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Montana Department of Agriculture Requesting 2024 ARPA Agriculture Infrastructure Grant Applications, Round #2

Over \$1.5 million in funding available for Montana Agriculture Infrastructure

HELENA, Mont. – The Montana Department of Agriculture (MDA) is now accepting applications for over \$1.5 million in Round #2 federal funding available through the ARPA Agriculture Infrastructure Grant Program.

The intent of the Agriculture Infrastructure Grant Program is to advance Montana's agricultural industry through targeted investments in value-added agriculture projects across the state. Grants will assist with the development of innovative agricultural business improvements to keep pace with a transforming agricultural industry, create new jobs, and expand business opportunities.

The Montana Department of Agriculture will be releasing \$1.5 million for a second round of ARPA-AIG project awards. Project activities must take place between June 1st, 2024, and December 16th, 2024.

For a complete list of guidelines and eligibility requirements, please visit <u>agr.mt.gov/ARPAGrants</u> or contact your regional Food and Ag Development Center (FADC) by clicking <u>here</u>.

Grant proposals are due to the Montana Department of Agriculture by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 29th, 2024. Technical assistance calls will be held on Thursday, April 18th, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. For more information, please visit <u>agr.mt.gov/ARPAGrants</u> or email Olivia Mays at <u>olivia.mays@mt.gov</u>.

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