INNOVATIVE AGRICULTURE AND MARKETING PARTNERSHIP

A public, private, tribal partnership building climate-smart markets and increasing the adoption of climate-smart practices in Idaho.

About the IAMP Idaho Project

IAMP Idaho is a public, private, tribal partnership building climate-smart markets and increasing the adoption of climate-smart practices on more than 200 farms in Idaho through the provision of financial and technical assistance to producers, with a focus on barley, beef, chickpeas, hops, potatoes, sugar beets and wheat.

The University of Idaho-led project will receive \$55 million from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to fund the five-year effort. More than half of the funding will be used to incentivize Idaho's voluntary farmers and ranchers to adopt agronomic practices intended to improve soil health and keep greenhouse gases from entering the atmosphere.

At least 30% of project participants will represent underserved communities. Funded partners include the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts, the Nez Perce and Coeur d'Alene Tribes, The Nature Conservancy Agriculture Program in Idaho, Desert Mountain Grassfed Beef and Arrowleaf Consulting.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Climate Smart Agriculture?

Climate smart agriculture aims to enhance the capacity of the agricultural systems to support food security, incorporating the need for adaptation and the potential for mitigation into sustainable agriculture development strategies.

Who is Eligibile To Participate?

Farmers and ranchers of Idaho's major commodities located anywhere in the state are eligible to apply.

How Can Farmers & Ranchers Get Involved?

The program aims to enroll 200 farmers and ranchers who may contact funded partners to enroll. Funded partners include the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts, the Coeur d'Alene and Nez Perce tribes, the Nature Conservancy and Desert Mountain Beef.

What Resources Are Available To Help Me Implement These Practices?

Funded partners will provide technical expertise and site visits for participating producers.University of Idaho Extension will produce educational materials and bulletins. An online dashboard and portal will share research findings about climate smart practices through text, video, audio and interactive resources.

How Much Will The Program Pay Farmers & Ranchers?

Average program payments are estimated at \$60 an acre dependent on the crop and the practice involved. Some combinations of crops and practices will pay more, and some will pay less.

Which Practices Are Eligible For Compensation?

Covered practices will include cover cropping, cover cropping with livestock grazing, reduced or no-till, interseeding, precision fertilizer application, and partial nitrogen fertilizer replacement with biochar, among others. Growers will get to pick which practices they would like to try from the final approved list.

Can Farmers & Ranchers Already Using These Practices Still Enroll?

Yes, however, producers who are already receiving funding for the same practice on the same acreage through another program will not be eligible for duplicate practices.



Benefits to Idaho's Farmers and Ranchers

A win-win partnership — a win for the climate by reducing greenhouse gas emissions from our agriculture, and for growers by improving sustainability and profitability.

Expanded markets and revenue streams for farmers and ranchers and commodities across the industry.

Approximately 31,000-70,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents prevented from entering the atmosphere annually while replenishing organic matter in cropland soils.

Generating data that will help inform future carbon credit trading for producers.

Idaho's producers will be represented with all other funded projects nationwide through this program to inform policy for climate-smart agriculture and food systems.

Partners



Supporting Partners

Commissions and Cooperatives

Idaho Barley Commission Idaho Brewers United Idaho Potato Commission Idaho Wheat Commission Montana Seed Potato Certification Potato Sustainability Alliance Potatoes USA

Federal USDA-ARS (Pullman, WA and Kimberly, ID) USDA-NRCS USDA-Climate Hub **Processing and Marketing Industry**

Amalgamated Sugar Anheuser-Busch Hillside Grains Idaho Brewers United JR Simplot Company Magic Valley Produce Mart Produce McCain Foods Zacca Hummus

Others Salmon Safe Wave Foundation

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