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The Georgia Farm Recovery Block Grant application will be available at **farmrecovery.com** on March 18. To better assist producers in preparing for the three week enrollment period, GDA has compiled this Applicant Worksheet to show producers what information will be requested on the application.

The application will ask you to provide information in four steps:

- 1. General Information: Tell us about yourself and how we can contact you
- 2. Farming Operation: Tell us about your farm and how you have your business structured
- 3. Locations: Tell us where your farming operation's trees, cows, poultry houses, fields, pastures, structures, and irrigation systems were at the time of the storm
- 4. Commodity Losses: Tell us about the damages that occurred at each of those locations

For example; John Q. Taxpayer had a pecan grove at one location and ten poultry houses at another. John will first give us some basic identifying and contact information. Then he'll tell us how he is farming as an individual with 100% ownership in the farm. Then he'll tell use exactly where his pecan grove and poultry houses were on October 10, 2018. Finally, John will provide us with details about his losses.

<u>Note:</u> This is NOT an official application. The Georgia Department of Agriculture reserves the right to amend this Application Worksheet if necessary. The official FRBG application may not look exactly like this worksheet, but the information below is representative of what will be included on the final application.



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Applicant

The Applicant is the person who fills out the Block Grant application. If you are involved in multiple farming operations that experienced eligible losses from Hurricane Michael, you may submit a separate application each farming operation.

Note: You must have interest in a farming operation or forest land in order to apply. Payments will be limited to \$900,000 per individual.

Questions for the Applicant

- Applicant First Name
- Applicant Middle Name
- Applicant Last Name
- Applicant SSN
- Mailing Address
- City
- State
- Zip
- Phone
- Email



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Farming Operation

A farming operation is the organization (individual farmer or legal entity) engaged in production of agricultural commodities or forest land. You will have the ability to select how your farm is organized.

Questions on the Farming Operation

- Type choose one:
 - Individual, not incorporated
 - General Partnership
 - Joint Venture
 - Sole Proprietorship/DBA
 - Corporation
 - Limited Partnership
 - Limited Liability Company
 - o Revocable/Living Trust
 - Irrevocable Trust
 - Estate
 - Charitable/Tax-exempt Organization
- Entity Name (use individual name if not incorporated)
- Tax ID (use SSN if not incorporated)
- USDA Farm Serial #
- GATE Card #
- List all members/shareholders/beneficiaries/heirs/partners/sub-entities of this entity
 - Type (Individual or Legal Entity)
 - o Name
 - SSN/Tax ID
 - Share of operation (%)
 - If one of the members is another legal entity you will need to list all the members of that entity as well

Required Documents for the Farming Operation

- If Type is anything other than "Individual, not incorporated", you must provide GDA supporting documentation of your participation in this entity.
- Documentation may include articles of incorporation, revocable trust documents, partnership agreements, and evidence of heirship.
- Entities with multiple members will be asked to fill out and submit the Legal Entity Membership Form (GAFRBG-03), available at farmrecovery.com, along with the application.



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Location

You will be asked to provide the physical location of your farming operation. This is a physical address (not necessarily the same as your mailing address) and GPS coordinates. You will have the opportunity to add more than one location per farming operation; for example, a fruit & vegetable producer would provide the location for each field that was used for those commodities.

You can determine coordinates from online maps or by using your GPS device. For detailed instructions, please see "How to Find Geo-Coordinates" at farmrecovery.com.

Questions on Location: Details

- County
- Physical Address
- City
- State
- Zip
- Latitude
- Longitude

Questions on Location: Property Status

- Did you own or lease the property at this physical location on October 10, 2018?
 (Choose Own or Lease)
- Do you currently own or lease the property at this physical location? (Choose Own, Lease, or Neither)

Required Documents for Location

The deed or 2018 Tax Assessment for owned property at this physical location

<u>OR</u>

The lease contract for the leased property at this physical location.



