

# 2023 Farmland Restoration Grant *Writing Workshop*

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# Please introduce yourselves in the comments.

Feel free to include:

- Your Name
- Your Farm or Agricultural Cooperative Name
- The type of restoration work you are planning for your farm.

# Today's Agenda

- Welcome
- Overview of the 2023 Farmland Restoration Grant
  - Grant Description
  - Eligible Applicants
  - Match Requirement, Expenses, & Payment
  - Project Duration & Post Award Requirements
  - Submission Process
    - Required attachments
  - Evaluation Criteria and Process
- Important Dates
- How to Apply
- Questions?

# Grant Description

- The Farmland Restoration Grant (FLRG) provides **matching funds** to Connecticut farmers, nonprofits and municipalities to increase food and fiber production in the state by restoring lands into active agricultural production. FLRG focuses on restoring and improving land with prime and important farmland soils, in accordance with a Farmland Restoration Grant Plan (FLRG Plan).
- The FLRG program and any awards are subject to limitations of state funding.
- Funding for the Farmland Restoration Grant is made possible by Public Act 11-1, codified in Chapter 422 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The Farmland Restoration Grant and any awards are subject to the requirements and provisions of state funding.
- For the purposes of this grant, farmland restoration is the act of bringing land into agricultural production for **human food, animal feed, or livestock grazing**.

# Eligible Applicants

- **Agricultural producers**, singularly or jointly, whether such producers are owners or tenants of existing agribusiness within the State of Connecticut with at least one year of production experience.
- **Not for profits** with a property being used for agricultural production.
- **Municipalities and state agencies with farmland in use by a farmer** with a lease no less than five years in duration, and a five-year option to renew in place.

# Eligible Applicants (cont.)

Producers must be registered with the Connecticut Secretary of State if established as a **limited liability company** or **corporation** and obtain or be applying to obtain a **Farmer's Tax Exemption Permit**.

Farms should be a business in good standing with the Connecticut Department of Agriculture, all State, and Federal requirements.

**Not for profits** must be registered with the Connecticut Secretary of State and provide a copy of the **federal IRS exemption letter**. To be considered eligible for this grant, non-profits must have **three years** of consecutive 990 forms on file with the IRS (from 2017-2020).

# Eligible Applicants (cont.)

- Prior grantees may apply for a Farmland Restoration Grant.
- Open awards, past awards, project completion and outcomes of current awards will be considered in the evaluation of this award application.
- Applicants who have received **two years of consecutive** funding will be ineligible for an award for one year. Applicants can reapply for funding in the **next** grant cycle.

# Farmland Restoration Grant Categories

- **Two** different grant categories are available.
  - **Agricultural producers** (individuals, companies and corporations) and **Not For Profits**
  - **Municipalities** or **state agencies**
- Applicants may select one category for which they think their project qualifies.
- DOAG reserves the right to alter the grant category selected by the applicant.



# Agricultural Producers and Not For Profits Farmland Restoration Grant

- Agricultural producers must be the owner of an existing agribusiness with the State of Connecticut with at least one year of production experience.
- Not for profits must have property that is being used for agricultural production.
- FLRG Grant:
  - Maximum award: **\$20,000**
  - Match requirement: **50%** of project costs
- Past projects have included land clearing, stone & stump removal, drainage, irrigation wells and irrigation lines.

# Municipalities or State Agencies

- Municipalities and state agencies with farmland in use by a farmer with a lease no less than five years in duration and a five-year option to renew in place.
  - Maximum award: \$20,000
  - Match requirement: 90% of project costs
- Past projects have included land clearing, farm roads and drainage.

# Match Requirement, Expenses and Payment

- Projects on **Publicly Owned Land**: These are lands owned by a municipality or that are state-owned land – there is a 90/10 Match. 90% of project expenses may be grant funded, 10% of project expenses should be covered by the applicant as the match.
- Projects on **Privately Owned Land**: These reference land that is owned privately by a farmer or not for profit – there is a 50/50 Match. 50% of project expenses can be grant funded, 50% of project expenses are covered by the applicant as the match.
- The FLRG must be paid directly to the individual or business the agreement is made with.

# Match Requirement, Expenses and Payment (continued)

- The following expenses **may not** be used as a match and will not be funded by this grant:
  - Any expense incurred prior to contract execution
  - Land acquisition/mortgages
  - Cost of borrowing (points and other fees)
  - Any portion of expense for which the applicant barter/pays a contractor in merchandise or service in lieu of cash
  - Routine business expenses (example: equipment maintenance)
  - Disposable supplies (office, farm, otherwise) unrelated to the project
  - Legal expenses related to litigation
  - Indirect or contingency costs of any percentage
  - Land remediation expenses
  - Projects conducted on brownfields or contaminated lands
  - Purchase of general-purpose equipment (cars, trucks, boats, tractors, chainsaws, etc.)
  - Lobbying

# Match Requirement, Expenses and Payment (continued)

- The following expenses are an acceptable match if they directly and meaningfully support the proposed project:
  - Employee salaries/payroll paid to execute the project
  - Attorneys' fees (not related to litigation)
  - Consumable or disposable supplies (example: gas, oil)

# Match Requirement, Expenses and Payment (continued)

- The FLRG is a reimbursement grant. ***Incomplete projects cannot be fully reimbursed.***
- Once awards are made no additional funds will be awarded, even if a project's expenses increase. Conversely, if project expenses are less than originally projected, for example the project only costs \$8,000 instead of \$10,000, a prorated amount will be paid for completed work.

