



Food and Ag Development Centers
TREASURE STATE SIRES
SUCCESS STORY

The Project

Treasure State Sires - A Growth Through Agriculture grant for the full award amount of \$150,000 helped Treasure State Sires open the first ever boar stud facility in Montana. The facility, located near Cascade, is owned by Cascade Colony and managed by the Pork Storks genetics supplier.

Their local FADC, hosted by Great Falls Development Alliance, provided support throughout the application process.

The boar stud operation involves collecting genetic samples (semen) from pigs housed at the Cascade facility, which is securely packaged and prepared for shipment to swine production facilities across the country.

About 400 boars at the facility will produce over 100,000 samples annually, providing a consistent stream of revenue for the region and a significant asset for the country's pork production.

In addition to supplying genetic material, a lab at the facility will oversee quality control of each sample, enabling them to select desired genetic traits and screen for any pathogens or abnormalities. Samples are immediately transferred to a temperature-controlled repository until they can be loaded onto refrigerated trucks for shipment to the final customer. After production begins, the facility will be locked down to maintain strict biosecurity protocols, ensuring the health of the animals and integrity of the samples produced.

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