

Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program (FRPP)

The Ohio Department of Agriculture and its Certified Local Sponsors partner with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) on many agricultural easements that are purchased through the Clean Ohio LAEPP. The FRPP provides matching funds to help purchase development rights to keep productive farm and ranch land in agricultural uses. Working through existing programs, USDA provides up to 50 percent of the fair market easement value of the agricultural easement.

If a farm is selected for Clean Ohio LAEPP funding, within the Notice of Selection it will outline that ODA or the Certified Local Sponsor may submit the landowner's application to the FRPP for partial reimbursement or matching dollars. If this occurs, the landowner will need to fulfill the FRPP program requirements. To review more information on the FRPP, including eligibility requirements and guidelines, visit the [FRPP Program's Ohio Website](#).