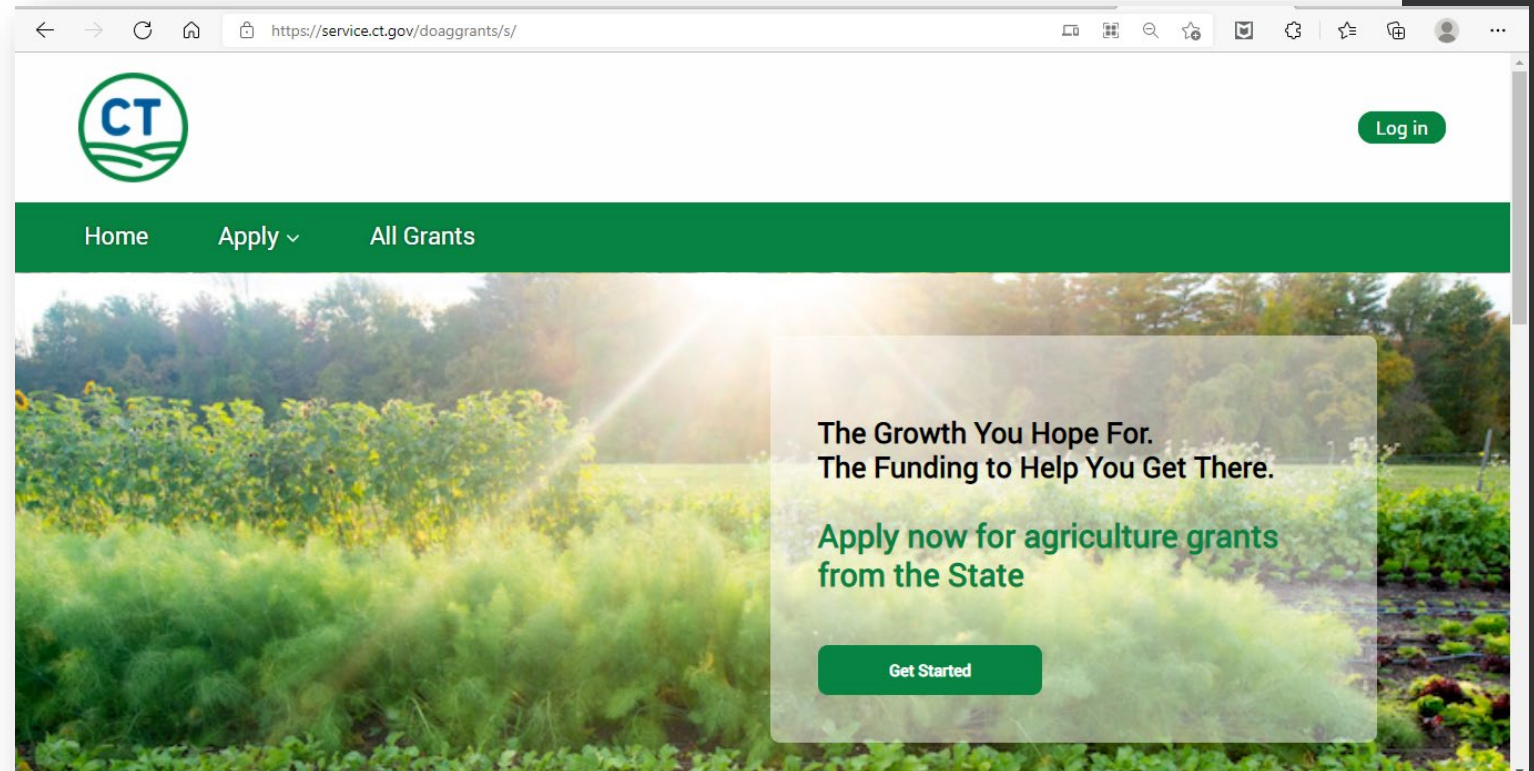
# Project Duration

- Projects must be completed within 18 months of contract execution. Contract and project extensions are not allowed.
- Your project **CANNOT START** prior to the Contract start date even if executed before the Contract start date!

