife habitat being tracked in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• I don’t know</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Improved wildlife habitat amount**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Improved wildlife habitat amount</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Total amount of improved wildlife habitat that is measured in and around the enrolled fields.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> Decimal</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Amount</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Improved wildlife habitat’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> How much improved wildlife habitat has been measured in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b> 0-1,000,000</p> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Improved wildlife habitat amount unit**

<p><b>Data element name:</b> Improved wildlife habitat unit</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Unit for the total amount of improved wildlife habitat that is measured in and around enrolled fields. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.</p> <p><b>Data type:</b> List</p> <p><b>Measurement unit:</b> Category</p> <p><b>Logic:</b> Respond if yes to ‘Improved wildlife habitat’</p> <p><b>Data collection level:</b> Field</p>	<p><b>Reporting question:</b> What is the unit for the amount of improved wildlife habitat measured in the field?</p> <p><b>Select multiple values:</b> No</p> <p><b>Allowed values:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acres</li> <li>• Linear feet</li> <li>• Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p><b>Required:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Data collection frequency:</b> Annual</p>
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**Improved wildlife habitat purpose**

**Data element name:** Improved wildlife habitat purpose

**Description:** Purpose of tracking improved wildlife habitat in the enrolled field. If “other” is chosen, enter the appropriate value as free text in the additional column.

**Data type:** List

**Measurement unit:** Category

**Reporting question:** What is the purpose of tracking improved wildlife habitat in the field?

**Select multiple values:** No

**Allowed values:**

- Commodity marketing
- Producing insets
- Producing offsets
- I don't know
- Other (specify)

**Logic:** Respond if yes to 'Improved wildlife habitat'

**Required:** Yes

**Data collection level:** Field

**Data collection frequency:** Annual

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CSAF Practice Sub-questions

For some CSAF practices, there is an additional set of questions that are unique to each practice. Responses to these questions are needed to verify estimated GHG benefits of these practices. If a field is implementing a CSAF practice with an NRCS CPS code in Table 11, answer the follow-up questions listed next to the relevant practice name in the table. Use the *Supplemental Reporting Workbook – CSAF Practice Sub-questions* to report the required information.

Table 11. Follow-on questions for select CSAF practices

Practice name and code	Follow-up question	Options (select one)
Alley Cropping (CPS 311)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Coniferous trees Deciduous trees Shrubs
	Species density (number of trees planted per acre)	1-10,000
Anaerobic Digester (CPS 366)	Waste storage system prior to installing anaerobic digester	Aerobic lagoon
		Anaerobic digester (complex mix) with energy generation
		Anaerobic digester (plug flow) with energy generation
		Anaerobic lagoon
		Composting
		Covered lagoon (no energy generation or flaring)
		Covered lagoon with energy generation
		Covered lagoon with flaring
		Daily spread
		Deep bedding pack
Digester type	Digester type	Deep pit
		Dry lot
		Dry stacking/solid storage
		Pasture/range/paddock
		Poultry with bedding
		Poultry without bedding (e.g., high rise)
		Slurry tank/basin
		Covered lagoon with energy generation
		Covered lagoon with flaring
		Covered lagoon (no energy generation or flaring)
Additional feedstock source (select most common if using more than one)	Additional feedstock source (select most common if using more than one)	Complex mix with energy generation
		Plug flow with energy generation
		Other (specify)
		Food waste
		Straw or bedding
		Wastewater
		Other (specify)

Combustion System Improvement (CPS 372)	Fuel type before installation	Coal Diesel Electricity Gasoline Kerosene Liquified petroleum gas (LPG) Natural gas Propane Wood Other (specify)
	Fuel amount before installation	0-1,000,000
	Fuel amount unit before installation	Cubic feet (natural gas) Gallons (diesel, gasoline, propane, LPG, kerosene) Kilowatt-hours (electricity) Pounds (wood, coal) Other (specify)
	Fuel type after installation	Coal Diesel Electricity Gasoline Kerosene Liquified petroleum gas (LPG) Natural gas Propane Wood Other (specify)
	Fuel amount after installation	0-1,000,000
	Fuel amount unit after installation	Cubic feet (natural gas) Gallons (diesel, gasoline, propane, LPG, kerosene) Kilowatt-hours (electricity) Pounds (wood, coal) Other (specify)
Conservation Cover (CPS 327)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Brassicas Grasses Legumes Non-legume broadleaves Shrubs


