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Don't forget the details...

People not involved in your organization and/or project do not know your project like you do.

- 1) Explain the project in a clear manner, using all available information,
- 2) Answer the questions (who, what, where, when, why, how, so what),
- 3) Explain clearly what the overall project intends to achieve, and
- 4) Provide the level of detail necessary to show how you established your budget.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Begin by assessing that your organization and activities meet the eligibility criteria detailed in Section 1.1 and 1.3 of the African Swine Fever Industry Preparedness Program: Prevention and Preparedness Stream Applicant Guide.

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) will accept proposals on an ongoing basis until November 30, 2023 or until otherwise announced by the program, or until funding has been fully committed. Applicants who want to complete activities before March 31, 2023 should contact the program to discuss their application.

- 1. Complete the project application form by downloading and saving the form to your computer.
- 2. Use the step-by-step instructions below to help you complete your application form, including the project work plan and budget. For technical assistance submitting your application, or at any time during the application process, you can access the technical help file by clicking on the information icon located throughout the project application form.
- 3. See the Additional Documents section for a list of all additional required documents to ensure you have all the documentation needed to complete your application package.
- 4. Attach the documents to your form and submit.

If you experience any trouble submitting your application, please contact us by telephone at 1-877-246-4682.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

AAFC will use the information you provide in this section to establish your organization's identity.

Organization type

See Section 1.1 of the African Swine Fever Industry Preparedness Program: Prevention and Preparedness Stream Applicant Guide to determine if you are eligible to apply under this program.

Legal name

Your organization's legal name, as it appears in legal documents such as articles of incorporation, certificate of incorporation, etc..

Operating as (if used)

Enter the name under which your organization operates, if that name is different from its legal name.

Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) business number

A CRA business number is a nine-digit number that gives each registered business its own unique identifier. For more information on obtaining a CRA business number, visit the CRA business number web page.

If you do not have a CRA Business Number, or do not wish to share it at this time, enter 9 zero's (that is, 000000000).

Primary contact

Enter the contact information of the person in your organization who is responsible for responding to inquiries regarding this application.

Project contact

If your project is approved for funding, this is the person who will be liaising with AAFC during the project. This person can be the same as the Primary Contact.

Mailing address

Provide the complete mailing address of your organization's headquarters.

Primary project location

The location where the project will take place other than your organization's headquarters, if applicable.

If you have multiple project locations, the primary location is the one with activities associated to the largest portion of the budget.

Organizational Capacity

AAFC will use the information you provide in this section to understand more about your organization and to assess your ability to carry out this project.

How many employees work for your organization?

Include the number of all full-time and part-time employees on your organization's payroll. Do not include contractors.

Describe your organization

Provide your organization's mandate and priorities. Include a brief history of the organization including any significant changes in the past two years (for example, a significant increase/decrease of staff, changes to executive leadership, including the Board of Directors, a change in mandate, etc.).

Does the mandate of your organization focus on any of the following groups?

These questions are for statistical purposes only, and will not affect the outcome of your assessment.

Indigenous

Individuals who are:

registered on a band list

registered as an Indian under the Indian Act living

both on or off reserves

Métis Inuit

or, Indigenous communities and governments such

as:

band and tribal councils

governments of self-governing First Nations local governments of Inuit communities

Métis organizations

Persons with disabilities

The *Employment Equity Act* defines persons with disabilities as persons who have a long-term or recurring physical, mental, sensory, psychiatric or learning impairment and who:

- (a) consider themselves to be disadvantaged in employment by reason of that impairment
- (b) believe that an employer or potential employer is likely to consider them to be disadvantaged in employment by reason of that impairment.

Includes persons whose functional limitations owing to their impairment have been accommodated in their

current job or workplace.

Visible minorities The Employment Equity Act defines visible minorities

as persons, other than Aboriginal peoples, who are

non-Caucasian in race or non-white in colour.

Women Individuals who are born female or who identify as

female.

Youth Individuals aged 30 and under.

2SLGBTQI+ Lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, two-spirit and

others. The symbol "+" represents the wide spectrum of gender identities, sexual orientations and romantic

orientations not explicitly named.1

Not Applicable Use this selection if the mandate of your organization

doesn't focus on any of the above-listed groups.

Decline to identifyUse this selection if the mandate of your organization

might focus on one of the above groups, but you don't want to disclose that information at the time of your

application.

Is your company/organization majority owned (50% or more) by one or more of the following groups?

Definitions are the same as those listed above in the previous question.