**DO NOT BEGIN YOUR PROJECT  
UNTIL THE CONTRACT START DATE**

# Submission Process

- All Farmland Restoration Grant applications are required to be submitted through the DOAG grant portal.
- All grant funding opportunities can be found here: <https://service.ct.gov/doaggrants/s/>
- Step-by-step instructions on creating an account, and applying for grants can be found here: [Application-Instructions.pdf](#)





# Application Requirements

- A complete application includes:
  1. Supplemental Application & Grant Narrative (please see **page 13** of the guidance for more information).
  2. Budget Form and Project Timeline Workbook
  3. Aerial maps of the project area. Please include on this map a detailed sketch of the project, identifying what will be done to the land. *The aerial maps can be obtained from Google maps or USDA.*
  4. Soil(s) map of project area. *These can be obtained from NRCS or online at the [Web Soil Survey](#)*
  5. Assessor tax card and tax map for the property. *These can be obtained from the municipal tax assessor's office or possibly online.*
  6. Map identifying the common land units for the property. This map may include field locations and names, crops grown, and acres per field. These can be obtained from a local USDA Service Center. These must be scanned as pdf files for the application process.

# Application Requirements - continued

7. Pictures of the project area as it currently exists, prior to the project being completed.
8. Profit and Loss statements for up to the previous three years.
9. Valid Farmer's Tax Exemption Permit or application to obtain a Farmer's Tax Exemption Permit.
10. If applicable – an approval letter from the easement holder for approval of the project. A template for the approval letter can be found on the Farmland Restoration Grant webpage at [www.CTGrown.gov/grants](http://www.CTGrown.gov/grants).
11. If applicable – a copy of an executed lease and a statement from the owner for approval of the project. A template for the approval letter can be found on the Farmland Restoration Grant webpage at [www.CTGrown.gov/grants](http://www.CTGrown.gov/grants).
12. If applicable – an approved copy of an NRCS Conservation Plan or Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan.

All required forms/documents can be found here: [2023 Farmland Restoration Grant \(FLRG\)--Documents \(ct.gov\)](#)

# Where can I find information on the 2023 Farmland Restoration Grant?

- [www.ctgrown.gov](http://www.ctgrown.gov)
- Click “Farmland Restoration Grant”

The screenshot shows the Connecticut State Website header with the logo 'ct.gov Connecticut's Official State Website', a search bar, and a 'Language + Settings' button. The breadcrumb trail reads: 'CT.gov Home / Department of Agriculture / Programs and Grants / Farmland Restoration Grant'. The main heading is 'Farmland Restoration Grant'. A left-hand navigation menu includes links for 'Overview', 'Eligibility', 'Apply', 'Documents/Forms', 'FAQs', and 'Contact'. The 'Overview' section is active and contains the following text: 'The Farmland Restoration Grant (FLRG) provides matching funds to Connecticut farmers, nonprofits and municipalities to increase food and fiber production in the state by restoring lands into active agricultural production. FLRP focuses on restoring and improving land with prime and important farmland soils, in accordance with a Farmland Restoration Program Plan and a Climate Smart Resiliency Plan (FLRP Plan). Funding for the Farmland Restoration Grant is made possible by Connecticut General Statutes 22-6c. The Farmland Restoration Grant and any awards are subject to the requirements and provisions of state funding. For purposes of this program, farmland restoration is the act of bringing land into agricultural production for human food, animal feed, or livestock grazing. The maximum grant awarded is **\$20,000.00**. Applications of any amount up to the maximum possible award will be considered for funding. There are two opportunities for funding under the Farmland Restoration Program. The opportunities for funding are for projects on either **publicly owned land** or for projects that are on **privately owned land**. Applicants will choose the grant that best fits their property to apply. Application Period: open date of Friday, October 14, 2022, through Friday, December 9, 2022 at 4:00pm. **Applications will not be accepted after 4:00pm on Friday, December 9, 2022.** On Tuesday November 8, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. a virtual webinar will be held for interested agricultural producers and cooperatives to learn about the Farmland Restoration Program application process. The webinar will be held utilizing Webex and the link to join via a video call or voice call is below. \* Please register for the webinar by clicking the blue button below. \*

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# Budget and Project Timeline Workbook