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Conservation Crop Rotation (CPS 328)	Conservation crop type	Brassica Broadleaf Cool season Grass Legume Warm season
	Change implemented	Added perennial crop Reduced fallow period Both
	Conservation crop rotation tillage type	Conventional (plow, chisel, disk) No-till, direct seed Reduced till Strip till None Other (specify)
	Total conservation crop rotation length in days	1-120
Contour Buffer Strips (CPS 332)	Strip width (feet)	1-100
	Species category	Grasses Forbs Mix
Cover Crop (CPS 340)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Brassicas Forbs Grasses Legume Non-legume broadleaves
	Cover crop planned management	Grazing Haying Termination
	Cover crop termination method	Burning Herbicide application Incorporation Mowing Rolling/crimping Winter kill/frost
	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Grass Grass legume/forb mix Herbaceous woody mix Perennial or reseeding Shrubs Trees
Feed Management (CPS 592)	Crude protein (percent)	0-100
	Fat (percent)	0-100
	Feed additives/supplements	Chemical Edible oils/fats Seaweed/kelp Other (specify)
Field Border (CPS 386)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Forbs Grasses Mix Shrubs


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	Strip width (feet)	20-1,000
Filter Strip (CPS 393)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Forbs Grasses Mix Shrubs
Forest Farming (CPS 379)	Land use in previous year	Forest Multi-story cropping Pasture/grazing land Row crops Other agroforestry
Forest Stand Improvement (CPS 666)	Purpose for implementation	Maintain or improve forest carbon stocks Maintain or improve forest health and productivity Maintain or improve forest structure and composition Maintain or improve wildlife, fish, and pollinator habitat Manage natural precipitation more efficiently Reduce forest pest pressure Reduce forest wildfire hazard
Grassed Waterway (CPS 412)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Flowering Plants Forbs Grasses
Hedgerow Planting (CPS 422)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Grasses Shrubs Trees
	Species density (number of trees planted per acre)	1-10,000
Herbaceous Wind Barriers (CPS 603)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Forbs Grasses Mix Shrubs
	Barrier width (feet)	1-1,000
	Number of rows	1-100
Mulching (CPS 484)	Mulch type	Gravel Natural Synthetic Wood
	Mulch cover (percent of field)	0-100

	Nutrient type with CPS 590	Biosolids Commercial fertilizers Compost EEF (nitrification inhibitor) EEF (slow or controlled release) EEF (urease inhibitor) Green manure Liquid animal manure Organic by-products Organic residues or materials Solid/semi-solid animal manure Wastewater
	Nutrient application method with CPS 590	Banded Broadcast Injection Irrigation Surface application Surface application with tillage Variable rate
Nutrient management (CPS 590)	Nutrient application method in the previous year	Banded Broadcast Injection Irrigation Surface application Surface application with tillage Variable rate
	Nutrient application timing with CPS 590	Single pre-planting Single post-planting Split pre- and post-planting Split post-planting
	Nutrient application timing in the previous year	Single pre-planting Single post-planting Split pre- and post-planting Split post-planting
	Nutrient application rate with CPS 590	0-20,000
	Nutrient application rate unit with CPS 590	Gallons per acre Pounds per acre
	Nutrient application rate change	Decrease compared to previous year Increase compared to previous year No change
Pasture and Hay Planting (CPS 512)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Cool-season broadleaf Cool-season grass Warm-season broadleaf Warm-season grass
	Termination process	Grazing Haying (i.e., cutting and baling) Other (specify)
Prescribed Grazing (CPS 528)	Grazing type	Cell grazing Deferred rotational Management intensive Rest-rotation


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Range Planting (CPS 550)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Forbs Grasses Legumes Shrubs Trees
Residue and Tillage Management – No-till (CPS 329)	Surface disturbance	None Seed row only
Residue and Tillage Management – Reduced Till (CPS 345)	Surface disturbance	None Seed row/ridge tillage for planting Shallow across most of the soil surface Vertical/mulch
Riparian Forest Buffer (CPS 391)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Coniferous trees Deciduous trees Shrubs
	Species density (number of trees planted per acre)	1-10,000
Riparian Herbaceous Cover (CPS 390)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Ferns Forbs Grasses Legumes Rushes Sedges
Roofs and Covers (CPS 367)	Roof/cover type	Concrete Flexible geomembrane Metal Timber Other (specify)
Silvopasture (CPS 381)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Coniferous trees Deciduous trees Forage Shrubs
	Species density (number of trees planted per acre)	1-10,000
Stripcropping (CPS 585)	Strip width (feet)	1-1,000
	Crop category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Erosion resistant crops Fallow Sediment trapping crops
	Number of strips	2-100
Tree/Shrub Establishment (CPS 612)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Coniferous trees Deciduous trees Shrubs
	Species density (number of trees planted per acre)	1-10,000
Vegetative Barrier (CPS 601)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Grasses Grass forb mix Grass legume mix
	Barrier width (feet)	3-1,000