Previous funding

Please identify if you or your organization has previously received funding from AAFC. If yes, list the program(s) from which you've received funding and describe the past project(s), including the timeline(s) and result(s).

Capacity to deliver this project

This long-form answer should answer the following questions:

- How difficult or complex is the project? How will its related activities be achieved and monitored?
- Has your organization managed projects on a similar scale to this project?

¹ https://www.noslangues-ourlanguages.gc.ca/en/publications/equite-diversite-inclusion-equity-diversity-inclusion-eng

- What management controls, human resources and technical capacity do you have to ensure this proposed project will be successful?
- How will you ensure that you report regularly and accurately on the progress of the project against your work plan and budget forecasts?
- What financial controls will you have in place to ensure proper financial management of the project?
- How will you ensure that expenses submitted to AAFC are accurate and can be properly assessed to determine eligibility?

PROJECT INFORMATION

AAFC will use the information in this section, in association with your project work plan and budget, to do a full assessment of your project.

Project title

Provide a short, descriptive project title that accurately reflects the activities and results of the project.

Project objective

Provide a concise summary of your project objective.

How would you briefly describe your project in an "elevator pitch" or on social media? This area should be completed once the proposal has been fully developed so that it can include a summary of the action items and desired outcomes.

The project objective is the "what" of the project. What will be accomplished through this project and what will your organization be asked to report against once the project is completed.

In this section, in a concise manner, please describe the objective of the project you are proposing, summarize the actions that will be undertaken to complete the project and describe the outcome.

Note: if your project is chosen for funding, this summary may be published on Government of Canada websites.

Project purpose

The project purpose is the "why" and the "how" of the "what" that was outlined in the previous section. This is where you identify the industry needs or gaps your

organization is trying to fill by taking on this proposed project (why) as well as how you are going to achieve this.

Include an overview that will lead into the work plan section detailing the actual activities in the next section of the application. Finally, link your project to the program objective(s) which can be found in section 1.0 of the African Swine Fever Industry Preparedness Program: Prevention and Preparedness Stream Applicant Guide.

Your answer to this long-form question should address:

- Does your project fall within the scope of the program to pursue activities to enhance the industry's capacity to prevent ASF, prepare for its entry into Canada and mitigate its impacts in case of an outbreak?
- How does this project align with the eligible activities described in Section 1.3 of the Applicant Guide?
- How do you plan to achieve the objectives of this project?
- What is your long-term objective and how will undertaking this project contribute to achieving it?
- Does your project fill a gap or need important to the industry and Canada?
- What are the potential outcomes and how will they help prepare for or mitigate an ASF outbreak?
- What could be the short and long term impacts on the industry if this project is not pursued?

Applications must demonstrate how the proposed project will address the industry/sector need, as well as provide clearly defined performance measures and targets.

Project Team Description

This section is your opportunity to demonstrate your organization's capacity to deliver the project, taking into consideration your resources and timelines. Please describe the various working groups, committees and project teams associated with the project, including the following:

- their responsibilities and tasks
- how they are accountable to the organization

Environmental considerations

AAFC must comply with the <u>Impact Assessment Act (IAA)</u>. If a proposal is in relation to a "project" on federal land, then the IAA might apply. To help AAFC make this determination, answer these questions to the best of your ability. AAFC staff will follow-up during the application assessment, as required.

Under the IAA, a "project" is a physical activity (for example, construction, operation, installation, maintenance, decommissioning, demolition) carried out in relation to a human-made structure with a fixed location (physical work). Examples of projects include: building construction or demolition, excavation of a pond, installation of a permanent irrigation system, decommissioning of tile drainage operations, or any other activity related to a permanent human-made work. Proposals that are NOT projects include: administrative or marketing activities, workshops, training or hiring staff; installation of temporary or portable systems, or any other activity not related to a physical work.

Under the IAA, **federal lands** means:

- a) lands that belong to His Majesty in right of Canada, or that His Majesty in right of Canada has the power to dispose of, and all waters on and airspace above those lands, other than lands under the administration and control of the Commissioner of Yukon, the Northwest Territories or Nunavut;
- b) the following lands and areas:
 - i. the internal waters of Canada, in any area of the sea not within a province
 - ii. the territorial sea of Canada, in any area of the sea not within a province
 - iii. the exclusive economic zone of Canada, and
 - iv. the continental shelf of Canada; and
- c) reserves, surrendered lands and any other lands that are set apart for the use and benefit of a band and that are subject to the *Indian Act*, and all waters on and airspace above those reserves or lands.

