CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT APPLICATION

Funding for this program is limited. All completed applications will be considered and awarded on a first come first serve basis. Eligible projects may receive a grant up to \$10,000 per farm. Please review budget guidelines in section 5.

Submit completed applications to: ljk4@cornell.edu

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Section 1: Applicant Information

Applicant's Name

First	Last	
Name of Farm Operation		
Home Address		
Street		
City	_ State	_Zip
Approximate Improvement Site Add	ress	
Street		
City	_State	_Zip
Estimated Start Date:		Estimated Completion Date:
Email		
Phone (Best phone number to reach		the day.)

(____)____

Section 2: Are You Eligible?

1. Is the applicant a Chautauqua County resident at least 18 years of age?

Yes

No

2. Does the applicant materially and participate in the day-to-day production of the farm operation?

Yes

No

3. Is the proposed improvement site located in Chautauqua County?

Yes

No

4. Does the Agricultural Business applying for enhancement funds, file a Schedule F with the IRS?

Yes

No

If you answered "yes" to all questions, proceed to the next section.

Section 3:

5. I agree to submit a completed business plan within 30 days of this application to be considered for project funding.

Yes

No

6. Do you want assistance with your business plan?

Yes

No

7. I agree to submit a completed W9 upon request.

Yes

No

8. I understand that all eligible expenses must be incurred after project approval and before 10 months after the designated start date.

Yes

No

Section 4: Project Summary

Describe your situation and why you are applying for this improvement program.



Section 5: Attachments

Include a proposed Improvement Budget. Grant funds can reimburse up to 10% of removal fees and up to 25% of remediation or improvement expenses. Grant total not to exceed \$10,000 per farm. Email your proposed budget to ljk4@cornell.edu.

Section 6: Certifications

The undersigned does solemnly affirm, acknowledge, and agree that:

(a) He/she is authorized to execute this application on behalf of the farm operation and that to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief, all statements in the application, including all attachments hereto and any affidavits, certifications or supplemental information provided herewith, are true and accurate.

(b) Applicant will be obligated to repay any grant funds received under this Program in the event (a) its application, including any information provided therewith or thereafter, contains any material misrepresentations; or (b) the grant was made in error and the applicant is not entitled to assistance under the Guidelines; or (c) it fails to provide documentation to support any grant payments.

(c) In the event the applicant fraudulently represents any information in the application or supporting documentation, CCE may exercise any and all remedies available to it under the law and shall refer the matter to the appropriate authorities for prosecution.

(d) This application is a request for assistance and does not obligate CCE to award any funds.

(e) Budget calculations in the application are subject to review and adjustment. Under no circumstances do the calculations imply award of funds. If approved, award may be adjusted or rescinded if warranted upon comparison of all documentation.

(f) The receipt of any grants made under this Program is subject to approval.

(g) All documents submitted will become property of CCE Chautauqua and will not be returned.

(h) CCE Chautauqua reserve the right to modify the requirements of this application and to require additional information from the applicant.

(i) CCE Chautauqua may reject any application that it deems incomplete, ineligible for assistance or inappropriate for funding.

(j) Complete applications must be submitted by October 15, 2023, to be considered for funding.

(k) In accordance with IRS regulations all Program Assistance disbursed to an applicant will be reported by CCE to the IRS and CCE shall mail a Form 1099 to you at the address provided.

(I) Applicant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless CCE, as well as their respective agents, directors and employees, for any claims arising from the administration of this program.

(m) Applicant agrees to comply with the Chautauqua County Agricultural Improvement Project guidelines and requirements.

(o) Applicant's name and any grant award may be used by CCE in its promotional materials.

 \Box Check here to indicate if you agree with the above statements.

Signature

Print name

Date