

Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership

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Evaluation matrix

for the Yukon

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Evaluation of applications:

- Either a project manager or a project evaluation committee evaluates and approves applications for funding.
- In evaluating the applications, the evaluators will:
 - ensure that applications meet the Sustainable CAP policy and objectives;
 - consider project impacts along with benefits and risks to the industry and the public;
 - consider other factors such as funding allocations and availability, timing of application submission and external factors like for example the COVID-19 pandemic or climate change events;
 - If a project evaluation committee is struck, its members will provide an industry perspective when evaluating an application; and
 - ensure fairness and competitiveness as part of the evaluation process.
- The evaluation matrix outlines the criteria that evaluators use to assess and score applications.
- An application can score a maximum of 150 points.
- The funding offered to successful applicants is calculated based on the evaluation score received.

Score out of 150 (%)	Maximum funding level (for eligible components)
120 or higher (80-100%)	up to 60% of project costs*
105 to 120 (70-80%)	up to 40 to 50% of project costs*
90 to 105 (60-70%)	up to 30 to 40% of project costs*
Less than 90 (< 60%)	No funding offered
* Non-profit organizations and governments are eligible for up to 100% in funding.	

**** Note:** When an application gets a checkmark in the “not applicable” (N/A) column of the evaluation matrix, the final scoring will be calculated as a percentage.

For example: Some projects may not require industry and community support and would get a checkmark under the “not applicable” column. This means the application’s final score would be out of 140 instead of 150.

For more information on the evaluation process, see [Yukon.ca/SustainableCAP](https://www.yukon.ca/SustainableCAP)

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Scoring metrics	Low Risk (10 points)	Moderate Risk (5 points)	High Risk (0 points)	N/A**
Project timeline	Short term (< 6 months)	Medium term (6 months to 2 years)	Long term (> 2 years)	
Requested funding	Less than \$10,000	\$10,000 to \$25,000	More than \$25,000	
Project barriers	No barriers identified. Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permits are not required • Financing is not required • Land/building is owned by applicant • Equipment readily available • No known restrictions • Broad market, easily accessible 	Some/minor barriers. Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required permits have been obtained • Financing has been secured • Minor delay in acquiring equipment • Some possible restrictions (travel, customs, etc.) • Some market uncertainty 	Several/serious barriers. Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permits required • Financing required • Environmental Assessment required • Land/building is leased • Regulatory restrictions • Limited market potential 	
Applicant qualifications (general and project specific)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 5 years related experience • Well established operation • Formal training in project area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 to 5 years related experience • Operating successfully with products on the market 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 2 years' experience • New operation with limited or no products on the market 	
Prior funding history/success	Completed prior projects successfully	Some issues with prior projects	No prior projects or significant issues with prior projects	
Project technical feasibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited complexity • Achievable work plan • Realistic schedule 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some complexity; or • tight work plan; or • tight schedule 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complex project • Difficult timelines 	
Industry impact/competition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pioneer, no existing competition; or • No competition with established businesses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential for competition with established businesses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could negatively impact established businesses 	

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Benefit to local agriculture industry	High benefit, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven utilization of locally grown products • Opening of new markets • Mitigation of negative impact on livestock, wildlife and/or the environment • Improved biosecurity or food safety 	Indirect or limited benefit, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilization of some local products • Increased market opportunities • Some environmental or food safety risk mitigation 	No direct or indirect benefit to local agriculture industry, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No utilization of local products • No new market opportunities • No environmental or food safety risk mitigation 	
Public benefit	Strong public benefit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant increase in availability and choice of local agricultural products • Increased affordability of local agricultural products 	Indirect or limited public benefit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some increase in availability, choice and/or affordability of local agricultural products 	No public benefit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No significant increase in availability, choice or affordability of local agricultural products 	
Direct benefits to under-represented groups	Project will directly benefit Indigenous Peoples, women, youth or other underrepresented groups (persons with disabilities, visible minorities, 2SLGBTQI+)	Project will provide some benefit to Indigenous Peoples, women, youth or other underrepresented groups (persons with disabilities, visible minorities, 2SLGBTQI+)	Project will not directly benefit Indigenous Peoples, women, youth or other underrepresented groups (persons with disabilities, visible minorities, 2SLGBTQI+)	
Precedent setting	Not precedent setting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project clearly meets eligibility criteria 	Potentially precedent setting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project clearly meets some but not all eligibility criteria 	Precedent setting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project does not clearly meet eligibility criteria 	

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Industry and community support	Strong support, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letters of support • Project partners • Direct financial support • Other approved funding sources 	Some support	None	
Funding impact	Significant increase in revenue	Moderate increase in revenue	None or limited increase in revenue	
Quality of application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear project description • Clear objectives and deliverables • Sufficient background information • Clear answers to all questions • Budget clearly laid out and related to project description • Quotes are included 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some sections unclear or missing information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key information is unclear or missing • Application is written poorly or there is the possibility of misunderstanding 	
Other concerns	None	A few concerns	Many concerns	