



Grant Application Information October 2018

The Healthy Soils Program (through the California Department of Food and Agriculture) is a collaboration of local and state agencies and departments to promote the **development of healthy soils on California's orchards, vineyards, ranchlands, row crops and other farmland.**

So far, the Program has funded about **90 projects statewide.**
For the 2019 year, the State has appropriated **\$15 million** for additional Healthy Soils projects.

The HSP offers **two types of grant opportunities:**

- The **HSP Incentives Program** funds the implementation of agricultural practices that improve soil health, sequester carbon and reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions
- The **HSP Demonstration Projects** fund the practices *and* education activities to showcase implementation of practices to CA ranchers and farmers (w and w/o research)

2019 Program Details

Timing: Grant guidelines and solicitation will be released **mid-November 2018**. Applicants will have **8 weeks** to finalize their application, so applications will be **due ~mid January 2019**.

Eligible Management Practices: See reverse side for eligible practices

If you are interested in applying for a Healthy Soils Incentive or Demonstration Grant (or for a State Water Efficiency and Enhancement program grant (SWEET)), please contact:

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Existing Eligible Practices For Incentive and Demonstration Projects

- Cover Crop
- Mulching
- Residue and Tillage Management – No-Till
- Residue and Tillage Management – Reduced Till
- Compost Application to Annual Crops
- Compost Application to Perennials, Orchards and Vineyards
- Compost Application to Grassland
- Contour Buffer Strips
- Field Border
- Filter Strip
- Herbaceous Wind Barrier
- Riparian Herbaceous Cover
- Vegetative Barriers
- Hedgerow Planting
- Riparian Forest Buffer
- Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment
- Silvopasture

New 2019 Eligible Practices For Incentive and Demonstration Projects (No Research component) *

New 2019 Eligible Practices For Demonstration Projects Only (With Research Component) *

Nutrient Management (15% reduction in fertilizer application) (CPS 590)

Strip-cropping (CPS 585)

Forage and Biomass Planting (CPS 512)

Conservation Cover (CPS 327)

Range Planting (CPS 550)

Grassed Waterway (CPS 412)

Alley Cropping (CPS 311)

Multistory Cropping (CPS 379)

Prescribed Grazing (CPS 528)

Conservation Crop Rotation (CPS 328)

Tree/Shrub Establishment (CPS 612)

Application of On-farm Produced Compost

Nutrient Management (Replacing Synthetic N Fertilizer with Soil Amendments) (CPS 590)

Whole Almond Orchard Recycling

One-time Compost Application with Higher Rates for Grazed Grasslands

Anaerobic Digestate Application

Vermicompost Application

Mycorrhizal Application

Microbial Inoculation with Compost Tea

* These practices are pending final review by the CDFA

**For general questions, please contact Andrew Johnson at andrew@us-ltrcd.org
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