



## Agriculture and Markets

ANDREW M. CUOMO  
Governor

RICHARD A. BALL  
Commissioner

October 9, 2015

Dear Soil & Water Conservation District Directors and Staff:

RE: Request for Proposals for the Climate Resilient Farming Program Pilot Round

The Climate Resilient Farming Request for Proposals is now available on the NYS Grants Gateway [https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/IntelliGrants\\_NYSGG/login2.aspx](https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/IntelliGrants_NYSGG/login2.aspx). The application and required uploads can be used to apply for funds from the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF).

This new funding opportunity allows Districts to work with farmers on greenhouse gas mitigation and climate resiliency efforts in the areas of agricultural cover and flare systems, on-farm riparian, floodplain, and upland water management systems, and soil health systems. Funding is available for best management practices that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and carbon sequestration, and help agricultural producers prepare for and better manage impacts of climate change, including increased heavy storm events, overall rainfall, and periods of drought. Farmers will be able to proactively prevent the worst effects of drought and flood on their farms while also ensuring their stewardship of the environment. The program is grounded in the Agricultural Environmental Management framework, and Conservation Districts are encouraged to think creatively in their approach to reducing the impacts of these new environmental challenges.

**All applicable materials must be submitted through the NYS Grants Gateway by the deadline, December 14, 2015, for the application to be considered complete.**

The project application contains a blank for filling in the Project ID #. Enclosed is a list of Districts in the State in alphabetical order. Assigned to each District is the first part of the Project ID # (1-58). You can complete the remainder of the ID # on the application form by placing the priority number of each project you submit after the Project ID # which appears on the enclosed sheet. For example, the Project ID # for the #1 priority project in Niagara County would be 30-1.

If you need assistance or have questions about completing your application(s), contact the State Committee Office or the Grants Gateway at [grantsreform@budget.ny.gov](mailto:grantsreform@budget.ny.gov).

Sincerely,

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Richard Ball, Commissioner  
NYS Department of Agriculture &  
Markets

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Dale Stein, Chair  
NYS Soil & Water Conservation  
Committee

NYS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

County	Project ID #		County	Project ID #	
<b>Albany</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>Niagara</b>	<b>30</b>	
<b>Allegany</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>Oneida</b>	<b>31</b>	
<b>Broome</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>Onondaga</b>	<b>32</b>	
<b>Cattaraugus</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>Ontario</b>	<b>33</b>	
<b>Cayuga</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>Orange</b>	<b>34</b>	
<b>Chautauqua</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>Orleans</b>	<b>35</b>	
<b>Chemung</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>Oswego</b>	<b>36</b>	
<b>Chenango</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>Otsego</b>	<b>37</b>	
<b>Clinton</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>Putnam</b>	<b>38</b>	
<b>Columbia</b>	<b>10</b>		<b>Rensselaer</b>	<b>39</b>	
<b>Cortland</b>	<b>11</b>		<b>Rockland</b>	<b>40</b>	
<b>Delaware</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>St Lawrence</b>	<b>41</b>	
<b>Dutchess</b>	<b>13</b>		<b>Saratoga</b>	<b>42</b>	
<b>Erie</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>Schenectady</b>	<b>43</b>	
<b>Essex</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>Schoharie</b>	<b>44</b>	
<b>Franklin</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>Schuyler</b>	<b>45</b>	
<b>Fulton</b>	<b>17</b>		<b>Seneca</b>	<b>46</b>	
<b>Genesee</b>	<b>18</b>		<b>Steuben</b>	<b>47</b>	
<b>Greene</b>	<b>19</b>		<b>Suffolk</b>	<b>48</b>	
<b>Hamilton</b>	<b>20</b>		<b>Sullivan</b>	<b>49</b>	
<b>Herkimer</b>	<b>21</b>		<b>Tioga</b>	<b>50</b>	
<b>Jefferson</b>	<b>22</b>		<b>Tompkins</b>	<b>51</b>	
<b>Lewis</b>	<b>23</b>		<b>Ulster</b>	<b>52</b>	
<b>Livingston</b>	<b>24</b>		<b>Warren</b>	<b>53</b>	
<b>Madison</b>	<b>25</b>		<b>Washington</b>	<b>54</b>	
<b>Monroe</b>	<b>26</b>		<b>Wayne</b>	<b>55</b>	
<b>Montgomery</b>	<b>27</b>		<b>Westchester</b>	<b>56</b>	
<b>Nassau</b>	<b>28</b>		<b>Wyoming</b>	<b>57</b>	
<b>New York City</b>	<b>29</b>		<b>Yates</b>	<b>58</b>	