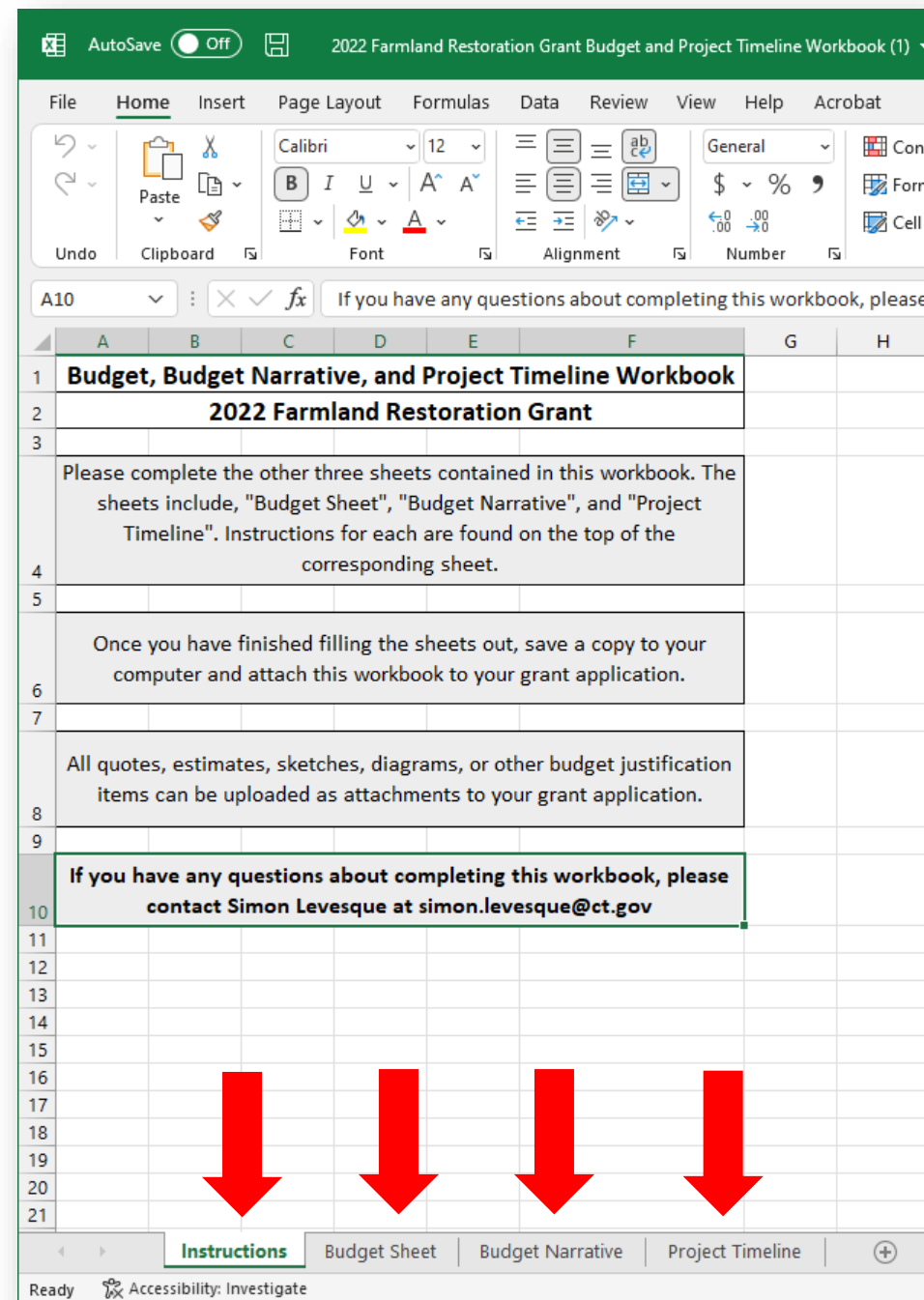
- Visit: [2023 Farmland Restoration Grant Program \(ct.gov\)](https://portal.ct.gov/DOAG/ADaRC/ADaRC/Farmland-Restoration-Grant/Documents)
- Download a blank copy of the form and save to your computer.

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# Budget and Project Timeline Workbook

There are four sheets included in this workbook:

1. Instructions \*you do not need to fill anything out on this sheet.\*
2. Budget Sheet
3. Budget Narrative
4. Project Timeline



# Budget Sheet

- Your budget must contain the following itemized categories.
- Projects involving hiring a subcontractor should include quotes from that subcontractor.
- In-kind expenses must include breakdowns of hours worked, rates per hour and work performed.

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Budget Application Form 2022 Farmland Restoration Grant							
Directions: In the cells below, itemize the project expenses for each category. The sum function will automatically total the itemized expenses in each of the gray category boxes. Rows can be added in each category if needed. Be sure to check the sum function of each category to ensure it includes the additional rows added.							
In addition to the itemized budget below, please also fill out the budget narrative (on the next sheet) that contains the following information: a. Where the match is coming from (cash, loan, other grant, etc.) b. Sufficient explanation and justification of the financial support requested							
BUDGET	ITEMIZED SUBTOTALS - GRANT FUNDS	GRANT FUNDS REQUESTED	ITEMIZED SUBTOTALS - MATCH FUNDS	IN-KIND MATCH BY APPLICANT	ITEMIZED SUBTOTALS - MATCH FUNDS	CASH MATCH BY APPLICANT	TOTAL COST
<b>SALARIES AND FRINGE.</b> Employee salary & fringe paid to execute the project is eligible. Salary is an eligible cash match as well.	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salary and Fringe 1:	N/A		\$0.00		\$0.00		
<b>*RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT.</b> Rented equipment required to complete the project (woodchipper, backhoe, light or heavy duty equipment)	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	\$0.00
Item 1:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Item 2:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
<b>*MATERIALS &amp; SUPPLIES.</b> A list of materials and supplies required for the project.	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	\$0.00
Item 1:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Item 2:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Item 3:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Item 4:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Item 5:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
<b>CONTRACTUAL/CONSULTANT.</b> Expenses associated with procuring services performed by an individual or organization other than the applicant. If more than one, each contractor/consultant hired must be described separately. Attaching quotes to justify the expense is required.	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contractor 1:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Contractor 2:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
<b>OTHER COSTS.</b> A list, with descriptions, of each item listed as "Other Costs"	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	Leave blank	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Instructions Budget Sheet Budget Narrative Project Timeline

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# Supplemental Application and Grant Narrative

Connecticut's Official State Website

Search Connecticut Government...

