



# Virginia

PARTNERSHIPS FOR  
**CLIMATE-SMART**  
COMMODITIES



## Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities

USDA's Partnerships for Climate Smart-Commodities seeks to build and expand market opportunities for American commodities produced using climate-smart practices. USDA is investing over \$3 billion in approximately 140 pilot projects through this effort. These projects, led by project partners will:

- Provide assistance to producers to voluntarily implement climate-smart production practices on working lands;
- Pilot innovative and cost-effective methods for quantification, monitoring, reporting and verification of greenhouse gas benefits; and
- Develop markets and promote the resulting climate-smart commodities.

## Creating Market Opportunities, Delivering Climate Solutions

America's farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners are on the front lines of climate change. At the same time, they are uniquely positioned to deliver climate solutions by implementing climate-smart production practices that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and sequester carbon.

There is a strong and growing interest in the private sector and among consumers for food that is grown in a climate-friendly way, creating a major market opportunity for climate-smart agriculture.

Through Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities, USDA is increasing the competitive advantage of U.S. agriculture both domestically and internationally, building wealth that stays in rural communities, and supporting a diverse range of producers and operation types. USDA is positioning American agriculture as a leader in delivering climate solutions through voluntary, incentive-based, market-driven approaches.

## Supporting Producers and Landowners in Virginia

With over \$937 million\* in federal funding invested in projects that include Virginia, producers and landowners can enroll in one of the 30 projects taking place in the state, covering 54 major commodities and 94 climate-smart and supporting practices.

Producers are invited to explore opportunities to participate in Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities projects, which are led by partners external to USDA. Visit the website at [usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities](https://usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities) to link to projects happening in your state.

USDA's goal is to ensure that its programs and investments are available to everyone and that underserved, small, medium and large-scale farmers can participate and prosper, including early adopters. All of the projects funded through this effort must meaningfully involve and benefit small and/or underserved producers.



## Visit the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities website

Learn more about:

1. Expanded Markets, Premiums and Incentives for Producing Climate-Smart Commodities
2. Increased Profits and Decreased Input Costs
3. Cost Share and Technical Assistance to Implement Climate-Smart Practices
4. More Productive and Resilient Agricultural Land
5. Understanding of Climate-Smart Benefits on Your Farm

\*Total funding for all projects that potentially impact this state.



# VIRGINIA CLIMATE-SMART COMMODITIES PROJECTS

Enroll in one of the 30 projects taking place in Virginia covering 54 major commodities. Contact one of the partners listed below or visit the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities website to learn more about climate-smart markets, premiums and incentives.



## DAIRY & LIVESTOCK



## ROW & ENERGY CROPS



## FRUIT, VEGETABLE & SPECIALTY CROPS



## FORESTS & AGROFORESTRY

A Greener World

Accelerating Appalachia, Inc.

American Farmland Trust

American Lamb Board

American Sustainable Business Institute, Inc.

Cooperative Regions of Organic Producer Pools

Farm Journal

Low Carbon Technologies, LLC

National Association of Conservation Districts

Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture

Texas A&M University (Kingsville)

TH Cattle Company, LLC

The Conservation Innovation Fund

The Nature Conservancy

The Wolfe's Neck Farm Foundation, Inc.

Truterra, LLC

Tuskegee University

University of Tennessee

VA Polytechnic Institute and State University

West Virginia University Research Corporation

Yale University

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National Association of Conservation Districts

National Black Growers Council

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture

Proximity Malt, LLC

The Wolfe's Neck Farm Foundation, Inc.

Truterra, LLC

U.S. Cotton Trust Protocol, LLC

University of Maryland Eastern Shore

VA Polytechnic Institute and State University

Yale University

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