



New Brunswick Soil and Crop Improvement Association to Deliver the Expansion Phase (2025-2028) of the On-Farm Climate Action Fund to New Brunswick Farmers

Fredericton, New Brunswick (Jan 29, 2025) the New Brunswick Soil and Crop Improvement Association (NBSCIA) is pleased to announce that NBSCIA is one of 13 organizations to receive funding for expansion of the On-Farm Climate Action Fund (OFCAF) until March 31, 2028 announced on January 28, 2025 by the Honourable Lawrence MacAulay, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food.

The On-Farm Climate Action Fund is an initiative to help farmers tackle climate change. It is part of the Government of Canada's Agricultural Climate Solutions initiative, which falls under the more than \$5-billion Natural Climate Solutions Fund, a 10-year (2021-2031) initiative managed by Natural Resources Canada, Environment and Climate Change Canada, and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC). The total OFCAF funding announced for New Brunswick producers is approximately \$10,000,000 over the next three years.

Funding provided by AAFC and delivered by NBSCIA will support New Brunswick's producers in their ongoing progress adopting beneficial management practices (BMPs) that reduce greenhouse gases (GHGs) and store carbon, specifically for in-field nitrogen management, expanding cover cropping, and implementing rotational grazing practices. These practices also provide other environmental benefits such as improved biodiversity and soil health.

The OFCAF program will also support delivery of educational workshops and peer-to-peer learning opportunities for industry professional and agriculture producers. These knowledge sharing events will provide participants with knowledge from the latest research, first-hand experience from their peers and access to information networks supporting co-learning opportunities long-term.

Further details will be available in the near future.



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