



TAEP Producer Diversification Program Aquaculture Criteria

For Fiscal Year 2009 - 2010

Program Criteria:

- * This information is current as of **June 8, 2009** and is a supplement to the TAEP 2009 Application and Guidelines.
- **Producers** are eligible for 35% cost share up to a maximum of \$10,000 for qualified expenses.
- The proposed activity must encompass **quality expansion** or **improvement** of the applicant's business. Eligible categories include:
 - Farm Infrastructure
 - Specialty Equipment
 - Marketing

Competitive Projects – Aquaculture:

Priority is given to projects that are focused on improving or increasing production. Marketing projects are allowed but are not considered as competitive as those involving production.

Examples of Eligible Items:

- Aerators
- Brochures
- Harvesting equipment
- Ponds - *producing*
- Website development

Examples of Ineligible Items:

- Chemicals/
Pesticides
- Containers
- Electrical service
- Fish stock

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