Waste Separation Facility (CPS 632)	Separation type	Chemical (e.g., salts, polymers) Mechanical (e.g., screens, presses) Settling basin
	Most common use of solids	Bedding Field applied Other (specify)
Waste Storage Facility (CPS 313)	Waste storage system prior to installing your waste storage facility	Aerobic lagoon Anaerobic digester (complex mix) with energy generation Anaerobic digester (plug flow) with energy generation Anaerobic lagoon Composting Covered lagoon (no energy generation or flaring)
		Covered lagoon with energy generation Covered lagoon with flaring Daily spread Deep bedding pack Deep pit Dry lot Dry stacking/solid storage Pasture/range/paddock Poultry with bedding Poultry without bedding (e.g., high rise) Slurry tank/basin
Waste Treatment (CPS 629)	Treatment type	Biological Chemical Mechanical
Waste Treatment Lagoon (CPS 359)	Waste storage system prior to installing waste treatment lagoon	Aerobic lagoon Anaerobic digester (complex mix) with energy generation Anaerobic digester (plug flow) with energy generation Anaerobic lagoon Composting Covered lagoon (no energy generation or flaring)
		Covered lagoon with energy generation Covered lagoon with flaring Daily spread Deep bedding pack Deep pit Dry lot Dry stacking/solid storage Pasture/Range/Paddock Poultry with bedding Poultry without bedding (e.g., high rise) Slurry tank/basin
	Is there a lagoon cover/crust?	Yes No
	Is there lagoon aeration?	Yes No

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Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation (CPS 380)	Species category (select most common/extensive type if using more than one)	Coniferous trees Deciduous trees Shrubs
	Species density (number of trees planted per acre)	1-10,000



## Appendix A: Climate-smart Agriculture and Forestry Practices

### All NRCS Practice Standards (not limited to climate-smart practices)

309, Agrichemical Handling Facility	390, Riparian Herbaceous Cover
311, Alley Cropping	391, Riparian Forest Buffer
313, Waste Storage Facility	393, Filter Strip
314, Brush Management	394, Firebreak
315, Herbaceous Weed Treatment	395, Stream Habitat Improvement and Management
316, Animal Mortality Facility	396, Aquatic Organism Passage
317, Composting Facility	397, Aquaculture Pond
318, Short Term Storage of Animal Waste and By-Products	398, Fish Raceway or Tank
319, On-Farm Secondary Containment Facility	399, Fishpond Management
320, Irrigation Canal or Lateral	400, Bivalve Aquaculture Gear and Biofouling Control
324, Deep Tillage	402, Dam
325, High Tunnel System	410, Grade Stabilization Structure
326, Clearing and Snagging	412, Grassed Waterway
327, Conservation Cover	420, Wildlife Habitat Planting
328, Conservation Crop Rotation	422, Hedgerow Planting
329, Residue and Tillage Management, No Till	423, Hillside Ditch
330, Contour Farming	428, Irrigation Ditch Lining
331, Contour Orchard and Other Perennial Crops	428A, Irrigation Water Conveyance, Ditch and Canal Lining, Plain Concrete
332, Contour Buffer Strips	428B, Irrigation Water Conveyance, Ditch and Canal Lining, Flexible Membrane
333, Amending Soil Properties with Gypsum Products	428C, Irrigation Water Conveyance, Ditch and Canal Lining, Galvanized Steel
334, Controlled Traffic Farming	430, Irrigation Pipeline
336, Soil Carbon Amendment	432, Dry Hydrant
338, Prescribed Burning	436, Irrigation Reservoir
340, Cover Crop	441, Irrigation System, Microirrigation
342, Critical Area Planting	442, Sprinkler System
345, Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till	443, Irrigation System, Surface and Subsurface
348, Dam, Diversion	447, Irrigation and Drainage Tailwater Recovery
350, Sediment Basin	449, Irrigation Water Management
351, Well Decommissioning	450, Anionic Polyacrylamide (PAM) Application
353, Monitoring Well	453, Land Reclamation, Landslide Treatment
355, Groundwater Testing	455, Land Reclamation, Toxic Discharge Control
356, Dike and Levee	457, Mine Shaft and Adit Closing
359, Waste Treatment Lagoon	460, Land Clearing
360, Waste Facility Closure	462, Precision Land Forming and Smoothing
362, Diversion	464, Irrigation Land Leveling
366, Anaerobic Digester	466, Land Smoothing
367, Roofs and Covers	468, Lined Waterway or Outlet
368, Emergency Animal Mortality Management	472, Access Control
371, Air Filtration and Scrubbing	484, Mulching
372, Combustion System Improvement	490, Tree/Shrub Site Preparation
373, Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces	500, Obstruction Removal
374, Energy Efficient Agricultural Operation	511, Forage Harvest Management
375, Dust Management for Pen Surfaces	512, Pasture and Hay Planting
376, Field Operations Emissions Reduction	516, Livestock Pipeline
378, Pond	520, Pond Sealing or Lining, Compacted Soil Treatment
379, Forest Farming	521, Pond Sealing or Lining, Geomembrane or Geosynthetic Clay Liner
380, Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation	521A, Pond Sealing or Lining, Flexible Membrane
381, Silvopasture	521B, Pond Sealing or Lining, Soil Dispersant
382, Fence	521C, Pond Sealing or Lining, Bentonite Sealant
383, Fuel Break	
384, Woody Residue Treatment	
386, Field Border	
388, Irrigation Field Ditch	