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CT.gov Home / Department of Agriculture / Programs and Grants / Farmland Restoration Grant / Documents/Forms

## Farmland Restoration Grant

- Overview
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### Documents/Forms

- 2023 Farmland Restoration Grant Guidance Document
- Cash Match Requirement Charts for the 2023 Farmland Restoration Grant
- Supplemental Application/Grant Narrative** ←
- Grant Budget and Project Timeline Workbook
- Example Site Plan Map
- Example Soils Map
- Web Soil Survey Instructions
- W-9 Form
- State Vendor Form
- Template Landlord Agreement

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Visit: [2023 Farm Restoration Grant \(FRLG\)--Documents \(ct.gov\)](#)

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FARMLAND RESTORATION GRANT SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION AND GRANT NARRATIVE

NAME OF APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

FARM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FARM OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street/Town/State/ZIP)

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FARM PROPERTY LOCATION (street/town): \_\_\_\_\_

DEED REFERENCE(S): Vol \_\_\_\_\_ Pg \_\_\_\_\_; Vol \_\_\_\_\_ Pg \_\_\_\_\_; Vol \_\_\_\_\_ Pg \_\_\_\_\_

ZONING OF PROPERTY: \_\_\_\_\_

TAX MAP REFERENCE(S): Map \_\_\_\_\_ Block \_\_\_\_\_ Lot \_\_\_\_\_; Map \_\_\_\_\_ Block \_\_\_\_\_ Lot \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach sheet if more space is needed for multiple deed and/or tax map references)

Are You a Farmer? (check one)  Yes  No: If no, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or lease the farm restoration area?  Own; or  Lease; lease term \_\_\_\_\_  
If leased, explain annual lease paid or other arrangement: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Upload a copy of lease with your application)

Please indicate whether your business entity is a sole proprietorship, LLC, single-member LLC, corporation, partnership, or DBA  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied to the USDA-NRCS for Farm Bill Environmental and/or Easement Programs (EQIP, WHIP, AMA, CSP, GRP, FRPP, CTA, WRP)?  Yes;  No;  
If yes, please indicate the program(s) and if you have an approved agreement: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you consulted the DEEP Natural Diversity Data Base (NDDDB) regarding FLRP area?  
Yes  No  If your project falls within a listed species area, and your application is approved, you will be required to submit a NDDDB review request form to DEEP.

Check under which Scenario you are applying:  
Scenario 1: Existing NRCS approved conservation plan:

# Other Important Forms: W-9 and State Vendor Form

- The DOAG Grants portal will prompt you to fill out and save a copy of your **W-9 Form** and **State Vendor Form**.
- Copies of these forms **MUST** be attached to your grant application.

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# Other Important Forms: Template Landlord Agreement

- If your project will be taking place on land that is leased or rented, you will need to attach a Landlord Agreement to your application.
- A template agreement can be found in the Documents/Forms section of the DOAG FLRG website.

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# Evaluation Criteria and Process

- The FLRG is a competitive grant.
- Only complete applications, as outlined on the website here: [2023 Farmland Restoration Grant \(FLRG\)--Apply \(ct.gov\)](#), submitted on time, will be evaluated.
- The evaluation will be weighted heavily on the project plan described in the Grant Narrative.

# Evaluation Criteria and Process (continued)

- The Grant Narrative should fully answer the questions clearly and directly.
- Project applications should clearly present how the project will be accomplished within a reasonable timeline.
- Additional information such as: quotes, conceptual drawings, and other documentation justifying and supporting the budget and project, is required to present a competitive application.

# Important Dates

- **Application Period:**

- Friday, October 14, 2022, at 12:00 p.m.
  - Friday, December 9, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

