



Happy Holidays!

Hello to winter and the holiday season!



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Grant Opportunities! Zero Foodprint Restore Grant Opens January 15, 2025

Let's restore the climate together! Farmers and ranchers can receive up to \$25k to implement farm practices that sequester carbon. Applications will re-open in 2025.

Learn more here:
[Zero Foodprint Restore Grant](#)

Flood Recovery Resources

Heavy rainfall in early 2023 caused floodwater challenges for many of us in California's agriculture community. Following are relief and support resources available from state and federal partners:

[CDFA Flood Recovery Assistance](#)



Grant Opportunities! Valley Air Whole Orchard Recycling

Open while funding lasts!

The Ag Burn Alternatives Grant Program provides incentives to utilize an alternative practice for the disposition of agricultural material from orchard/vineyard removals as an alternative to open burning. In addition, the program provides incentives for the purchase of new agricultural wood-chipping equipment to chip orchard and vineyard removals located within the San Joaquin Valley. Complete applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis while funds are available.

For more information, click the following link: [Compost Orchard/Vineyard Recycling](#) — Please feel free to reach out with any questions or for technical assistance!



California Dairy Campaign

The California Dairy Campaign has an excellent page summarizing grant and loan opportunities, as well as other loss assistance. Check it out here:

[California Dairy Campaign](#)



Grant Opportunities: CDFW Wolf Livestock Compensation Grants

"CDFW is now accepting applications for direct livestock loss compensation (Prong 1) as part of the Wolf-Livestock Compensation Program. Eligible applicants can submit a completed Livestock Loss Application form, found on the Department's Wolf Livestock Compensation Grant's page. Eligible applicants include livestock producers who have had "confirmed" or "probable" wolf depredations after July 1, 2024, as determined through an official investigation and documented by CDFW on a Livestock Loss Determination Form.

Due to the limited funds available to support the Wolf Livestock Compensation Program, CDFW is prioritizing direct loss compensation, at this time, and is not seeking applications for non-lethal deterrents (Prong 2) or pay for presence (Prong 3).

Applications and questions may be sent to wolfcompensation@wildlife.ca.gov
-Tulare County FB

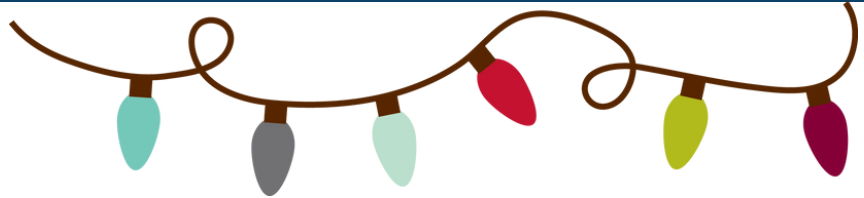


[Learn More Here:](#)
[CDFW Wolf Livestock](#)
[Compensation](#)
[Grants](#)



California Department of
Fish and Wildlife

News Updates: Prop 4 Passes in California



This means upcoming funding for multiple grant opportunities, including but not limited to:

- \$65 million for the Healthy Soils Program
- \$40 million for the State Water Efficiency & Enhancement Program (SWEEP)
- \$15 million for the California Farmland Conservancy Program
- \$200 million for the Multi-benefit Land Repurposing Program
- \$30 million for a new program to protect farmland and improve land access and tenure for beginning and historically underserved farmers
- \$20 million for projects to manage invasive species
- \$15 million for research farms at Agricultural Experiment Stations

[Learn More Details Here](#)

News Updates: Kern River Trial Against the City of Bakersfield is Officially Set

“Kern County Superior Court Judge Gregory Pulskamp has set the trial date for the operation of the Kern River for December 8th, 2025. The first hearing was held since Morrison Foerster joined a lawsuit against Bakersfield over its management of the Kern River. The lawsuit claims the city diverts too much water for agriculture, leaving the river dry, and demands a study of the environmental impacts”
-Kern County Farm Bureau

[Learn More Here](#)

News Updates: California Guidance on Bird Flu for Workers & Employers

"The California Department of Health has recently released a document that addresses the most common questions and concerns regarding the H5N1 bird flu in dairy, poultry, and worker safety.

The most significant aspect of this document is that there have been no reported deaths in human cases. The symptoms have remained mild, the most common being an eye infection, and zero hospitalizations." -Kern County FB

[Learn More Here](#)



Events this Month

Tailgate Talk

Join the Kern County Farm Bureau's upcoming Tailgate Talk for vital workplace insights and engaging discussions!

[Click here to register](#)

December 4th, 2024 at 11am

CSUB Student Union Multipurpose Room (9001 Stockdale Hwy)

World Ag Expo News

Orange Jacket Volunteers:

Donuts and Coffee provided!

Space Marking begins Dec 7 & 14

Start time: 8:00 am

Volunteer Meetings:

Tues, Jan 21 at 5 pm

Wed, Jan 22 at 12 pm

Thurs, Jan 23 at 5 pm

All meetings will be at Banquet Hall at the IAC grounds in Tulare

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