

# Taylor County Agriculture Newsletter

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## MONEY FOR FARM IMPROVEMENTS

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KENTUCKY AGRICULTURAL  
DEVELOPMENT FUND

### Eligible Investment Areas:

*Agricultural Diversification  
AgTech & Leadership Development  
Large Animal - Small Animal  
Farm Infrastructure  
Fencing & On-Farm Water  
Forage & Grain Improvement  
Innovative Ag. Systems  
On-Farm Energy  
Poultry & Other Fowl  
Value Added & Marketing*

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## COUNTY AGRICULTURAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (CAIP)

Applications are available for Taylor County's CAIP to assist farmers in making important farm investments.

**Application Period:**  
**September 7-28, 2023**

**No applications will be accepted before  
September 7 or after September 28**

**Application Availability:**  
**Taylor County Extension Office**  
**Monday – Friday (8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)**

**For More Information:**  
**Contact Pat Hardesty at (270) 465-4511 or  
email: taylor.ext@uky.edu**

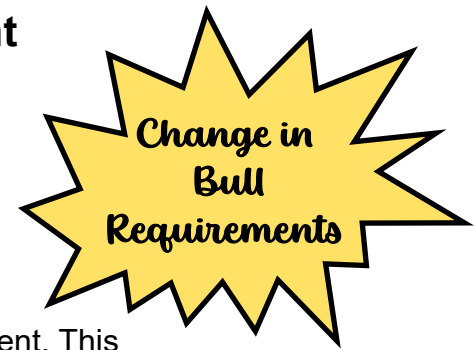
*All applications are scored, based on the scoring criteria  
set by the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board.*

**IF YOU RECEIVED FUNDING IN THE 2022 PROGRAM YEAR, YOU  
ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING IN THE 2023 PROGRAM YEAR.**

# Updated Guidelines for CAIP Genetic Improvement Program for Beef

*Darrh Bullock, U.K. Beef Specialist*

At the beginning of every year, we update the guidelines for the CAIP Genetic Improvement Program. These changes include adjusting the EPD requirements for any breed that has had a change to their genetic evaluation or any other changes that the Kentucky Agriculture Development Board's Program Evaluation Committee decide to implement. This year there were minimal changes to the EPD guidelines with Charolais being the only breed to have changes in their EPD values because of changes to their genetic evaluation. Also, Red Angus was included in the Alternative - Selection Index for the Balanced Trait category.



**Last year bulls were required to have Genomically Enhanced EPDs, which will continue, but an alternative is that the bull can have an Accuracy value for Calving Ease Direct of .25 or greater (this was lowered by the committee from .30).** One last change is there is no longer an upper limit to Weaning Weight for a balanced trait bull; however, the upper limit for Yearly Weight remains. To get the latest updates to the EPD guidelines please go to: <https://afs.ca.uky.edu/beef/publications/breeding-management> and click on the "Beef Sire Selection for Cattle Genetic Improvement Program - CAIP EPD Guidelines for Bulls" link.

## Heifer Requirements for CAIP Funding

### Bred or Open Heifers or First Calf Heifers

1. All bred heifers must be bred to calving ease bulls based on their EPDs (see Beef Sire Selection for Cattle Genetics Improvement Program). **The EPDs of the service sire must be provided at the time of sale.**
2. All bred heifers must be owned by the consignor at the time of breeding
3. Applicant must submit Heifer Affidavit - Producer Report for heifer purchases and include documentation of veterinary examination.
4. All heifers purchased shall have been developed following the minimum guidelines outlined by the University of Kentucky and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture's "Herd Builders" replacement heifer program.
5. Beginning in 2019: Heifers under 30 months of age purchased with a calf are eligible, but do not require pelvic measurement and tract scores.



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# Cattlemen's Roundup: Expansion Decisions



**Tuesday, September 19**

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Taylor County Fair Grounds**

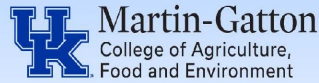
**Come enjoy the food, fellowship and education.**

**Call 465-4511 to RSVP by Monday, September 18.**

Guest Speaker:

Jonathan Shepherd, Extension Specialist

- Culling Cow Decisions
- Retaining Replacement Heifers or Selling as Feeders
- Trade Show



# Rinse & Return Recycling Program

**Thursday, September 21**

**10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**

**County Barn**

**180 Pleasant Drive**



### Pressure Rinsing

- Remove cover from container. Empty the pesticide into the spray tank and let the container drain for 30 seconds.
- Continue holding the container upside down over the sprayer tank opening so rinsate will run into the sprayer tank.
- Insert the pressure-rinse nozzle by puncturing through the bottom of the pesticide container.
- Rinse for length of time recommended by the manufacturer (generally 30 seconds or more).

### Triple Rinsing

- Remove cover from container. Empty the pesticide into the spray tank and let the container drain for 30 seconds.
- Fill the container 10% to 20% full of water or rinse solution.
- Secure the cover on the container.
- Swirl the container to rinse all inside surfaces.
- Remove cover from the container. Add the rinsate from the container to sprayer tank and let drain for 30 seconds or more.
- Repeat steps 2 through 5 two more times.
- Puncture container.



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# Now is a great time to have your Soil Tested and Hay Testing done!

Taylor County  
Conservation District  
provides 2 FREE test per  
year or send to  
University of Kentucky  
at \$7.00 each!

For more information call the  
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## Beefy Stuffed Peppers

**1 cup** uncooked, whole wheat couscous  
**1** small tomato, diced  
**½ cup** garbanzo beans  
**1 teaspoon** dried Italian seasoning

**¼ teaspoon** ground black pepper  
**1 teaspoon** salt  
**½ cup** low fat shredded mozzarella cheese

**4** large bell peppers  
**½ pound** lean ground beef  
**1 tablespoon** chopped green onion  
**1 tablespoon** minced garlic

**Cook** couscous according to package directions. **Preheat** oven to 350 degrees F. **Combine** cooked couscous, tomato, beans, Italian seasoning, pepper, salt and mozzarella cheese in large bowl; set aside. **Remove** the tops, seeds and membranes from peppers. **Cook** peppers in boiling water for 5 minutes; **drain** upside down on paper towels. **Cook** beef until lightly browned in skillet. **Add** minced garlic and green onions to beef and sauté until

soft. **Drain** fat. **Toss** beef mixture into the couscous mixture. **Stuff** bell peppers evenly with mixture. **Place** in a lightly greased 9 x 9 inch baking dish. **Bake** for 15-20 minutes or until peppers are tender and cheese is melted.

**Yield:** 4 servings

**Nutritional Analysis:** 280 calories, 6 g fat, 2.5 g saturated fat, 35 mg cholesterol, 790 mg sodium, 36 g carbohydrate, 7 g fiber, 6 g sugar, 21 g protein



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