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Commodities at this Location

There are seven commodities that the Farm Recovery Block Grant can provide assistance for. For each of the commodities listed below, check Yes for any that you had at this location that you think are eligible for assistance. You will provide details on each of those commodities.

- Timber
- Beef
- Dairy
- Poultry
- Fruit & Vegetable
- Pecan
- Uninsured Infrastructure



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Timber Losses

If you are seeking assistance for timber losses you will have two options for assistance: the Comprehensive Option or the 3rd-Party Certification Option. If you choose the Comprehensive Option you will demonstrate the diminution of fair market value of their timber land as a result of the storm, and you will be eligible for a percentage of that lost value. If you do not have the documentation for the Comprehensive Option you can submit the 3rd-Party Certification form to certify that you had a qualifying loss to your timberland, and you will receive a per-acre payment to be determined after the enrollment.

Questions on Timber: Status

- Do you still produce or intend to produce Timber at this location?
- Funding Request Type
 - Comprehensive: if you filed an IRS 4684 Casualty Loss Form you are eligible to make a Comprehensive funding request.
 - 3rd-Party Certification: if you did not file a Casualty Loss Form, you may still request compensation for your loss. You will need to certify that the damage is at least 15% and provide certification of the damage by a third party. This certification form will be available at farmrecovery.com.

You can choose only one Timber funding request type per location.

Questions on Timber: Damage

For each destroyed or damaged parcel at this location:

- Forest Type
 - o Pine
 - o Hardwood
 - Mixed pine/hardwood
- Maturity
 - .5 years 15 years
 - 15 years to 30 years
 - 30 years +
- Total Acres in Parcel
- Total Damaged Acres in Parcel
- Fair Market Value as of 10/9/2018 (for Comprehensive funding requests only)
- Fair Market Value as of 10/11/2019 (for Comprehensive funding requests only)



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Required Documents for Timber

- IRS 4684 Casualty Loss Form that was filed with the IRS (for Comprehensive funding requests)
- Third-Party Certification of Damage file (for 3rd-Party Certification funding requests). Use the form GAFRBG-01, Third-Party Certification of Timber Damage, available at farmrecovery.com.
- 2018 Property Tax Assessment (same form uploaded in Locations section above)
- You can also provide other documents that you think would help GDA assess your application.



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Beef Losses

Questions on Beef: Status

Do you still produce or intend to produce Beef Cattle at this location?

Questions on Beef: Conception

- Breeding age females in herd as of October 10, 2018
- Conception rates as a percentage historical: October 9, 2017-October 9, 2018
- Conception rates as a percentage post-hurricane: October 10, 2018-October 10, 2019

Questions on Beef: Mortality

Breeding age females that died as a result of Hurricane Michael

Questions on Beef: Crop Insurance, NAP, and other USDA Programs

- Did you apply for assistance under the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)?
 - o If yes, you must upload the LIP application form.
- In 2018, were you eligible for Fed Cattle or Feeder Cattle Livestock Risk Protection Plan through USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) or an RMA approved Livestock agent?
- In 2018, did you have Fed Cattle or Feeder Cattle Livestock Risk Protection Plan through USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) or an RMA approved livestock agent?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.
- Were you eligible for Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
- Did you have a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.

Required Documents for Beef

- Certified Vet Statement of Conception Rates. Use the form GAFRBG-02, Veterinary Certification of Cattle Losses, available at farmrecovery.com.
- LIP Application (if you applied for LIP).
- Certified Vet Statement of Mortality Totals (if you had losses due to mortality but did not apply for LIP). Use the form GAFRBG-02, Veterinary Certification of Cattle Losses, available at farmrecovery.com.
- Any forms or documents associated with Federal Crop Insurance and/or NAP questions above.
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Dairy Losses

Questions on Dairy: Status

Do you still operate or intend to operate a dairy at this location?