Question A asks if the proposal relates to a "project"? Use the description above to answer.

Question B asks if the proposal is on federal land?

If the answer is 'Federal' you are also asked to provide:

- 1. a brief description of land type (for example: crown land, or reserve land); and
- 2. the legal land description (for example: GPS coordinates), ownership parcel, reserve name, or other applicable address of the physical location of where the project is taking place.

If you are unsure about the answers to A or B, AAFC can provide assistance.

If the answer to question A is "YES" and the answer to question B is "Federal", this implies the proposal is related to a "project" and is taking place on federal land, further

assessment is likely required by AAFC under the IAA. AAFC will get in touch when necessary.

If the following answers are provided, it is likely the proposal does not require further assessment:

- the proposal is not related to a "project"
- the proposal is related to a "project", but is not taking place on federal land

No matter the responses to questions A and B, this section also asks you to indicate acknowledgment of your responsibility to ensure that you are in compliance with all local, provincial/territorial and federal environmental laws and regulations. This includes obtaining any permits, or approvals before any project construction begins. You acknowledge that this project is not in contravention of any local, provincial/territorial and/or federal environmental laws or regulations.

Project data collection

AAFC is committed to the fair and transparent distribution of program funds. We will be using the following questions for reporting purposes only; answers will not directly affect the outcome of your project's assessment.

North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)

NAICS is an industry classification system developed by the statistical agencies of Canada, Mexico and the United States.

For more information, visit <u>North American Industry Classification System</u> on the Statistics Canada website.

AAFC has selected the NAICS identifiers that best suit this program for reporting purposes. To simplify the selection process, we have sorted the codes into the following 3 categories that we created:

- agricultural production
- food and beverage manufacturing
- other

We recognize that not all projects will fit perfectly into one identifier. If this is the case for your project, select the identifier that best defines the overall intent of your project, or the identifier that best defines the activity with the highest dollar value.

Select any of the following groups who will directly benefit from the intent of this project's activities

Definitions are the same as those listed above in the Applicant Information section.

Official languages

AAFC is committed to enhancing the vitality of official language minority communities (OLMCs), supporting and assisting their development, and promoting the full recognition and use of both English and French in Canadian society.

If approved, would your project activities reach an audience of BOTH Englishspeaking and French-speaking individuals or groups?

OLMCs consist of Francophones outside Quebec and Anglophones in Quebec. These communities are often represented by provincial and regional organizations.

If approved, would your project activities specifically target an official language minority community (French-speaking people outside Quebec or English-speaking people in Quebec)?

When it is determined that projects under this program involve activities related to the development and transfer of knowledge and may have an impact on OLMCs or promote the use of English and French, AAFC will include appropriate linguistic commitments in agreements with your organization and ensure that additional expenses incurred as a result of these commitments are considered eligible for contribution funding. Activities can include, but are not limited to:

Communications

- Project web pages and/or project social media account(s) produced and maintained in both official languages
- Project materials offered in both official languages (brochures, kits, handouts, newsletters, reports, etc.)
- Directional and educational signs produced in both official languages
- Project-related advertisement in OLMC media (newspapers, radio, social media)
- Bilingual coordinator or other contractor hired to help deliver project-related activities in both official languages (for example, master of ceremony for a project event, workshop facilitator or simultaneous translator)
- Distribution of invitations in both official languages
- Knowledge transfer activities as listed in the applicant guide.

Outreach

- One or more OLMCs are included in the project target groups (for example, as in-kind or cash partners in project budget or to be invited to project events)
- Other groups representing OLMCs are consulted to see if there is any potential for involvement on their end
- Travel to or from OLMCs (costs associated with these project activities included in project budget)

If funded, your organization may be required to publicly acknowledge AAFC's support for the project. In these cases, AAFC may request that such acknowledgments include text in both official languages.

Attachments

In addition to the application form, other documents are required as part of a complete application package. The application form includes a checklist in the Project Information tab to track required documentation. Your application cannot be considered until the documentation listed in the Additional Documentation section is attached to this form or submitted directly to AAFC. An incomplete package will not be processed until all documents are received. Further details on required attachments are included in the Additional Documents section.

WORK PLAN

The work plan is an important part of the application form for evaluation purposes. In the work plan, you should include key milestones and a detailed description of each activity.

Each activity must be clearly defined and articulated in each section of the application.

