



## Don't miss your opportunity to learn about this new cost-share opportunity for Ontario Farmers

### *Upcoming virtual and in-person information sessions*

The Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA) is excited to be delivering the new On-Farm Climate Action Fund (OFCAF) to Ontario farmers. Program information will be made available on July 11, 2022, through OSCIA's website at [www.ontariosoilcrop.org](http://www.ontariosoilcrop.org), including an online program guide that outlines program eligibility and how and when to apply!

Under OFCAF, farmers can apply for cost-share to support best management practices (BMPs) that reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and increase carbon sequestration, investing in farms' soil health to improve long-term productivity, profitability, and sustainability. Specific BMPs that will be supported under the program include in-field nitrogen management, cover cropping practices, and establishing or expanding rotational grazing systems.

Cost-share funding is available at 65% of approved project costs. Eligible costs may be incurred starting from February 15, 2022, for implementation of new practices such as:

- Trying nitrogen stabilizers or in-field biological inoculants for the first time
- Leaving a cover crop over winter where it has always been terminated in the fall
- Setting up permanent perimeter and cross-fencing, to establish new rotational grazing systems

The online program guide will be released July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, but **farmers who are interested in learning more about the program are encouraged to participate in an upcoming Farmer Information Session**. Sessions will be delivered over the upcoming weeks both virtually and in-person across the province.

#### **VIRTUAL SESSIONS:**

Date	Time (ET)	Language	OSCIA Field Staff Contact	Email
Monday, July 11, 2022	7:00 PM	ENGLISH	Margaret May	<a href="mailto:mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org">mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Tuesday, July 12, 2022	12:00 PM	ENGLISH	Margaret May	<a href="mailto:mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org">mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Wednesday, July 13, 2022	7:00 PM	ENGLISH	Lois Sinclair	<a href="mailto:lsinclair@ontariosoilcrop.org">lsinclair@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Wednesday, July 20, 2022	12:00 PM	ENGLISH	Robin Brown	<a href="mailto:rbrown@ontariosoilcrop.org">rbrown@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Wednesday, July 20, 2022	7:00 PM	FRENCH	Claude Peloquin	<a href="mailto:cpeloquin@ontariosoilcrop.org">cpeloquin@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Thursday, July 21, 2022	1:00 PM	ENGLISH	Lois Sinclair	<a href="mailto:lsinclair@ontariosoilcrop.org">lsinclair@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Thursday, July 21, 2022	7:00 PM	ENGLISH	Claude Peloquin	<a href="mailto:cpeloquin@ontariosoilcrop.org">cpeloquin@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Monday, July 25, 2022	7:00 PM	ENGLISH	Robin Brown	<a href="mailto:rbrown@ontariosoilcrop.org">rbrown@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Wednesday, July 27, 2022	7:00 PM	ENGLISH	Colleen Acres	<a href="mailto:cacres@ontariosoilcrop.org">cacres@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>

To register for a virtual Information Session, email the OSCIA Field Staff for the appropriate session or email us at [OFCAF@ontariosoilcrop.org](mailto:OFCAF@ontariosoilcrop.org), to request the registration link. **You must register in advance to receive the link to join the session.**

OSCIA will also be offering some in-person sessions across the province.

**IN-PERSON SESSIONS:**

Date	Time (ET)	Location	Language	OSCIA Field Staff Contact	Email
Thursday, July 14, 2022	7:00 PM	Woodstock	ENGLISH	Margaret May	<a href="mailto:mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org">mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Friday, July 15, 2022	1:00 PM	Vineland Station	ENGLISH	Margaret May	<a href="mailto:mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org">mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Monday, July 18, 2022	7:00 PM	Ridgetown	ENGLISH	Margaret May	<a href="mailto:mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org">mmay@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Tuesday, July 19, 2022	1:00 PM	Mount Forest	ENGLISH	Lois Sinclair	<a href="mailto:lsinclair@ontariosoilcrop.org">lsinclair@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Tuesday, July 26, 2022	7:00 PM	Brodhagen	ENGLISH	Lois Sinclair	<a href="mailto:lsinclair@ontariosoilcrop.org">lsinclair@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>
Tuesday, July 26, 2022	2:00 PM	Avonmore	ENGLISH	Colleen Acres	<a href="mailto:cacres@ontariosoilcrop.org">cacres@ontariosoilcrop.org</a>

If you are interested in more information about an in-person session, please email the OSCIA Field Staff for that session.

Intake dates will be available in the online program guide. The first intake of the program will be in August. If you have any additional questions about OFCAF, contact us at [OFCAF@ontariosoilcrop.org](mailto:OFCAF@ontariosoilcrop.org).