- **Application Deadline:**

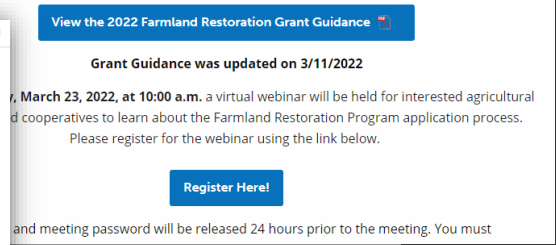
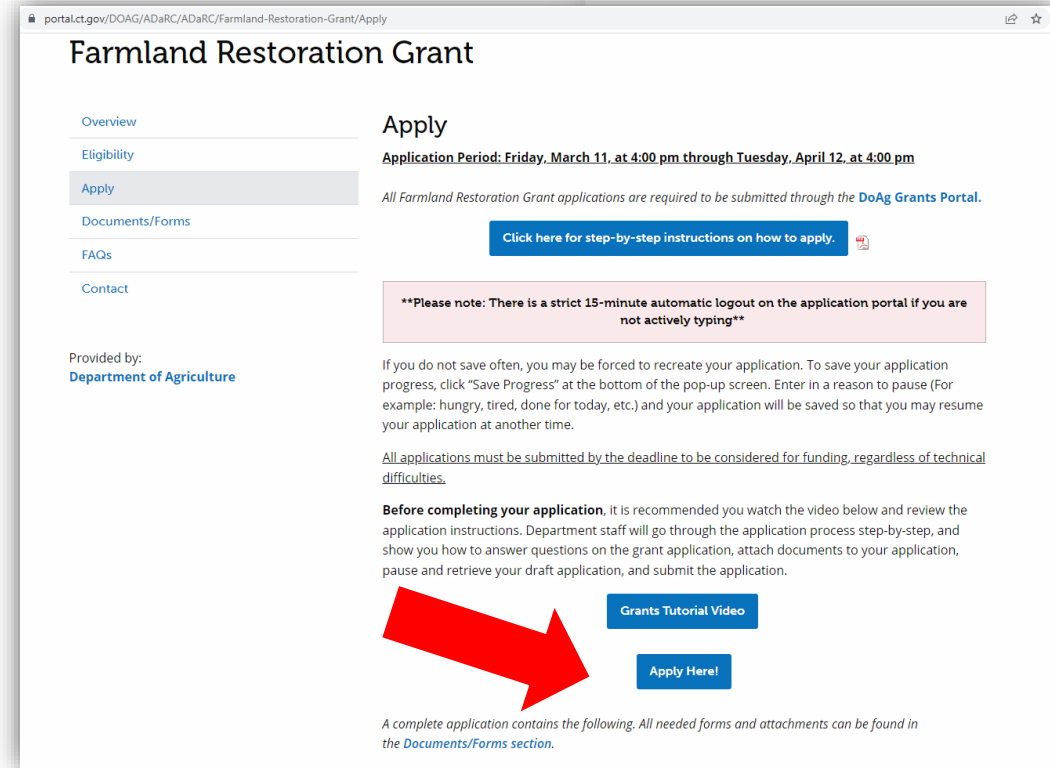
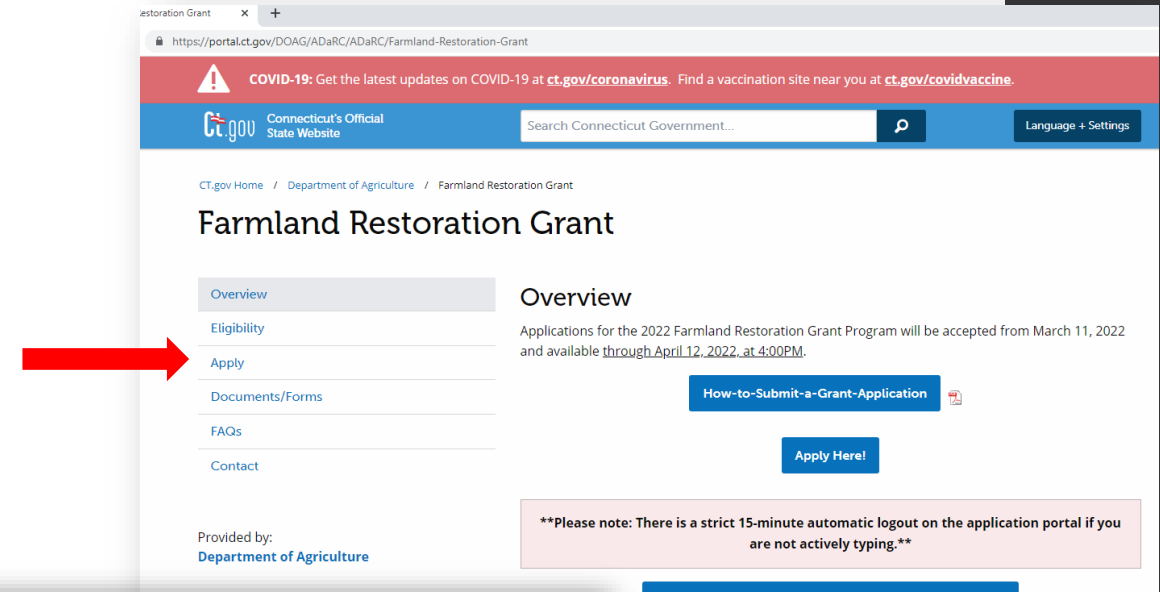
- Friday, December 9, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