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521D, Pond Sealing or Lining, Compacted Clay Treatment	632, Waste Separation Facility
522, Pond Sealing or Lining - Concrete	633, Waste Recycling
527, Sinkhole Treatment	634, Waste Transfer
528, Prescribed Grazing	635, Vegetated Treatment Area
533, Pumping Plant	636, Water Harvesting Catchment
543, Land Reclamation, Abandoned Mined Land	638, Water and Sediment Control Basin
544, Land Reclamation, Currently Mined Land	640, Waterspreading
548, Grazing Land Mechanical Treatment	642, Water Well
550, Range Planting	643, Restoration of Rare or Declining Natural Communities
554, Drainage Water Management	644, Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management
555, Rock Wall Terrace	645, Upland Wildlife Habitat Management
557, Row Arrangement	646, Shallow Water Development and Management
558, Roof Runoff Structure	647, Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt
560, Access Road	649, Structures for Wildlife
561, Heavy Use Area Protection	650, Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation
562, Recreation Area Improvement	654, Road/Trail/Landing Closure and Treatment
566, Recreation Land Improvement and Protection	655, Forest Trails and Landings
570, Stormwater Runoff Control	656, Constructed Wetland
572, Spoil Disposal	657, Wetland Restoration
574, Spring Development	658, Wetland Creation
575, Trails and Walkways	659, Wetland Enhancement
576, Livestock Shelter Structure	660, Tree-Shrub Pruning
578, Stream Crossing	666, Forest Stand Improvement
580, Streambank and Shoreline Protection	670, Energy Efficient Lighting System
582, Open Channel	672, Energy Efficient Building Envelope
584, Channel Bed Stabilization	736, Crop By-Product Transfer, interim
585, Stripcropping	724, Water Treatment Facility, interim
587, Structure for Water Control	735, Waste Gasification Facility, interim
588, Crosswind Ridges	737, Reduced Water and Energy Coffee Conveyance System, interim
589, Cross Wind Trap Strips	740, Pond Sealing and Lining, Soil Cement, interim
590, Nutrient Management	751, Individual Terrace, interim
591, Amendments for Treatment of Agricultural Waste	753, Infiltration Ditch, interim
592, Feed Management	755, Well Plugging, interim
595, Pest Management Conservation System	770, Livestock Confinement Facility, interim
600, Terrace	775, Drainage Ditch Covering, interim
601, Vegetative Barrier	782, Phosphorus Removal System, interim
602, Equitable Relief	800, Controlling Existing Flowing Wells, interim
603, Herbaceous Wind Barriers	803, Water Well Disinfection, interim
604, Saturated Buffer	805, Amending Soil Properties with Lime, interim
605, Denitrifying Bioreactor	808, Soil Carbon Amendment, interim
606, Subsurface Drain	809, Conservation Harvest Management, interim
607, Surface Drain, Field Ditch	810, Annual Forages for Grazing Systems, interim
608, Surface Drain, Main or Lateral	812, Raised Beds, interim
609, Surface Roughening	815, Groundwater Recharge Basin or Trench, interim
610, Salinity and Sodic Soil Management	817, On-Farm Recharge, interim
612, Tree/Shrub Establishment	818, Water Conservation System, interim
614, Watering Facility	821, Low Tunnel Systems, interim
620, Underground Outlet	823, Organic Management, interim
629, Waste Treatment	
630, Vertical Drain	