The work plan will be assessed to determine if activities have been clearly planned and described, and if they are aligned with the project's goals, objectives and purpose.

Project application form - work plan instructions

At the top of the work plan tab, enter the start date for the project (first day that work on the first activity will take place) and the end date for the project (the last day that work on the last activity will take place). The fiscal year begins April 1 and concludes March 31.

Activities

To add an activity, press the **+** symbol. To delete an activity, press the **x** symbol.

Name

Provide a short name for the activity that clearly indicates what it is. Activities and/or cost item names should point to what the activity or cost item is meant to accomplish.

Start Date

Enter the date that the individual activity will start.

End Date

Enter the date that the individual activity will finish.

Description

Provide a description of the activity, which clearly outlines the activity that you would like to undertake. Your goal is to help the reviewers visualize what you want to do, so be specific. Keep in mind to answer the following questions (who, what, where, when, why, and how).

Here are some things to include in your description.

- Where and when will the activity take place?
- How long will it take to complete?
- What methods will you use to deliver the activity?
- What difference will the activity make?
- Who will benefit? (i.e. describe the activity participants)
- What makes the activity worth funding?

Your description should also provide assurances that your activity:

- makes sense,
- is likely to be successful and will make a difference.

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

This section collects information on how you intend to measure performance and report on results that relate directly to your project. You will be asked to indicate your response to the following:

- 1. How many preparedness actions will be taken (e.g., tools and strategies developed) as part of this project to adapt to changing circumstances and respond to urgent or critical issues?
- How many of these actions (e.g. tools and strategies developed) are expected to benefit underrepresented groups (i.e. Indigenous Peoples, Persons with Disabilities, Visible Minorities, Women, Youth, 2SLGBTQI+)?

- 3. How many preparedness actions (e.g. tools and strategies developed) are expected to be implemented by the sector at the end of this project to effectively mitigate an African swine fever outbreak?
- 4. How many of the preparedness actions (e.g. tools and strategies developed) that benefit underrepresented groups (i.e. Indigenous Peoples, Persons with Disabilities, Visible Minorities, Women, Youth, 2SLGBTQI+) are expected to be implemented by the sector at the end of this project to effectively mitigate an African swine fever outbreak?

Note that for the purposes of this application, a tool or strategy developed is defined as a plan of action or a means to an end that can be directly implemented by industry to assist in the mitigation of an ASF outbreak. Examples include but are not limited to biosecurity protocols, communication plans, emergency management plans, etc.

PROJECT COSTS

After selecting the Project Costs tab, activities entered in the work plan will be visible.

Activity name

The name of the activity that is visible is the name of the activity that was entered in the work plan and has been carried over to this tab. To view the areas to input, click on the Details button.

At any time, you can see all of the information you have entered for all of the activities by selecting the [Show all details] button. Similarly, to see only a list of cost items, select the [Hide all details] button.

Start date

The activity start date (the date that the individual activity will start) will be carried over from the work plan.

End date

The activity end date (the date that the individual activity will finish) will be carried over from the work plan.

Name of cost item

Provide a name for the cost item that clearly indicates what it is.

Depending on the complexity of your application, this could be viewed as your "sub-activity".

If there is more than one cost category, or more than one cost item within each cost category, you would replicate the name of the cost item for each of the cost category entries under the "sub-activity" so that reviewers are able to determine the cost breakdown of each sub-activity.

For example, if your activity was "**Develop new information, tools, resources, publications**", this is where you would individually identify:

- the specific information pieces, tools, resources and publications that are going to be developed (what)
- what they would be used for (where)
- (when) they will be used
- what the intended result will be (why)

Use unique cost item names and descriptions so they are different than the cost category name.

For example, if you are asking for funding for travel, specify the types of flights and destinations (for example, two economy flights Edmonton – Ottawa, return).

Description

In this field, describe the cost item in more detail. The description should give a breakdown of how the number was budgeted. This will allow reviewers to determine what the individual cost components are, and determine the reasonableness of the proposed budget. For example, "airfare," is insufficient; the description should be more detailed, such as, "Roundtrip airfare from Toronto to London for the Great Food Trade Show \$800 x 2 people."

Each cost must clearly outline how the value was calculated.

Explain how your project costs are estimated. This can be done by providing who, what, where, when, why, how and for how long.

This could be illustrated as

- "two economy flights Edmonton Ottawa, return" and on a separate line,
- "meals and accommodations for two people for four days (Aug 20-23)".

