



The Rodale Institute Farm Fund empowers southern farmers to implement regenerative practices and expand their marketing opportunities. These funds support farmers in increasing profitability and financial security, while creating a stable regenerative agricultural community in the south.

Farmer Eligibility

- Be an agricultural producer in one of the eligible states
- Possess an FSA farm number

Eligible States

- Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia

Project Highlights

- **\$17,474,437** in direct payments to farmers
- Assist **600** farmers in **13** states
- Technical Assistance will be provided by our staff as well as local Technical Service Providers (TSPs) from each state
- Education and outreach
 - Marketing events, field days, and workshops designed to help farmers expand marketing opportunities and learn from mentor farmers

Project Timeline

- Enrollment opens this summer, keep an eye out on rodalefarmfund.com!
- The project ends in **March 2028**

Any Questions?

Please email Logan Tweardy at Logan.Tweardy@rodaleinstitute.org



Funding Opportunity & Available Funds

Stacked Regenerative Practices Bonus **Total \$1,000/acre/year enrolled add-on for** **2+ practices**

- Incentivize farmers to implement multiple practices which will amplify the benefits of each.

Practice Implementation Assistance **Up to \$30,000/farm**

- Assist farmers in purchasing specialized equipment needed to implement their chosen NRCS conservation practices.

High Tunnel Grant **Up to \$30,000 (includes professional** **installation)**

- Pay for the purchase and installation of a new high tunnel.

Expanding Marketing Grants **Up to \$25,000**

- Help farmers access resources, training, and assistance to expand their market outlets, and promote commodities grown under conservation practices.

Organic Transition/Conservation **Production Plan Grants** **Up to \$25,000/farm**

- Assist farmers who are interested in transitioning to organic agriculture or increasing conservation production on their farms.

Regenerative Practices Incentives **\$2,500/acre/year enrolled**

- 10 acre maximum
- Pay farmers to implement NRCS conservation practices on their property.
 - Practices covered:
 - Cover Crop Code 340
 - Conservation Cover Code 327
 - Conservation Crop Rotation Code 328
 - Residue and Tillage Management No Till Code 329
 - Residue and Tillage Management Reduced Till Code 345
 - Mulching Code 484
 - Grazing Management Code 528
 - Pasture and Hay Planting Code 512
 - Nutrient Management Code 590

Well Installation and Irrigation **Systems Grants** **Up to \$30,000**

- Help farmers design water efficient irrigation plans and install irrigation wells on their property
 - Practices covered:
 - Irrigation Pipeline (430)
 - Irrigation System Surface and Subsurface (443)
 - Irrigation System Micro-irrigation (441)
 - Irrigation Water Management (449)
 - Irrigation Water Management Design (163)
 - Livestock Pipeline (516)
 - Pumping Plant (533)
 - Watering Facility (614)
 - Water Well (642)