

Northwest Territories CAP Funding to Attend AgEx Conference Application Guide

Instructions

The following information has been compiled to help farmers fill out the Canadian Agricultural Partnership Program Application to attend the Agricultural Excellence Conference taking place December 2-4, 2019 in Fredericton, New Brunswick.

Canadian Agricultural Partnership Program Guide (Pages 12-13):

https://www.iti.gov.nt.ca/sites/iti/files/cap_final_eng_guide.pdf

Application

Please use this information to facilitate filling in your Application.

https://www.iti.gov.nt.ca/sites/iti/files/nwt9081_fillable.pdf

Funding

Eligible costs include tuition, training and course fees, registration fees, instructor/speaker fees, educational materials and travel expenses (travel costs must be consistent with GNWT travel expense guidelines).

Eligible non-travel costs and travel costs for northern-based learning will be reimbursed to a maximum of 90 percent. Emerging producers/processors will be reimbursed to a maximum of 100 percent and must clearly demonstrate their commitment to becoming a food producer/processor. Travel costs for out-of-territory training for experienced producers/processors will be covered to a maximum of 50 percent. The annual funding limit is \$5,000 per year for combined travel and non-travel.

Project Information

Canadian Agricultural Partnership Program: Agriculture Training Program

Project Description

Name of event: 2019 Agriculture Excellence Conference

Dates: December 2- 4 2019

Location: Fredericton, New Brunswick

The Agricultural Excellence Conference is different from other agricultural events in that it:

- ✓ focuses specifically on addressing key farm business management principles using a systematic approach to business management
- ✓ welcomes farmers across regions and production sectors to exchange and gain insight into beneficial management practices
- ✓ welcomes diverse stakeholders, providing learning to those who are positioned to provide services to farmers (government, advisors, academia, organizations, etc.)

The Conference includes plenary speakers, concurrent sessions, and discussion panels. A national farm business resource showcase is held in conjunction with the Conference. AgEx provides an opportunity to share insights, transfer knowledge and network.

Having a physical meeting place helps farmers and industry stakeholders build their business network with other like-minded industry professionals for ongoing business development and adoption of beneficial practices.

Outline your management experience and staff requirements:

- Fill out for your own farm situation

Project benefits to NWT agriculture will be measured by the federal government according to these outcomes. Please check the one(s) that this project addresses:

- ✓ Increase competitiveness, productivity or profitability (e.g. projects will demonstrate food production).
- ✓ Improve the anticipation, mitigation and response to risks.

Please explain how your project benefits the industry, your community and your business:

I will gain valuable business management knowledge through Conference speakers, and also gain an understanding of agriculture across Canada by connecting with delegates from coast to coast to exchange ideas and best practices.

Farmers who invest in business practices can increase profit by up to 575%.

The business management training received at the AgEx Conference will result in:

- ✓ Increased adoption of beneficial management practices including business planning and succession planning to establish a solid foundation for sustainable business growth
- ✓ Increased confidence in driving farm business communications with the farm team, family and professionals
- ✓ Increased confidence in making informed decisions
- ✓ Increased appreciation for the necessary balance between economics, environment and social sustainability
- ✓ Increased ability to assess vulnerabilities and opportunities to incorporate environmental, economic, and social sustainability
- ✓ Increased ability to assess capacity to adopt new technologies, innovative practices or embrace market opportunities and, do so strategically.
- ✓ Greater awareness attached to seeking assistance for health and wellness, including mental health
- ✓ Greater awareness of agricultural practices in other regions of Canada and the world
- ✓ Increased awareness of the tools and resources available to support the adoption of beneficial management practices
- ✓ Increased peer and professional networks to draw on for advice, expertise and guidance in managing the farm business

Project Start Date: December 1 2019

Project End Date: December 5 2019

Proposed Project Budget

Project Costs		Sources of Financing	If Emerging producers/processors, claim 100%	If experienced producers/processor, claim 50%
Eligible Costs		Canadian Agricultural Partnership Contribution	\$2031.50	\$1015.75
Airfare (from Yellowknife to Fredericton)	\$660	Equity – Applicant Contribution	0	\$1015.75
Accommodations (\$133/night)	\$399	Other Funding Sources	0	0
Meals Breakfast \$24.45 Lunch \$27.65 Dinner: \$60.30 Meals are provided with conference registration so you only need to claim meals for travel time. Will likely need to travel Sunday and Thursday, so meals would be \$397.50	\$397.50	Profit	0	0
Taxi Fare Checker Cab is now operating a shuttle to the Delta Fredericton, Hilton Garden Inn, and Crowne Plaza hotels, as well as the core downtown area. Contact Checker Cab at 506-450-8294 or see the commissionaire in arrivals for details on fares, where to board, and when.	\$50			
Registration Costs https://fmc-gac.com/programs-services/agricultural-excellence-conference/	\$525			
Ineligible Costs				
GST	\$245.10			
Total expenses	\$2031.50	Total Revenue	\$2031.50	\$2031.50

Submission/Questions

Complete an application and submit it to your regional ITI office. If you have any questions, please contact your regional office.

ITI Trade and Investment Regional Offices

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Yellowknife
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South Slave Region
Fort Smith
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Beaufort-Delta Region
Inuvik
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Sahtu Region
Norman Wells
Manager (867) 587-7166

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Agriculture and Commercial Food Development Analyst
Department of Industry, Tourism and Investment
Hay River, NWT (867) 874-5406

Note: Farmers may be eligible for funding to attend Agricultural Excellence in Fredericton. Use of this document to guide you through the process does not guarantee funding.