- **Project Start Date (anticipated):**

- April 1, 2023

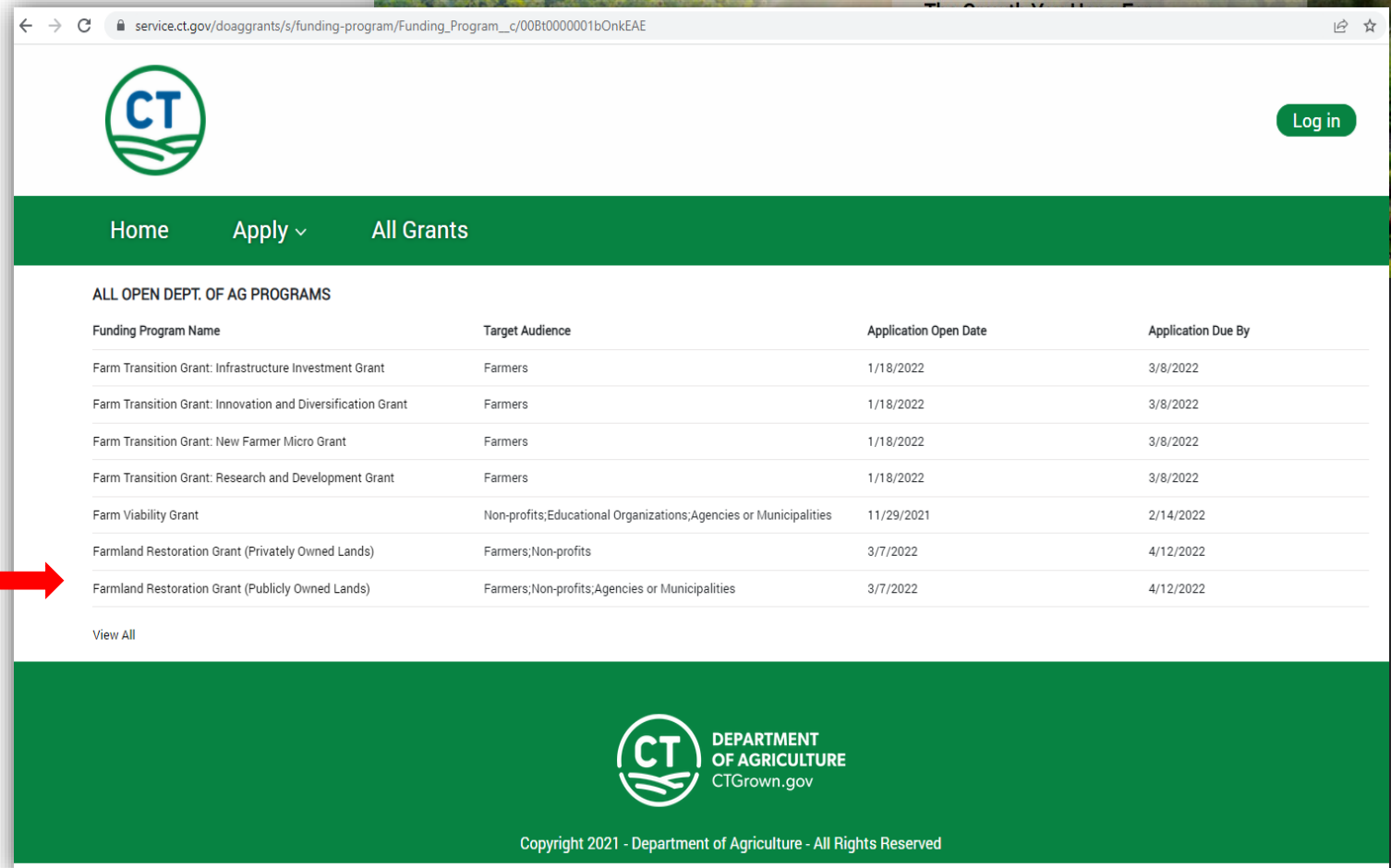
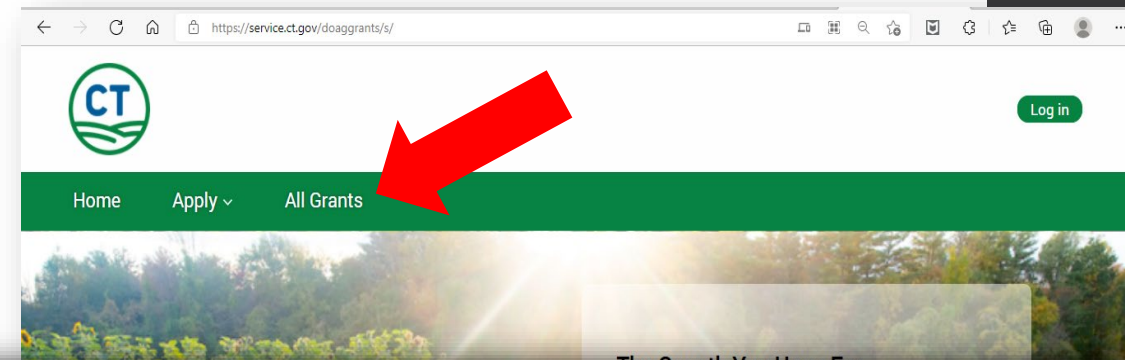
# How do I apply for the 2023 Farmland Restoration Grant?

