

Agricultural Adaptation Council (AAC) is a non-profit coalition of 72 Ontario agricultural, agri-food and rural organizations. The diverse membership of the AAC represents the agriculture and agri-food industry both regionally and by sector.

TRANSITIONING FROM CANADVANCE TO THE CANADIAN AGRICULTURAL ADAPTATION PROGRAM (CAAP)

While the AAC enters into an agreement with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada to deliver the successor program to CanAdvance, CAAP, the AAC will continue to accept applications to CanAdvance on a first-come first-serve basis.

We anticipate that the final applications submitted to the CanAdvance program will be reviewed at the October 15, 2009 board meeting.

All applications must be submitted to the AAC by **September 8, 2009**.

With approximately \$1 million remaining in CanAdvance, and the anticipation of signing of the CAAP agreement in the near future, the AAC cannot guarantee how long applications to the CanAdvance program (and the CanAdvance Speaker Investment Initiative) will continue to be accepted.

Please continue to visit www.adaptcouncil.org for more information.

CanAdvance is funded through Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's Advancing Canadian Agriculture and Agri-Food program and administered in Ontario by the AAC.

A complete list of projects funded through the Agricultural Adaptation Council is available at www.adaptcouncil.org

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

October 15, 2009

December 2, 2009

December 3, 2009 (AAC Annual Meeting)

FARM INNOVATION PROGRAM (FIP)

Industry directed funding is being provided for applied research projects and on-farm demonstrations that focus on innovative technologies for on-farm applications. FIP is funded through Growing Forward, a federal-provincial-territorial initiative, and administered by the AAC.

Eligible recipients must be a Canadian legal entity and may include:

- Non-supply managed organizations designated by the Ontario Agricultural Commodity Council OACC. Applications must be submitted by the organization.
- Individual farmers or groups of farmers in partnership or collaboration with a designated non-supply managed organization of OACC. Applications must be submitted by the organization.

All applications must be submitted by a non-supply managed organization. For more information and application forms please visit <http://www.adaptcouncil.org/e/current-programs/fip.php>

Growing Forward 

DID YOU KNOW?

Valued at more than \$37 million, CanAdvance projects leveraged in excess of \$63 million in total investments across the province. Projects funded through CanAdvance have helped the industry to be proactive in addressing many priorities such as those for the ethnic market, human resource capacity and the food and beverage processing industry. In addition, the CanAdvance Speaker Investment Initiative has provided funding to 413 speakers.

On behalf of the Ontario farm community, we acknowledge the unique opportunity that was made available to our industry through the federal ACAA Program. We look forward to working with the federal government in the delivery of the Canadian Agricultural Adaptation Program.

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