Cost category

From the drop-down list, select the cost category (as described below) for each particular budget item:

- salaries and benefits.
- contracted services.

- travel,
- capital expenditures,
- other direct project costs.

Eligible Cost Items

Any costs incurred before August 26, 2022 or after March 31, 2024 are ineligible for reimbursement, nor will they be considered as part of an applicant's cost-share.

AAFC may allow eligible costs to be incurred starting from the ministerial announcement date of August 26, 2022, but prior to the signing of a Contribution Agreement if the Minister deems this necessary for the achievement of objectives under the project and if such costs are reasonable, incremental and required to carry out the eligible activities to which they relate. It is very important that you understand that in these cases, costs cannot be reimbursed until a signed Contribution Agreement between your organization and AAFC is in place, therefore these incurred costs are done solely at your risk without obligation of payment by AAFC.

The date of the receipt of a complete application or the proposed start date of the project would be the "effective date."

You should not consider an application as submitted to the program until you receive the acknowledgement notice.

The following tables demonstrate the eligible costs under this program and any limitations or instructions you need to know to help you complete your budget.

Administrative Costs				
Eligible Cost Items	Limitations/Instructions			
Administrative costs: Organizations'	Administrative fees will be calculated at			
expenses (i.e., fundamental operational	a 10% flat rate that will be cost-shared at			
costs); not directly related to undertaking	the rate listed in the Applicant Guide.			
the project activities but necessary for the				
organization to manage activities outlined	Do not include administration costs in			
in the work plan and to administer the	your application; the application form will			
reporting requirements of the	calculate it automatically at a 10% flat			
Contribution Agreement, including project	rate. This flat rate has been developed to			
management costs.	represent the cost of undertaking the			
	administration functions of the			
These costs cannot be charged under	contribution agreement. Capital			
salaries and benefits or other direct	Expenditures over \$100,000 are			
project costs. The following list identifies	excluded from this calculation.			
costs that would be covered in the flat				
rate:	To ease administrative burden, these			
project management costs:	costs do not need to be detailed at the			
management and administrative staff	time of application and will not be			

wages not working on outcome of projects, including those who negotiate service contracts, pay the invoices, manage the project budget, monitoring and/or prepare the claims and any financial or progress/performance reports for the project

- salaries, Mandatory Employment Related Costs (MERCs), and benefits and/or contract services
- administrative office supplies and expenses:
 - basic telephone fees (including fax lines) and cell phones;
 - hydro
 - materials and office supplies (for example, pens, pencils, paper, envelopes, cleaning supplies, subscriptions);
 - monthly internet fees;
 - postage and courier fees;
 - office equipment (for example, computers, printers, photocopiers)
 - office space (rent) and related utilities, maintenance and property taxes;
- audit fees (if eligible);
- bank fees (if eligible);
- insurance (fire, theft, liability) (if eligible);
- legal fees (if eligible);
- administrative information technology (IT) products and services, including maintenance.
- other overhead type expenditures relating to the organization's office.

negotiated or need to be validated when submitting a claim.

You may also choose to not claim administrative costs, and opt out of the flat rate.

NOTE: You are still required to keep all documentation of these costs. If you are subject to an audit, you will need to supply the supporting documents at that time.

Salaries and Benefits

Eligible Cost Items

Salaries and benefits paid to or on behalf of staff to execute activities outlined in the project workplan. These costs do not include completing financial or performance reports for the project.

Limitations/Instructions

- Salaries and benefits must be additional to existing costs.
- Costs must be substantiated through supporting documentation, such as timesheets.

Includes Mandatory Employment Related Costs (MERCs), Employment Insurance (EI), Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Quebec Pension Plan (QPP), vacation pay and benefits*.

*Benefits mean payments an employer is required to make by virtue of company policy or a collective agreement such as contributions to a group pension plan.

- salary and benefit costs do not include incentive amounts such as performance pay (for example, bonuses), or benefits that are considered perks, such as a gym membership or parking allowance.
- Severances are not eligible.
- Benefit costs must not exceed 25% of the eligible salary costs for each employee who works on the project.
- These costs do not include those salary costs incurred for employees completing administrative financial or performance reports for the project. Those costs are included as part of administration.

Contracted Services

Eligible Cost Items

Professional or specialized services for which a contract is entered into, such as:

- inspection
- project management to undertake activities
- consultant/expert services
- installation/construction
- financial auditing (required for the project)
- environmental assessment
- research

Limitations/Instructions

- A contract should be in place with the contractor, including payment terms and deliverables.
- Recipients must use a fair and competitive or otherwise justifiable and generally accepted sound business process that results in competent and qualified contractors working on the project.

