New York BCAP Project Area - 10

Outreach Meetings
September 2015
Project Sponsor

Re-Energy Holdings LLC
Project Sponsor Facilities

Re-Energy Lyonsdale

Re-Energy Black River (Fort Drum)
New York BCAP Project
Area - 10 Energy Crop
Shrub Willow
BCAP Authorization (Par. 1)

BCAP project areas are authorized to:

– Establish a distinct geographic region in which participants can enroll land into BCAP contracts and produce eligible crops.

– Support the establishment and production of eligible crops for conversion to bioenergy.
Counties Eligible for BCAP Contracts
Eligible BCAP Counties

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Sign-up Period

• Signup Started on August 17, 2015

• All contracts must be approved by September 25, 2015

• Project expanded to 2500 acres total – currently have approximately 1250 acres enrolled
Contracts

- 1250 acres

- 11 year contracts – annual payments

- Effective Date of Contract – 1\textsuperscript{st} day of the month after COC approval

- Producer can defer start date 6 months
Producer Eligibility

• AD-1026 Certification – Highly Erodible and Wetland Provisions – Food Security Act of 1985

• Complete CCC-901 in Business File for Entities and JV – not individuals
How eligibility differs from CRP

• Foreign producers are eligible
• AGI is not applicable
• No payment limitations
• No minimum acreage
• No cropping history requirement
• No base acre reduction required
• No express conflict with ARCPLC, CSP or EQIP
Eligible Land

• Land that meets the definition of cropland – 3CM definition (tilled or has been tilled)

• Pastureland

• Land already established to Shrub Willow that meets the NRCS standard and Job Sheet Requirements

Note: Cropland base and yield history will be preserved for land enrolled in a BCAP contract – can be enrolled in ARCPLC
Rental Rate Calculations

- **Cropland** – per acre annual rental payments determined using posted cropland Soil Rental Rates (SRR) – weighted average of 3 predominate soils

- **Pastureland** – per acre annual rental rate - MPL Rental Rate (MPLRR)

- **Already established shrub willow** – use posted cropland SRR – weighted average of 3 predominate soils

- **Additional 25% incentive payment** will be applied to the weighted average SRR or MPLRR
Soil rental rates and incentives

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Ineligible Land

- Active CRP, WRP & GRP contracts – expiring CRP land could be offered to start on 10-1-2015

- Native Sod – NY does not have Native Sod

- Land owned by Federal agencies, States, local governments, including school districts
Annual Payments

• One-half of the calculated first year annual payment can be issued as soon as practicable following contract approval – if requested

• The remaining half and all subsequent annual payments will be paid after the anniversary date of the contract
Reductions in year of harvest

• The annual payment will be reduced in the year of harvest

• Annual payment will be zero in the year of harvest because producer is paid for delivery of material that has a value greater than the annual rental payment
Crop Establishment – BC3B Practice

• 50% cost-share – up to $500.00 per acre
  – SDA – up to $750/acre

• Establishment practices started or implemented before the submission of the offer – BCAP-23 and FSA-848 are NOT eligible for reimbursement

• Partial payments for practice performance are authorized

• Cost-share payments can NOT be assigned as they were in the 2012 program
Practice BC3B – Shrub Willow Crop Establishment

• 5500 stems per acre will be planted – mechanical planter

• Double rows – with spacing between each set of double rows for harvest equipment

• 40-50 feet of vegetated area will be left at the end of the rows for equipment movement

• All of this acreage will be enrolled in the contract
Components Eligible for Cost-share

- Shrub Willow planting material
- Cover Crop establishment after burn down of permanent cover
- Rock removal
- Cover establishment in traffic lanes and ends of rows
- Coppicing of 1 year growth
- Lime, fertilizer, weed and insect control measures necessary for establishment of the stand

All according to the NRCS Conservation Plan
Ineligible for cost-share

- Any minerals, nutrients, pesticides and other weed control measures to maintain an adequate established stand
  - Participant is responsible for all maintenance measures at their own expense

- Harvesting, storing and transporting of biomass to Biomass Conversion Facility

- Practices or components already established before submission of the offer
Other Practice Requirements

• Planting must be completed within 12 months of the effective date of Form BCAP-24

• COC can waive the 12 month deadline – not to exceed 24 months for weather, and/or plant material shortages

• Noxious weeds and other undesirable plants, insects and pests must be controlled

• All maintenance and harvest must be outside the primary nesting season (April 1st through August 1st) once crop is established
Conservation Plans

• NRCS will develop Conservation plans
• Interim Conservation Plans will be used due to the short window for contract approval
• NRCS will provide LTP-4 Form with planting provisions
## County Office Contact Information

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