Questions on Dairy: Conception

- Cows in milking herd as of October 10, 2018
- Breeding age heifers as of October 10, 2018
- Conception rates as a percentage historical: October 9, 2017-October 9, 2018
- Conception rates as a percentage post-hurricane: October 10, 2018-October 10, 2019

Questions on Dairy: Mortality

Cows in milking herd and breeding age heifers that died as a result of Hurricane Michael

Questions on Dairy: Disease

- Documented cases of mastitis month of September 2018
- Documented cases of mastitis month of October 2018

Questions on Dairy: Performance Loss

- Cows permanently removed from milking herd (culled cows) following October 10, 2018
- Total milk produced (in lbs.) historical: October 1, 2017 November 30, 2017
- Total milk produced (in lbs.) post-hurricane: October 1, 2018 November 30, 2018
- Average number of cows in milk historical: October 1, 2017 November 30, 2017
- Average number of cows in milk post-hurricane: October 1, 2018 November 30, 2018

Questions on Dairy: Crop Insurance, NAP, and Other USDA Programs

- Did you apply for assistance under the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 LIP application form.
- In 2018, were you eligible for Dairy Cattle Livestock Gross Margin Plan through USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) or an RMA approved Livestock agent?
- In 2018, did you have Dairy Cattle Livestock Gross Margin Plan through USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) or an RMA approved Livestock agent?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.
- Were you eligible for Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
- Did you have a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.



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Required Documents for Dairy

- Certified Vet Statement of Conception Rates. Use the form GAFRBG-02, Veterinary Certification of Cattle Losses, available at farmrecovery.com.
- LIP Application (if Applied for LIP is checked).
- Certified Vet Statement of Mortality Totals (if you had losses due to mortality but did not apply for LIP). Use the form GAFRBG-02, Veterinary Certification of Cattle Losses, available at farmrecovery.com.
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Poultry Losses

Questions on Poultry: Status

Do you still produce or intend to produce Poultry at this location?

Questions on Poultry: Destroyed Houses

For **each** destroyed house that was in production at the time of the storm:

- Square Footage
- Type of Production
 - o Broiler
 - Breeder
 - Pullet
- Insurance Receipts
- # Days without birds after 10/10/2018
- Were there birds in this house at the time of the storm?

Questions on Poultry: Damaged Houses

For **each** damaged house that was in production at the time of the storm:

- Square Footage
- Type of Production
 - o Broiler
 - o Breeder
 - Pullet
- Insurance Receipts
- # Days without birds after 10/10/2018
- Were there birds in this house at the time of the storm?

Questions on Poultry: Crop Insurance, NAP, and Other USDA Programs

- Were you eligible for Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
- Did you have a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
 - If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.

Required Documents for Poultry

- Insurance Receipts for all houses listed above.
- Any forms or documents associated with Federal Crop Insurance and/or NAP questions above.
- You can also provide other documents that you think would help GDA assess your application.



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Fruit & Vegetable Losses

Questions on Fruit & Vegetable: Status

Do you still produce or intend to produce Fruit & Vegetable at this location?

Questions on Fruit & Vegetable: Damage

For each damaged commodity at this location

- Commodity
- Plasticulture Acres Damaged
- Bare ground Acres Damaged

Questions on Fruit & Vegetable: Crop Insurance, NAP, and Other USDA Programs

- In 2018, were you eligible for federal crop insurance through USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) or an RMA approved insurance agent for this commodity?
- In 2018, did you have federal crop insurance through USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) or an RMA approved insurance agent for this commodity?
 - If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.
- Were you eligible for Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
- Did you have a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
 - If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.
- Were you eligible for Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) for this commodity in 2018?
- Did you have NAP coverage for this commodity in 2018?
 - If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.

Required Documents for Fruit & Vegetable

- Any forms or documents associated with Federal Crop Insurance and/or NAP questions above.
- You can also provide other documents that you think would help GDA assess your application.