Other CSAF Practices

Traditional or cultural practices

Microbial products

Solar power generation

Grain bin construction

Pre-season drainage

## Appendix B: Commodity List

CROPS

ALFALFA	CINNAMON	HYBRID POPLAR TREES
ALMONDS	CLOVER	IDLE
AMARANTH GRAIN	COCONUTS	INDIGO
APPLES	COFFEE	ISRAEL MELONS
APRICOTS	CORN	JACK FRUIT
ARONIA (CHOKEBERRY)	COTTON ELS	JERUSALEM ARTICHOKE
ARTICHOKE	COTTON UPLAND	JICAMA
ASPARAGUS	CRANBERRIES	JOJOBA
ATEMOYA	CRENSHAW MELON	JUJUBE
AVOCADOS	CRUSTACEAN	JUNE BERRIES
BAMBOO SHOOTS	CUCUMBERS	KENAF
BANANAS	CURRENTS	KHORASAN
BARLEY	DASHEEN	KIWIBERRY
BEANS	DATES	KIWIFRUIT
BEETS	DURIAN	KOCHIA (PROSTRATA)
BIRDSFOOT/TREFOIL	EGGPLANT	KOHLRABI
BLUEBERRIES	EINKORN	KOREAN GOLDEN MELON
BREADFRUIT	ELDERBERRIES	KUMQUATS
BROCCOFLOWER	EMMER	LAMBS EAR
BROCCOLI	FIGS	LEEK
BROCCOLINI	FINFISH	LEMONS
BRUSSEL SPROUTS	FLAX	LENTILS
BUCKWHEAT	FLOWERS	LESPEDEZA
CABBAGE	FORAGE SOYBEAN/SORGHUM	LETTUCE
CACAO	GAILON	LIMES
CACTUS	GARLIC	LONGAN
CAIMITO	GENIP	LOQUATS
CALABAZA MELON	GINGER	LYCHEE
CALALOO	GINSENG	MANGOS
CAMELINA	GOOSEBERRIES	MANGOSTEEN
CANARY MELON	GOURDS	MAPLE SAP
CANARY SEED	GRAPEFRUIT	MAYHAW BERRIES
CANE BERRIES	GRAPES	MEADOWFOAM
CANISTEL	GRASS	MILKWEED
CANOLA	GREENS	MILLET
CANTALOUPE	GROUND CHERRY	MIXED FORAGE
CARAMBOLA (STAR FRUIT)	GUAMABANA/SOURSOP	MOHAIR
CARROTS	GUAR	MOLLUSK
CASHEW	GUAVA	MORINGA
CASSAVA	GUAVABERRY	MULBERRIES
CAULIFLOWER	GUAYULE	MUSHROOMS
CELERIC	HAZEL NUTS	MUSTARD
CELERY	HEMP	NECTARINES
CHERIMOYA	HERBS	NIGER SEED
CHERRIES	HESPERALOE	NONI
CHESTNUTS	HONEY	OATS
CHICORY/RADICCHIO	HONEY BERRIES	OKRA
CHINESE BITTER MELON	HONEYDEW	OLIVES
CHRISTMAS TREES	HOPS	ONIONS
CHUFAS	HORSERADISH	ORANGES
	HUCKLEBERRIES	PAPAYA


