



Jackson County

Agricultural Best Management Practice Program for the Protection of Jackson Blue Spring



The Northwest Florida Water Management District has cost-share funding available for projects to improve water quality and reduce water use demands in and around Jackson Blue Spring.

Eligible projects will increase efficiency in both irrigation and fertilizer use in Jackson County—the largest agricultural area in northwest Florida.

TOTAL BMP Cost-Share Funding Available - \$1,000,000

Participant Eligibility:

1. The project site must be located within the Jackson Blue Spring/Merritt's Mill Pond Groundwater Contribution Area.
2. The project site must be in regulatory compliance.
3. The producer must enroll in an applicable FDACS-adopted BMP program.

Candidate Selection Guidelines:

All eligible producers will be considered for cost-share with those who have not received funding previously having priority. Enrolling in the FDACS BMP program and having a mobile irrigation lab evaluation in advance will accelerate the process.



Eligible BMP Tools and Cost-Share Amounts:

Eligible BMP Tools:

Only purchases of new equipment or services will be eligible for cost-share payments.

- **Irrigation System Retrofits**
- **Control Panel Upgrades**
- **Pump Bowl Upgrades (switch from high to low pressure)**
- **End-Gun Shut-Off**
- **Remote Control of Center Pivot**
- **Fertigation Systems**
- **Guidance Systems**
- **Sensor Technology**
- **Variable Rate and Section Control Technology**
- **Banding and Side Dressing Fertilization Equipment**
- **Flow Meter or Automatic Shut-Off Device**

Amount for BMPs and Tools:

Up to 75% cost-share, with a maximum of \$56,250 cost-share reimbursement per producer.

For more information, please contact:

For Cost-Share Questions

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