Travel

Eligible Cost Items

Travel costs directly related to the project, such as:

- per diems (meals, incidentals and taxis)
- accommodations
- transportation, such as airfare
- hospitality (where eligible)

Limitations/Instructions

- When travel is approved, claimants have an option to claim for these expenses using one of the following options:
 - a. claim the applicable per diem amount listed below, or
 - b. claim actual travel costs **up to** the maximum daily amount listed below.

Whether using option (A) or (B), invoices for daily travel costs will not be required, however, proof of travel is required for

the claim (ex. boarding pass, hotel invoice, trip report). Recipients must also keep all invoices and proof of payment per the terms of their Agreement.

- The per diems will contribute to covering the costs for daily accommodation; meals; local or incity transportation at the destination (buses, taxis, vehicle rentals, etc.); ground transportation, including parking, to and from the public carrier terminal; entry documents, including passports and visas; insurance (all types); and required inoculations, vaccinations, X-rays and certificates of health; dependent care; and incidentals (personal phone calls, laundry, gratuities, currency exchange fees, etc.) for individual travel.
- If using option (a), per diems can be claimed for every day on travel status as follows:
 - i. travel within Canada:
 - day trip outside of the travellers's headquarters with no overnight stay: \$100 CAD/day
 - domestic trip outside of the traveller's headquarters with an overnight stay: \$400 CAD/day
 - ii. travel outside Canada:
 - international day trip outside of traveller's headquarters with no overnight stay: \$125 CAD/day
 - any US trip outside of traveller's headquarters with

an overnight stay: \$475 CAD/day
- any International trip ((not including US) outside of traveller's headquarters with an overnight stay: \$575 CAD/day

- The recipient may claim cost for air, rail and ground transportation (to an out-of-city destination i.e. more than 50km (100km roundtrip) outside of the city) for individual travel as follows:
 - a. air: Economy Class for domestic travel. Economy or Premium Economy Class for international travel. Bookings should be made during the effective dates of the Contribution Agreement, as outlined in the Details on eligible cost items section above. Baggage costs, seat selection fees and reservation change fees are eligible. If first class or business class is chosen, only the applicable economy or premium economy class fares for the same itinerary is eligible, therefore proof of eligible costs must be provided. If purchasing a prepaid package of electronic one-way flight credits used for travel within a selected geographic zone during a specific period (a flight pass), the pro-rated amount for one trip may be claimed as long as it is cheaper or equivalent to the economy rate for same itinerary and proof of the economy rate will need to be provided.

- b. rail: next highest class after the full Economy Class.
- c. private vehicle: kilometric rates (\$0.575/km) or the kilometric/ mileage rates set out by the National Joint Council for Canada, U.S.A and outside Canada and the U.S.A, as well as costs for tolls and parking at the destination. Gas is included in the kilometric rate. Travellers shall use the most direct, safe and practical road routes and shall claim only for distances necessarily driven while on Travel Status.
- d. rental vehicle: the cost for an intermediate vehicle (or the cost of a larger vehicle, based upon factors such as, but not limited to, safety, the needs of the traveller, and the bulk or weight of goods transported), gas, parking and tolls, and Collision Damage Waiver. Fuel service charge provided by car rental company is not eligible. A Bus/Motor Coach may be eligible based upon factors such as, the needs of the traveller(s), and the bulk or weight of goods transported.

Capital Expenditures

Eligible Cost Items

Capital Assets are tangible assets that are purchased, constructed, developed or otherwise acquired and:

- are used in the production or supply of goods, the delivery of services or to produce program outputs
- are not intended for resale in the ordinary course of operations
- may also include betterments (which are described as being expenditures relating to the alteration or

Limitations/Instructions

- Capital costs are limited to:
 - centralized purchases of slaughter and disposal equipment
- Capital costs over \$10,000 need to be pre-approved
- Where several related assets are required, the cumulative cost of these assets should be considered as one and require pre-approval if over \$10,000

- modernization of an asset that appreciably prolong the period of usefulness of the item or improve its functionality)
- the cost of which is considered to include the purchase price plus other acquisition costs, such as installation costs, freight charges, transportation insurance costs, duties, and the nonrefundable portion of provincial sales taxes, GST/HST or other value-added taxes
- has a useful life in excess of one year and a per item cost greater than \$10.000

- The purchase of land or buildings is an ineligible cost
- Minor assets and capital items not specifically required for the execution of a project are ineligible

NOTE: All construction costs should be attributed to Capital Expenditures rather than dividing them among other Cost Categories (for example, Contracted Services for installation and Other Direct Project Costs for materials).

