

KENTUCKY AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT PROGRAM

Hay, Straw, and Commodity Storage Program

Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, INC

APPLICATION FORM

DAVIESS COUNTY

Date Received: _____

Received by: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: (HOME) _____ (CELL PHONE) _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER or TAX ID: _____

FARM ADDRESS: _____

FSN #: _____

This application is for _____ HAY OR STRAW STORAGE
_____ GRAIN STORAGE

Application Period: August 26, 2003 through February 26, 2004.

1. Applications will be available at the Educational Meetings ONLY.

Implementation Dates:

1. Purchases must be made *after* August 26, 2003 and *before* February 26, 2004.
 2. Completion of facilities or improvements must be made by February 26, 2004.
 3. Deadline for all receipts and documentation for this funding cycle reimbursement must be filed with the GRABIG, INC/Daviess County by February 26, 2004.
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Data Collection:

- A. Are you a tobacco producer? YES / NO **THIS WILL NOT AFFECT YOUR ELIGIBILITY FOR COST SHARE.**

- B. Are you a quota owner? YES / NO **THIS WILL NOT AFFECT YOUR ELIGIBILITY FOR COST SHARE.**

- C. **Please fill out the questionnaire sheet attached for Hay & Straw Storage, Grain Storage, or Commodity Storage. (See attached)**

- D. Answer the following questions: (If more room is needed, attach a sheet of paper.)
 - 1. What is your degree of tobacco-producing dependency? (Divide your income from tobacco (sales & lease) by your total household income. _____%)

 - 2. What is your percentage of personal income from farming? (Divide your gross farming income by your total household income.) _____%

 - 3. Describe what problem this facility will eliminate: _____

 - 4. Describe how cost share on building this facility will improve your overall profitability: _____

 - 5. Discuss any future changes you hope to make on your farm or any goals you have for your operation and how this facility will help achieve them:

6. Please provide a written plan or description of your project. Diagrams, drawings, or photographs are allowed and encouraged.
 - a. Include post size and spacing wall ties, board size and spacing, rafters or truss spacing. All trusses used must have an Engineering Stamp.
 - b. Provide estimates of total capacity (number of bales or bushels)
 - c. Provide drainage plan.
 - d. Please provide pictures/brochures of purchased items (hoop structure or grain bins.)
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Eligible Cost Share Items:

A. Hay & Straw Storage

1. Materials and construction of permanent (barn attached) hay shed or free standing hay shed, pole barn or Quonset hut type hay/straw storage facilities. (#3 rock spread within structure is also eligible)

B. Commodity Storage

1. Purchase of new grain bins only.
 2. Purchase of new or used feed bins.
 3. Concrete for **bin** foundations **ONLY**.
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General Rules:

1. No personal transportation charges will be reimbursed.
 2. Shipment of hoop structures or grain bins will be allowed as cost share if provided by a carrier service.
 3. Applicant will have 6 months to complete the project.
 4. **Producer must provide receipts from each cost share item and a canceled check, money order, or cashiers check is required for all expenditures.**
 5. **Hay and Straw storage barns are to be used for hay and straw storage only. Recipients of Ag Development funds are required to retain ownership of facilities for FIVE YEARS.**
 6. Each producer is required to attend an educational session provided by the Cooperative Extension Service if receiving cost share for hay/straw, grain, or commodity storage.
 7. Only items that are purchased within this application period qualify for cost share.
 8. All projects are recommended to follow University of Kentucky Agricultural Engineering Department guidelines. Any questions should be directed to your County Extension Agent.
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Application Procedures:

Applicants must **COMPLETE** all application forms, provide all required information, and agree to all terms of the agreement.

