

Healthy Soils Program

DESCRIPTION:

Healthy Soils Program (HSP), is an initiative stemming from a collaboration of state agencies and departments to promote the development of healthy soils on California's farmlands and ranchlands. The program has two components, the HSP Incentive Program and the HSP Demonstration Projects.

The HSP Incentives Program provides financial assistance for implementation of conservation management practices that include but are not limited to: compost application, mulching, cover cropping, hedgerow establishment, reduced/no-till, and range planting.



The HSP Demonstration Projects showcases California farmers and rangers implementation of HSP practices through GHG emissions data collection and conducting a cost benefit analysis for the adoption of the proposed practices.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE:

- California farmers, ranchers and Federal and California Recognized Native American Indian Tribes.
- University and research farms, and city community gardens are NOT eligible for funding through the HSP Incentives Program. These entities may apply for the HSP Demonstration Projects.

AVAILABLE FUNDING:

- \$100,000 for the Incentive Program
- \$250,000 for the Demonstration Projects

HOW TO APPLY:

Information on where to apply and when to apply will be communicated. Go to the CDFA website listed below to learn more about the programs.

DEADLINE TO APPLY:

Past applications have been on a first come, first served basis, or when funds are exhausted.

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