Other Direct Project Costs				
Eligible Cost Items	Limitations/Instructions			
Other costs for project-related deliverables, such as:	 Gifts, prizes and giveaways are ineligible Normal costs of establishing a commercial operation are ineligible 			
costs related to production of materials/documents/communication plans				

SOURCES OF FUNDING

Please see section 1.2 of the Applicant Guide for information on cost-sharing, sources of funding, and government funding stacking limits.

This is where you will indicate how you plan on funding your share of the project.

Under the Sources for funding tab, enter your share of the cash and in-kind funding which will come from:

- applicant directly (your organization)
- other federal government departments, agencies, and crown corporations
- provincial/territorial government departments, agencies and crown corporations
- municipal governments
- industry/partners (your members, industry partners, sponsors, etc.)

Within each funding type, provide the name of the funding source. To add another

funding source to the selected funding type, click the **+** symbol. You can add as many funding sources as you need. To delete a funding source, click the **x** symbol, all information for that funding source will be deleted.

In the description box, provide the necessary level of detail to indicate what activity and/or cost the specific funding is tied to.

BUDGET SUMMARY

The Budget Summary tab auto-calculates all the financial information you entered in the Project Costs and Sources of Funding tabs and provides an ongoing high-level overview of your project's budget.

This is where you will see that the administration costs have been added to the overall budget. With the exclusion of Capital Assests over \$100,000, the administration costs are automatically calculated at a flat rate of 10% based on the total activity costs in the budget.

DECLARATIONS

Unpaid debts to the Government of Canada

The recipient of AAFC funds must declare any amounts owing to the Government of Canada. Any amounts due to the recipient under AAFC programs may be set off against any such amounts owing to the Government of Canada under any agreement or any legislation with the Government of Canada.

Lobbying activities

The applicant must ensure that a person lobbying on behalf of the applicant is registered and in compliance with the *Lobbying Act*.

More information on the obligations in the *Lobbying Act* can be found on the website of the <u>Office of the Commissioner of Lobbying of Canada.</u>

Conflict of Interest

Current or former public servants or public office holders are required to avoid conflict of interest situations while employed by the federal government, and for a period of time following their service. The Applicant acknowledges that any individuals who are subject to the provisions of the Conflict of Interest Act, the Values and Ethics Code for the Public Sector, the Conflict of Interest Code for Members of the House of Commons, any applicable federal values and ethics code or any applicable federal policy on conflict of interest and post-employment shall not derive any direct benefit resulting from this

application unless the provision or receipt of such benefit is permitted in such legislation, policy or codes.

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For information about the *Privacy Act* and the *Access to Information Act*, visit <u>Privacy Act</u> and <u>Access to Information Act</u>. For further information about these Acts please contact the Access to Information and Privacy Director at aafc.atip-aiprp.aac@agr.gc.ca.

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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

In addition to the application form, the following documents are required as part of a complete application package. Use the attachment checklist in the Project Information tab to track required documentation.

Your application cannot be considered until the documentation is attached to this form or submitted directly to AAFC. An incomplete package will not be processed until all documents are received.

Document name	Description
A copy of the applicant organization's Certificate of Incorporation or Articles of Incorporation	Certificates and Articles of Incorporation are issued and filed, respectively, by or with provincial, territorial or federal government that document the applicant's

	status as a legal entity. Additional options for Indigenous applicants: a copy of a Band Council Resolution (BCR), a Tribal Council Resolution (TCR), a Director's Resolution (DR), or legal document stating they are a legal entity can be accepted as proof the applicant is a legal entity.
Financial statements	Statements for the last two years.Most recent interim financial statement.
Project endorsement letters/ letters of support (if available, not a requirement)	Letters of support from organizations indicating they believe there is a need for the proposed project and expressing hope that the proposed project will be accepted.
Capital Asset Pre-approval (if applicable)	All capital asset purchases over \$10,000 must be pre-approved by the program using the AAFC Capital Asset preapproval template.
Project Risk Mitigation Plan	Analysis of project-related risks, their potential impact and associated mitigation actions.