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PARSNIP	STRAWBERRIES	
PASSION FRUITS	SUGAR BEETS	
PAWPAW	SUGARCANE	<u>LIVESTOCK</u>
PEACHES	SUNFLOWERS	ALPACAS
PEANUTS	SUNN HEMP	BEEF COWS
PEARS	TANGELOS	BEEFALO
PEAS	TANGERINES	BUFFALO OR BISON
PECANS	TANGORS	CHICKENS (BROILERS)
PENNYCRESS	TANGOS	CHICKENS (LAYERS)
PEPPERS	TANNIER	DAIRY COWS
PERENNIAL PEANUTS	TARO	DEER
PERIQUE TOBACCO	TEA	DUCKS
PERSIMMONS	TEFF	ELK
PINE NUTS	TI	EMUS
PINEAPPLE	TOBACCO CIGAR WRAPPER	EQUINE
PISTACHIOS	TOBACCO BURLEY	GEESE
PITAYA/DAGONFRUIT	TOBACCO BURLEY 31V	GOATS
PLANTAIN	TOBACCO CIGAR BINDER	HONEYBEES
PLUMCOTS	TOBACCO CIGAR FILLER	LLAMAS
PLUMS	TOBACCO CIGAR FILLER BINDER	REINDEER
POMEGRANATES	TOBACCO DARK AIR CURED	SHEEP
POTATOES	TOBACCO FIRE CURED	SWINE
POTATOES SWEET	TOBACCO FLUE CURED	TURKEYS
PRUNES	TOBACCO MARYLAND	
PSYLLIUM	TOBACCO VIRGINIA FIRE CURED	
PUMMELO	TOMATILLOS	
PUMPKINS	TOMATOES	
QUINCES	TREES TIMBER	
QUINOA	TRITICALE	
RADISHES	TRUFFLES	
RAISINS	TURNIPS	
RAMBUTAN	VETCH	
RAPESEED	WALNUTS	
RHUBARB	WAMPEE	
RICE	WASABI	
RICE SWEET	WATERMELON	
RICE WILD	WAX JAMBOO FRUIT	
RUTABAGA	WHEAT	
RYE	WILLOW SHRUB	
SAFFLOWER	WINTER MELON	
SAPODILLA	WOLFBERRY/GOJI	
SAPOTE	YAM	
SCALLIONS		
SESAME		
SHALLOTS		
SORGHUM		
SORGHUM DUAL PURPOSE		
SORGHUM FORAGE		
SOYBEANS		
SPELT		
SQUASH		
STAR GOOSEBERRY		

# Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities

## Additional Specific Terms and Conditions

### February 2023

#### I. Overarching Statement

The following award terms and conditions are applicable to Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities agreements and are in addition to the USDA FPAC General Terms and Conditions. The award recipient must abide by all terms of this grant including, but not limited to, the General Terms and Conditions, the terms in the Funding Opportunity and associated Frequently Asked Questions, and this addendum. The recipient must also deliver on the planned objectives in the project narrative and budget narrative associated with this grant.

#### II. Eligibility and Highly Erodible Lands and Wetlands Compliance

In order to be eligible for an incentive payment as a part of the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities, a producer must:

- Establish Farm Records with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) (have farm, tract, and field numbers in place);
- Complete an AD-2047 (Customer Data Worksheet to facilitate the collection of customer data for Business Partner Record);
- Certify highly erodible land conservation (HEL) and wetland conservation (WC) compliance via Form AD-1026, Highly Erodible Land Conservation (HEL) and Wetland Conservation (WC) Certification; and
- Certify that they are not a foreign person or entity.

Farm, tract, and field numbers are required for the producer, and ultimately the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities recipient, to report climate-smart practice implementation to USDA, as well as to certify and maintain HELC/WC compliance. This will require that some producers who do not already have these numbers, like perennial crop growers or feedlots, establish these records with USDA's FSA. Farm, tract, field numbers, producer name, and Core Customer I.D. (CCID) will be provided by the recipient to the National Program Officer as a part of routine grant reporting. Recipients must ensure that producers receiving financial assistance or incentives through this project use the same name as is included in the relevant FSA Business File for that Farm ID in any contracts or similar documentation kept by the recipient.

Producers are not bound by the payment limitations and the adjusted gross income (AGI) limitations that are in place for other USDA programs.

In order to demonstrate HELC/WC compliance for Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities incentive payments, producers will need to request a copy of their subsidiary print from their

USDA FSA field office. The Subsidiary Print includes print year specific eligibility related information about a selected producer. The producer will then provide this documentation to the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities recipients as proof of compliance. A current year subsidiary print will be required for each crop year that the producer receives a payment, and HELC/WC eligibility information is provided under the AD-1026 and Conservation Compliance sections of subsidiary (determined by year, which can change at any time during the year or in a subsequent year). As is the case already, field offices will not be expected to provide documentation to anyone besides the producer themselves (and must always comply with Section 1619 limitations if they ever do provide documentation to third parties). Producers must have control of the land for the term of their beneficiary contract.

