

Carbon Farm Plan (CFP) Application

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant:	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><i>First Name</i></td> <td style="width: 33%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><i>MI</i></td> <td style="width: 33%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><i>Last Name</i></td> </tr> </table>		<i>First Name</i>	<i>MI</i>	<i>Last Name</i>
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Landowner <input type="checkbox"/> Lessee				
	Owner Name: Phone:				
Mailing Address (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):					
Phone(s):	Cell: ()	Home: ()			
	Business: ()	Other: ()			
E-mail:					
Farm/Ranch Name:					
Farm/Ranch Address (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):					
Acre(s) and associated Assessor's Parcel Number(s) (APN):					
	If there is more than one APN under consideration, are the parcels noted above contiguous? Yes / No				

QUALIFYING QUESTIONS

(Select yes or no)

1. Yes / No Is the parcel(s) offered under this application in Tehama County?

Select the current land use(s) on this parcel(s). If more than one parcel, please note the APNs :

Irrigated pasture Rangeland Orchard Other crop Forest

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2. Yes / No Is the parcel(s) offered under this application enrolled in a conservation program?
If yes, check all that apply

NRCS:

- Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)
 Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP)
 Healthy Forest Reserve Program
 Agriculture Conservation Easement Program
 Wetland Reserve Easement

Other:

- Please describe:

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3. Yes / No Are you willing to participate as an engaged partner in the development of a CFP?

The producer must actively engage with project collaborators including the Tehama Conservation Fund and project partners: the RCD of Tehama County, NRCS, Point Blue Conservation Services, and other associated entities during the CFP process; participate in partner site visits, attend periodic meetings, be responsive and available, and provide relevant information as needed.

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4. Yes / No Are ALL shared property interests committed to participating in the project?

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5. Yes / No Are you willing to pursue funding opportunities to implement carbon farm practices identified in the CFP?

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6. Yes / No Are you willing to serve as a demonstration site to showcase carbon farming practices and program promotion?

The producer is willing to represent the project and farm/ranch for positive publicity to include print, photography, video, and social media channels.

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7. Yes / No After carbon farm practices are established, are you willing to monitor and maintain the integrity of the new management practices for a minimum of 5 years?
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SCORING ROUND

(Respond to the questions below or provide as an attachment. Limit 2 pages.)

Farm/Ranch Operations:

1. Briefly describe your farm or ranch operations. Examples may include year-round or rotational grazing, cow-calf, fall calving, organic dairy, silage production, laying hens, seasonal grazing, etc.

Farm/Ranch Goals:

2. Note your long-range plans for your ranch including any plans to increase agricultural productivity and or diversification. Examples may include direct marketing, leases, value added production, etc.

Do you intend to add or increase acreage for farming (livestock, poultry production, row crops, orchards or vineyards, row crops, etc.)?

3. **Carbon Farming Interest:** (check all that apply):

- soil quality, increase organic matter, etc.
- water quality, sediment/pathogen reduction, etc.
- water development, increase water holding capacity, water conservation, etc.
- air quality, carbon sequestration, GHG reduction, climate resiliency
- wildlife enhancement for birds, fish, mammals, frogs, other, please list:

Please note why the above were select, i.e., drought resilience, wildlife habitat, climate mitigation, etc.

Partners:

4. Yes / No Have you worked with any of the following agencies/organizations (NRCS, RCD, UCCE) and in what capacity, i.e., professional advice, participation in agency programs, ranch tours/field demonstration day(s)?

If yes, list any written evaluations or plans for your farm/ranch that have been prepared in partnership with these agencies/organizations or consultants. Examples may include a Conservation Plan, Grazing Plan, Nutrient Management Plan, Biological Study, Organic Systems Plan, Resource Assessment, or Rangeland Evaluation.

Please include the name of the partnership agency, the year each document was completed, and whether plans can be shared with Plan development personnel.

Extension: (Optional)

1. Note any additional information you believe would be helpful in the selection of your farm/ranch for Plan development.

The information provided above is reflective of my best understanding of the noted parcel(s). I understand that the initial evaluation of my property by the Carbon Farm Plan project is based upon the information submitted with my application, current use, and configuration of the parcel(s), as well as an initial site visit by the CFP selection team.

Signature

Date

Print Full Name

Applications are due ~~May 24, 2017~~ June 5, 2017. Please submit to:

Tehama Conservation Fund
C/O RCD of Tehama County
2 Sutter Street, Suite D
Red Bluff, CA 96080

Or

Brin@tehamacountyrcd.org

(530) 737-5181

SELECTION CRITERIA

Administrative Use Only. Applicant is not to complete this section. Scoring: 1 – low, 2 – medium, and 3 – high. Applications with the greatest score will be considered for the CFP opportunity.

Demonstrated Ability & Potential:	Score (1 – 3)	Notes
1. Is the farm/ranch visible to the public from a public road and/or easily accessible?		
2. Does the Producer have the potential to be an early innovator?		
3. Is the Producer established in the ag community and able to network with other ag groups?		
4. Is this Producer willing to engage with the general public and be a spokesperson for CFP?		
5. Is this Project likely to promote others in the area?		
6. Does the Producer understand the goals and significance of the CFP and carbon market potential?		
7. Is the Producer willing to be an engaged partner?		
8. Does this Project have a high likelihood of success?		

Carbon Sequestration Potential & Management:	Score (1 – 3)	Notes
9. Does the Project offer significant carbon sequestration potential? (20+ acres, or a higher per acre potential)		
10. Can this farm/ranch provide compost or other project resources?		
11. Does the farm/ranch offer a diversity of carbon beneficial practice opportunities?		
12. Is the Project contiguous with existing/potential high quality habitat or a wildlife corridor?		
13. Adjacent land use(s) does not threaten project objectives and long term potential benefits or CO2e permanence?		

Timing & Funding:	Score (1 – 3)	Notes
14. Is the project financially feasible with available resources?		
15. Does this Project have the potential to attract funding, if needed?		
16. Does the project represent a good value given the program objectives?		
17. Can the project be accomplished within the 2 year timeframe?		
18. Is a compost application site available for immediate implementation?		
Total Score		Maximum Score: 57