Below is an example of a Project Risk Mitigation Plan to assist you in completing this attachment:



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PROJECT RISK MITIGATION PLAN

PROJECT OWNERSHIP				
ORGANIZATION NAME National I	GANIZATION NAME National Industry Association			
PROJECT NAME Industry Preparedness for ASF Outbreak				
PROJECT MANAGER NAME Jane Doe				
RISK ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION				
Complete the following for each IDENTIFIED RISK.				
RISK DESCRIPTION	RISK LEVEL	POTENTIAL IMPACT	EVENT OR THREAT TRIGGERS	
This project includes an activity that seeks to improve biosecurity	Low	High	Lack of industry awareness of or	+

measures. There is a risk that the			compliance with the
industry does not adopt these			improved biosecurity
improved measures in a timely			measures.
manner.			
There is a risk that an outbreak of	Low	High	Introduction of the
ASF occurs in North America before	LOW	riigii	disease in North America.
the project activities have been			
completed.			
	RISK MITIG		
Complet	e the following for e LEVEL (low, me	each IDENTIFIED RIShedium, high).	<
			+
IDENTIFIED RISK		MITIGATION ACTION: P	REVENTATIVE or CONTINGENCY?
Lack of industry adoption of the impr	oved biosecurity	Preventative	
measures.	oved bloocodility	1 TOVOITALIVO	
BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS			
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Additional funds may be required in	order to boost ind	ustry awareness of t	he improved hipsecurity
measures and/or to help them imple			
PROPOSED MITIGATION ACTION	mont the measure	so in a onortonica tim	ionamo.
THE GOLD WITHOUT HOLD TO			
An industry communication and enga	agement nlan has	: heen develoned as	nart of this application to
ensure that the sector is kept up to d			
developed as part of this project, inc			
STAKEHOLDERS RESPONSIBLE	during the improv	ou blocoounty mous	
OTAKEHOEDEKO KESI SINSIBEE			
The project team is responsible for to	aking the proventi	ivo moosuros while h	og producers and processors
The project team is responsible for taking the preventive measures while hog producers and processors will be actively involved in the timely adoption of the biosecurity practices.			
IDENTIFIED RISK MITIGATION ACTION: PREVENTATIVE or CONTINGENCY			
		MITIGATION ACTION: P	REVENTATIVE or CONTINGENCY?
There is an outbreak of ASE in North	Amorica hoforo		
There is an outbreak of ASF in North America before the project activities have been completed.			
BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS			
BODGETART IMPERCATIONS			
Additional funding may be required t	a accolorate the c	completion of activitie	as However some
preparedness activities may no longer be relevant so it is possible funds could be shifted to compensate accordingly.			
PROPOSED MITIGATION ACTION			
FROFOSED WITIGATION ACTION			
Since proporedness for an ASE outh	rook is a prossing	r icauc this project h	as been planned within a
Since preparedness for an ASF outbreak is a pressing issue, this project has been planned within a tight timeframe so that the necessary tools can be developed and implemented as quickly as possible.			
However, in the event of an outbreak, project activities will be re-assessed and re-prioritized to focus on			
what will be most effective in responding to the specific circumstances. The consultant who will be			
assisting with this project has confirmed that they have additional employees who could be redeployed			
to assist in more rapid completion of the project activities if the need arises.			
to desire in more rapid completion of the project detivities in the field anses.			
STAKEHOLDERS RESPONSIBLE			
The project team is responsible for putting the contingency plan in place.			
RISK SUMMARY			
	PROJECT OVERAL	LL RISK LEVEL	

RISK LEVEL	RATIONALE
Low	The overall project is rated as low risk because all of the identified risks were assessed at a low risk level.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF NOT UNDERTAKING THE PROJECT?

If this project is not undertaken, the industry will not be as prepared as it could be in the event of an ASF outbreak. As a result, the effects of such an outbreak are likely to be longer-lasting than they may otherwise be with greater negative impacts on the financial viability and market access of the sector. Public trust may also be impacted as it could create a perception that industry is not doing enough to prepare for and respond to a possible outbreak in a humane manner.

SUBMIT

Once you have completed your application form and all the additional documents, please submit your project application with all required documents attached.

Attach ALL required documentation to the PDF application form by using the



The representative who submits the form must be duly authorized to submit the Project Application Form on the Applicant's behalf.



For technical assistance submitting your application, or at any time during the application process, you can access the technical help file by clicking on the information icon located throughout the project application form.

For more information on the Prevention and Preparedness Stream, please contact us by:

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