

BC FARM BUSINESS RECOVERY ADVISORY SERVICES PROGRAM



The B.C. Ministry of Agriculture has developed a new *Farm Business Recovery Advisory Services Program* for agricultural producers to assess the adverse effects of this year's wildfires on their current production and financial situation and help implement an immediate and long-term recovery plan.

The program will provide access to eligible farmers and ranchers living in areas where evacuation alerts or order were issued the 2017 to basic financial analysis, specialized business planning and coaching services. Full program support will provide up to \$5,000 for service from a qualified advisor.

Eligible activities include:

- Impact Assessment and Mitigation
- Financial Analysis, Business Strategy and Financial Managment
- Production Economics and Marketing Strategy
- Human Resources and Succession Planning

Eligible applicants:

- The applicant business was an active farming entity at the time of 2017 wildfire (i.e. participates in the day-today operations of the farm) and is a British Columbia resident that is over 19 years of age
- Currently have BC Assessment Authority farm status
- A farm operation with a minimum of \$10,000 in annual gross farm sales income as stated on applicants Canada Revenue Agency's income tax return
- Given the urgency of current conditions, livestock producers are being given priority in the application process.

For further information, please contact:

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