Recipients are responsible for determining producer eligibility within the funding opportunity requirements. Recipients must inform producers of eligibility requirements and direct them to local USDA offices for requested information as necessary, including but not limited to, farm and tract establishment and Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Compliance determinations. Privacy of producers is a priority throughout this process, and recipients are responsible for maintaining producer privacy in the process.

At minimum, the recipient will collect and review subsidiary reports from participating producers. They will ensure that the producer is listed as “compliant” in all sections of the conservation compliance portion of subsidiary and “certified” for AD-1026 before an incentive payment is made. If payments to a producer span more than one Federal fiscal year, the recipient will review an updated subsidiary print each fiscal year to ensure that the status is still compliant.

### **III. Other Environmental and Cultural Resources Reviews**

A Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was signed by USDA NRCS on August 26, 2022. A copy of the Programmatic Environmental Assessment for Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities is available at [www.usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities](http://www.usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities). USDA may determine that additional environmental and cultural resources review is needed for any particular action under Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities. The recipient must not execute any beneficiary contracts under this grant agreement prior to receipt of a letter from USDA that specifically details:

- 1) further procedures deemed appropriate by the Agency to ensure a completed National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review and all appropriate consultation requirements are met, and
- 2) additional instructions for any unanticipated discoveries or conditions.

A resolution of support is required for projects on Tribal lands from the governing body of the Tribe with jurisdiction over that land, if the applicant is not the Tribe nor an entity owned or

operated by that Tribe. USDA may approve alternative documentation for resolutions when USDA deems necessary and legally sufficient.

#### **IV. Producer Benefits**

USDA encourages the recipient to disclose to participating producers the manner and amount for which any market premiums derived from the development of the relevant climate-smart commodity will be shared between participating parties, including producers. USDA will be monitoring producer benefits, in particular those to small and underserved producers, throughout the grant period. Recipients agree that their project(s) will implement a plan for engaging small and underserved producers as laid out in this agreement.

#### **V. Producer Data Protection and Disclosure**

Recipients must ensure each producer has convenient access to any data collected from that producer or the producer's land and any associated modeling as part of the project. The recipient must provide each producer applying for benefits under this grant a description in writing of how their information, including but not limited to data about their farm and commodities, will be utilized, protected and shared as applicable.

#### **VI. Other Data and Reporting Requirements**

In addition to the reporting information provided in the statement of work and General Terms and Conditions, USDA will provide a template for the Detailed Progress Report, also known as the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities (PCSC) Project Reporting Workbook. Within 30 calendar days of execution of this grant, a copy of this workbook will be posted at [www.usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities](http://www.usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities) or an alternative location provided to the recipient by the National Program Officer. USDA may provide updates to the PCSC Project Reporting Workbook or submission methods to streamline the data collection process and/or reduce the burden on the recipient throughout the grant period. Generally, these updates will be provided at least 3 months in advance of any required changes. The recipient must not transfer any data to foreign governments or foreign entities without prior approval from USDA.

USDA will provide a Technical Contact for this grant. The Technical Contact will have the responsibility of technical oversight for USDA for the project. The recipient is responsible for providing the technical assistance required to successfully implement and complete the project. The recipient must comply with any requests for information from the Technical Contact. The Technical Contact for this award is the National Program Officer assigned to this grant.

Prior to execution of this grant, the recipient must provide a shapefile depicting the project boundary for enrollment under this grant. Producer enrollment may not occur outside this boundary without modification of this grant.



Within 30 calendar days of execution of this grant, the recipient must provide to the National Program Officer a website address where enrollment information will be posted for producers for the project associated with this grant. Recipients will be responsible for the following reports:

- Submit quarterly performance reports that include a written progress report, as well as additional reporting on specific data elements contained in the most up-to-date version of the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities Project Reporting Workbook. Additional information about each reported element is described in the Data Dictionary.
- Submit supplemental reports required to validate greenhouse gas (GHG) benefit data, including: (1) an initial project MMRV plan, (2) field-modeled GHG benefit reports, and (3) field-direct GHG measurement results, as applicable. Additional information about these reports is included in the Data Dictionary.
- Submit copies of project outputs and deliverables (e.g., fact sheets, reports) as attachments in ezFedGrants along with quarterly performance reports.
- Report the version of COMET-Planner used to estimate GHG benefits of the project within each quarterly performance report. As COMET-Planner is updated, recipients must adopt the latest version of the tool as directed by USDA for use in performance reports.