1. The program is open to all county producers, with any question of eligibility determined by the Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, INC/Daviess County. Eligibility cannot be tied to participation in any organization.
2. Grant assistance will be made available on a matching basis **up to 50% of project cost**, with a **maximum grant per farm operation of \$5000**. In-kind contributions such as land and buildings, etc. will **NOT** count toward the producer's share. ***The maximum cost-share benefit to any farm (FSN) and individual shall be \$5000 for the lifetime of this program.***
3. The application must be signed and dated by the producer and must include a date/time stamp from the administrative body as well as the initials of the person logging in the application at the Extension Office.
4. All funds will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis. 90% of approved funds shall be distributed after program administrators receive and review paid receipts, certification of improvements/installation, and the producer has fulfilled the educational requirements. The remaining 10% of approved funds shall be distributed after all other reporting requirements have been met. Producers may be paid on a pro-rated basis, depending on how many applications are received. Producer must provide receipts for each item being cost-shared. **Producer must answer all questions on this application prior to receiving cost-share.**
5. An application from an individual **without** a tax ID or Social Security number and a FSN Farm number will be considered **incomplete**. To be eligible for Agricultural Development Funds the producers must be engaged in the production of hay, straw, grain or operating a livestock enterprise. Any individual or entity that receives a payment of \$600 or more will receive an IRS Form 1099 from the Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, INC.
6. Producer shall retain adequate insurance coverage to replace any and all structures erected with or improved by Agricultural Development Funds.
7. The producer is required to supply a numbered and dated receipt indicating the buyer and seller information to be eligible for payment. **A canceled check, money order, or cashiers check must accompany all receipts.**
8. Should the producer fail to utilize funds by the reimbursement deadline, the associated funds shall be reallocated to the next available application. Additionally, the producer must reapply to be considered for cost-share funds in the next funding cycle.
9. As a prerequisite for participation of this program, each producer is required to provide a budget in the area for each enterprise where assistance is being sought.

Certification and Maintenance Agreement:

By signing this Application and Maintenance Agreement:

1. I acknowledge that I have read and understand the rules included in this document.
2. I agree to the terms of this program and acknowledge that I understand the terms of purchasing and owning the materials, equipment, etc. for which I receive cost share assistance.
3. I further certify that the items shown in the cost section of this application were installed in accordance with the specifications and requirements of the program and hereby apply for payment to the extent that the Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, INC (GRABIG) has determined that the program has been performed. I agree to maintain the equipment purchased and the property upon which the project has occurred for at least five years from this date, and agree to refund all or part of the cost share grant assistance paid to me if I dispose of the equipment or voluntarily relinquish title to the land during this time period.
4. I accept full legal responsibility and liability for materials, equipment, etc. for which I receive cost-share assistance through this program. I release the Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, INC (GRABIG) and its program committee and any or all of its members in any or all matters related to the cost-share and loan materials, equipment, etc. In addition, I release the Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, INC (GRABIG), Daviess County Agricultural Development Council, the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board, the Daviess County Extension Service and its Agents and any other resource people who may be involved in this project.

I hereby request funding under the Green River Area Beef Improvement Group, INC/ Daviess County Hay, Straw and Commodity Storage Program and agree to follow the guidelines in order to receive payment. By signing below, I am stating that all receipts and/or documents submitted with this application are, to the best of my knowledge, true. I understand that if I fail to meet the reporting requirements associated with these cost-share dollars, I may be required to repay a portion of the original grant amount.

Authorized Signature

Date

Please return application or mail to:
Green River Area Beef Improvement Group
Daviess County Extension Service
4800A New Hartford Road
Owensboro, KY 42303-1800

Questionnaire for Hay & Straw Storage Improvements

1. Total acres harvested: Hay _____ Straw _____
2. Average yield in tons/acre: Hay _____ Straw _____
3. Amount currently stored: Hay _____ Straw _____
4. Commercial sales in tons: Hay _____ Straw _____
5. Number of animals and days fed (if applicable): _____
6. Production information:
 - a. Average daily gain _____
 - b. Daily milk production (if applicable) _____
7. Details of this system compared to previous methods:

8. Nutritional analysis is not required but is strongly recommended for hay*

**This service can be obtained through the Kentucky Department of Agriculture by calling 1-800-248-4628.*

Questionnaire for Commodity Storage Improvements

1. Estimated tonnage of annual commodities for feed purchased as a result of investment in storage facilities: _____

2. Estimated dollar savings per ton as a result of investment in storage facilities:

Questionnaire for Grain Storage Improvements

1. Acres of grain & Average yield: _____ acres Corn _____ bu/acre
_____ acres Soybeans _____ bu/acre
_____ acres Wheat _____ bu/acre

2. Amount stored: _____ bu. Corn
_____ bu. Soybeans
_____ bu. Wheat

3. Average harvest price captured: _____ Corn
_____ Soybeans
_____ Wheat

4. Average price captured on stored grain: _____ Corn
_____ Soybeans
_____ Wheat

5. Details of this system compared to previous methods: _____

