

# **Farm Energy Efficiency and Production Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy**

## **Project Description**

The Farm Energy Efficiency Program will provide incentives for Kentucky's farm families to increase energy efficiency and renewable energy production in the Commonwealth. This program leverages matching funding made available through Kentucky Agricultural Development Funds for these initiatives. The program will continue to increase producer awareness of the opportunities to improve energy efficiency and production of useable energy within their farming operations.

The Farm Energy Efficiency & Production Program will provide grants to Kentucky farmers to enhance energy efficiency and renewable energy projects in the state. The Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy (GOAP) will receive \$750,000 in funding from the Cabinet to provide up to \$7,500 per grant. In total Kentucky farms can receive as much as \$15,000 per project (\$7,500 through DEDI and another \$7,500 matching funds made available through the Kentucky Agriculture Development Fund). GOAP will solicit applications on a quarterly basis for qualified energy savings or renewable energy projects

## **Project Objectives**

- Provide funding for, at least, 100 energy efficiency and renewable energy projects in the state.
- Continue the message of how energy efficiency and renewable energy make sense for Kentucky's farming community.

## **Timeline**

April 2013	Receive first round of applications
May 2013	Score applications and award projects
June 2013- December 2015	Receive applications quarterly, score and award projects, gather information on project activities and anticipated energy savings