Recipients must designate an individual as a member of the USDA Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities Learning Network (Partnerships Network); this representative should be identified in the Project Narrative for this grant. Each project includes a plan for up to two Partnerships Network virtual meetings and two in-person meetings a year during the project duration. Dates and other details on events will be posted at [www.usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities](http://www.usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities) or an alternative location provided to the recipient by the National Program Officer.

The Partnerships Network will be co-chaired by representative from the USDA Office of the Chief Economist and the Farm Production and Conservation Mission Area. The Partnerships Network will inform synthesis reports to be assembled by USDA on a range of topics related to the implementation of Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities projects, including:

- Lessons-learned as projects are implemented;
- Options for providing technical assistance;
- Procedures for measurement/quantification, monitoring, reporting, and verifying GHG benefits;
- Options for tracing climate-smart commodities through the supply chain;
- Mechanisms for reducing costs of implementation;
- A forum for discussion and learning regarding approaches to climate-smart agriculture and forestry implementation (including but not limited to deployment and

measurement/quantification, monitoring, reporting, tracking, and verification of associated greenhouse gas benefits and marketing of climate-smart commodities).

- Synthesis of outcomes; and
- Opportunities for USDA and others to inform future approaches to generating new and expanded markets for climate-smart commodities.

The Partnerships Network topics to be discussed will cover at minimum the areas described in previous FAQs and will evolve with USDA's ongoing project data analysis efforts and with input from the project recipients on the kinds of sessions that will be most helpful to them in building the diverse climate-smart markets associated with their projects. Participation may include at least one interview a year and include questions related to the following areas:

- Technical assistance approaches, methods, and successes and/or challenges
- Producer outreach approaches, methods, and successes and/or challenges
- Monitoring, measurement, reporting, and verification (MMRV) approaches, methods, and successes and/or challenges
- Marketing approaches, methods, and successes and/or challenges
- Partnership approaches, methods, and successes and/or challenges
- Data collection and storage approaches, methods, and successes and/or challenges
- Supply chain approaches, methods and successes and/or challenges, including approaches to traceability
- Supply chain benefits and demand for climate-smart commodities
- Perspectives on program design, climate-smart commodity definitions, and future approaches or opportunities
- Project successes and stories

USDA may also request producer exit reports at a later date. Additional marketing and branding-related requirements may be provided by USDA, including signage related to Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities.

## **VII. Competition and Anti-Competitive Practices**

In connection with this grant, recipients may not prohibit or otherwise limit a producer from changing the provider of other services or materials not included as part of this grant. Recipients may not condition, limit, steer, or discriminate in their provision or sale of non-project business functions or products to producers based on their participation or non-participation in or use of any services provided as part of this grant. Additionally, funds in this agreement shall not be used for purposes or activities related to mergers or acquisitions.

**VIII. Suspension and Disbarment**

The provisions governing Suspension and Disbarment in subsection 1.a.8 shall also apply to fraud, embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or violations of the Federal civil antitrust or unfair trade practice laws.

**IX. Special provisions for awards to for-profit entities as recipients**

This section contains provisions that apply to awards to for-profit entities. These provisions are in addition to other applicable provisions of these terms and conditions, or they make exceptions from other provisions of the terms and conditions for awards to for-profit entities. For-profit entities that receive awards have two options regarding audits:

- 1) A financial related audit of a particular award in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, in those cases where the for-profit entity receives awards under only one USDA program; or, if awards are received under multiple USDA programs, a financial related audit of all awards in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; or
- 2) An audit that meets the requirements contained in 2 CFR 200 subpart F.

For-profit entities that receive annual awards totaling less than the audit requirement threshold in 2 CFR 200 subpart F are exempt from USDA audit requirements for that year, but records must be available for review by appropriate officials of Federal agencies or the Government Accountability Office.

**X. Non-Disparagement**

Recipients may not engage in any advertising deemed by USDA as disparaging to another agricultural commodity or competing product, or in violation of the prohibition against false and misleading advertising. Disparagement is defined as anything that depicts other commodities in a negative or unpleasant light via overt or subjective video, photography, or statements. Comparative advertising is allowable, provided the presentation of facts is truthful, objective, not misleading, and supported by a reasonable basis.