



## 2018 BEEF CATTLE HANDLING & WEIGHING SYSTEMS INITIATIVE PROGRAM GUIDELINES

**Application Deadline:** October 31, 2018

### **Program Objective:**

Support the NB Cattle Sector to enhance livestock handling systems for increased animal welfare, increased staff safety, increased public trust and/or increased management efficiency through regular weighing of livestock.

### **Project Eligibility:**

1. Producers must be in Good Standing with the NB Cattle Producers; and,
2. Completed the Handling System Review and Upgrade Strategy Form (Attached); and,
3. One or more of the following:
  - a. Participating in 2018 Enhanced Beef Herd Health & Quality Initiative
  - b. Have attended a Verified Beef Program plus and/or Humane Handling Training Workshop or be a registered VBP+ operation
  - c. Have a signed Veterinarian affidavit confirming an on-site Veterinarian visit to develop a Herd Health Protocol and Handling System Review

### **Assistance Levels:**

Approved applicants will be eligible for financial assistance of 50% towards the purchase of animal handling facilities and/or weighing systems. The maximum assistance will be \$3,000 per farm. Due to limited funding only a limited number of handling facilities and/or weighing system projects can be approved. Project approval will be considered on a first come first served basis until funding has been exhausted.

### **Eligible Program Equipment Expenses:**

- Head gate
- Cattle squeeze
- Cattle alley gates/unit
- Crowding tub
- Scale
- Loading ramps

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### **Non-Eligible Program Expenses:**

- Labour Costs
- Site Preparation

### **Claim Process:**

Approved projects must complete and submit a claim form, supporting invoices and copies of paid receipts or cancelled cheques. Handling systems built on farm will need to submit pictures of completed system/unit along with material.

All claims, receipts and supporting documents must be remitted to the NBCP office on or later than **December 7, 2018** to retain eligibility.

### **Application Submission:**

**Please return the completed application form to NBCP by October 31, 2018 to by hard copy, email or fax to be considered for the program.**

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## 2018 Cattle Handling System Review and Upgrade Strategy Form

1. Farm Name:
2. Farm Contact Name:
3. Farm Contact Signature: Date:
4. Attending Veterinarian:
5. Veterinarian Signature: Date:
6. Date of Handling System Review:
7. Identify the Top 3-Challenges Identified for the current Handling System
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
8. What is the impact of these challenges on your ability to handling cattle safely, humanely or efficiently?
9. What upgrades to your handling system are you proposing through the program?
10. What will be the impact of the proposed handling system upgrades on your ability to handling cattle safely, humanely or efficiently?

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