- Visit DOAG's FLRG page here: [2023 Farmland Restoration Grant \(ct.gov\)](https://portal.ct.gov/DOAG/ADArc/ADArc/Farmland-Restoration-Grant)
- From the menu on the left, choose **"Apply"**
- Once on the Apply page, click the blue button that says **"Apply Here!"**
- This will bring you to the DOAG Grants Portal.



# How do I apply for the 2023 Farm Restoration Grant?

- Once on DOAG’s Grant Portal, click on “All Grants” and choose the category of the FLRG you are applying for.
- Private landowner?
  - Click **Farmland Restoration Grant (Privately Owned Lands)**
- Leasing from a municipality?
  - Choose **Farmland Restoration Grant (Publicly Owned Lands)**



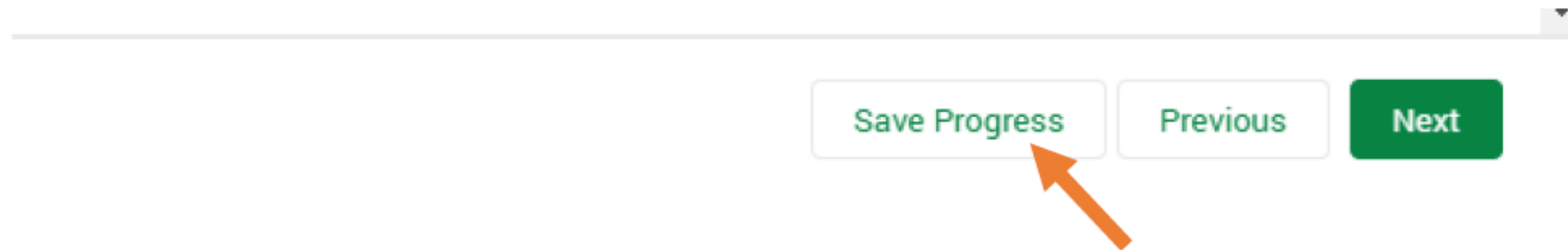


# **\*\*Please Note\*\***

- **There is a strict 15-minute automatic logout on the online application portal if you are not actively typing.**
- Please save your application often by clicking “**Save Progress**” at the bottom of the pop-up screen and enter in a pause reason so that you may resume your saved application.
- If you do not save often, you maybe forced to recreate your application.
- All applications must be submitted by the deadline in order to be considered for funding regardless of technical difficulties.
- We recommend answering the Grant Narrative questions in the Word document, and then copying and pasting your answers into the space provided on the grant portal.

# How to save your application progress.

**Step 8: Save your application and learn to return to it.** We suggest you save as this point to confirm your application has been created before continuing. To do so, click on Save Progress at the very bottom of the screen.



The system will prompt you to put in a reason why you are pausing. You can enter anything in here.

Pause Reason

# How to resume your application:

To return to your saved application, click on My Grants in the top green menu bar.



Once you are in My Grants, you will see your application listed as below. Click on Resume.

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**Time Paused**  
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**Paused Step**  
Fill out Application

Resume

# Want Step-by-Step Instructions on how to apply for a grant through the DOAG Grant Portal?

- Go to the Apply section of the FLRG website found here: [2023 Farmland Restoration Grant \(FLRG\)--Apply \(ct.gov\)](https://www.ct.gov/agriculture/programs-and-grants/farmland-restoration-grant/apply)
- Click on “Click here for step-by-step instructions on how to apply”

CT.gov Home / Department of Agriculture / Programs and Grants / Farmland Restoration Grant / Apply

## Farmland Restoration Grant

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### Apply

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# Post Award

- Awardees will be notified via email in **early January, 2023**
- Grant administrators (Simon, Lance, Holly) will contact awardees to gather additional information for **Grant Contracts**
- Anticipated Contract start date **April 1, 2023**
- Grant administrators will help coordinate site visits with **Soil Scientists** and awardees after contracts are signed
- **Projects may not begin until the Commissioner approves a Farmland Restoration Plan from a designated soil scientist**
- Expect to begin work on your project by **July 1, 2023**

# Quick Recap

- Grant Deadline: Friday, **December 9, 2022 at 4:00pm**
- Applicants choose ONE category of the Farmland Restoration Grant to apply for
- Maximum grant award: \$20,000
- Cash or In-kind Match Required:
  - Property owned by agricultural producers (individuals, companies and/or corporations) and Not For Profits – 50%
  - Property owned by municipalities and state agencies – 10%
- Applicants should attach the Budget and Project Timeline Workbook and quotes/estimates/budget justification items to their application.
- The grant narrative questions will be answered within the **Supplemental Application**.
- Template landlord agreement available on DOAG website.

# Contact Information:

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Please feel free to email us with any questions regarding the Farmland Restoration Grant. While we cannot help you write your application, we are here to assist you through this process. In case we are working from home, please send emails and we will get back to you ASAP.

Thank you for attending.

Questions