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Pecan Losses

Questions on Pecan: Status

- Do you still produce or intend to produce Pecan at this location?
- Please check one
 - I am an owner/operator with 100% interest in the crop associated with this property
 - I am a landowner with a contract grower
 - I am a contract grower with a landowner
- If you are not an owner/operator with 100% interest:
 - o I have a
 - Crop-share arrangement with owner or grower
 - Cash rent arrangement with owner or grower

Questions on Pecan: Damage

- Total Number of Trees as of October 9, 2018
- Number of Trees Lost

Questions on Pecan: Crop Insurance, NAP, and Other USDA Programs

- Did you apply for assistance under the Tree Assistance Program (TAP)?
- In 2018, were you eligible for federal crop insurance for pecans or pecan trees through USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) or an RMA approved insurance agent for this commodity?
- In 2018, did you have federal crop insurance for pecans or pecan trees through USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) or an RMA approved insurance agent for this commodity?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.
- Were you eligible for Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
- Did you have a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan for 2018?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.
- Were you eligible for Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) for this commodity in 2018?
- Did you have NAP coverage for this commodity in 2018?

Required Documents for Pecan

- Any forms or documents associated with Federal Crop Insurance and/or NAP questions above.
- You can also provide other documents that you think would help GDA assess your application.



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Uninsured Infrastructure Losses

List the structures and irrigation systems at this location that were damaged or destroyed as a result of Hurricane Michael.

Please Note: Structures are only eligible if they were being used to store an agricultural commodity at the time of the storm, and irrigation systems are only eligible if they were covering a crop at the time of the storm. This section of the grant is open to all commodity groups and is not limited to Beef, Dairy, Fruit & Vegetable, Pecan, and Poultry.

Questions on General Infrastructure: Damage

For each damaged or destroyed structure at this location:

- Structure Type
 - Hay/Straw Barn
 - Heifer/Calf Barn
 - o Commodity Shed/Barn
 - o Pecan or Peanut Drying Shed/Barn
 - Free-stall Barn
 - Tobacco Barn
 - Tower Silo
 - o Grain Bin
 - Grain Elevator
 - Peanut Elevator
 - o Bunker Silo
 - Fruit & Vegetable Packing Shed
 - Greenhouse
 - Ground Cloth
 - High Tunnel
 - Hoop House
 - Other (describe)
- Commodity stored within this structure
- Commodity source
 - Grown by producer
 - Purchased
 - Combination grown and purchased
- Square footage
- Value
- Cost of repair & reconstruction
- Amount received from insurance
- Certify that the commodities stored in this structure sustained losses of 15% or higher



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Questions on General Infrastructure: Crop Insurance, NAP, and Other USDA Programs

For each structure listed - if you grew all or some of the commodities stored within this structure, answer the following questions:

- In 2018, were you eligible for federal crop insurance, a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan, or NAP coverage for the commodity damaged in this structure?
- In 2018, did you have federal crop insurance, a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan, or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage for the commodity damaged in this structure?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.

Questions on Irrigation: Damage

For each damaged or destroyed irrigation system at this location:

- Commodity under this system
- Linear feet damaged/destroyed
- Value of this system
- Cost of repairs/restoration
- Amount received from insurance
- I certify that the commodities under this system sustained losses of 15% or higher

Questions on Irrigation: Federal Assistance and Insurance

For each system listed:

- In 2018, were you eligible for federal crop insurance, a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan, or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage for the commodity grown under this irrigation system
- In 2018, did you have federal crop insurance, a Whole Farm Revenue Protection Plan, or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage for the commodity grown under this irrigation system?
 - o If yes, you must upload the 2018 policy.

Required Documents for General Infrastructure and Irrigation

- 2018 property tax assessment (same as requested in Locations section)
- Any forms or documents associated with Federal Crop Insurance and/or NAP questions above.
- You can also provide other documents that you think would help GDA assess your application.