2024-2025 PRO-AG Contribution Certification (C-5600)

Overview

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (PSC) encourages collaboration between applicants and contributing partners to enhance precision agriculture projects and maximize the impact of PRO-AG grant funding. While there is no matching funds requirement for PRO-AG grants, applications that include at least a 25% match will receive additional scoring consideration, with higher scores awarded for higher match percentages. Applicants committing to a minimum 25% match will be eligible for additional points based on the percentage of their match. Although contributions from partners or applicants are optional, any included contribution must be used exclusively for eligible project expenses and must be detailed in the project budget and narrative. **NOTE:** In-kind contributions are not allowable under this program.

For more information on allowable and disallowed costs, visit our website at <u>https://psc.nebraska.gov/precision-agriculture</u>. These guidelines are subject to periodic updates by Commission staff.

Certification of Contribution Requirements

If a match is being provided, applicants must provide proper documentation demonstrating any contribution toward the project. This can be done through either:

- 1. **Applicant Contribution Certification**: Certification from the applicant committing to provide a certain contribution for the project, or
- 2. **Partner Contribution Certification**: Certification from a contributing partner confirming their contribution to the project.

Contribution Certification Documentation Requirements

Applicants should provide adequate documentation of the contribution that demonstrates the community partnership, involvement, and overall support. This could include either a completed **PRO-AG Contribution Certification Form** (below) or a **Certification of Commitment Letter**.

If submitting a **Certification of Commitment Letter** from a contributing partner, the letter must:

- 1. Be on the partner's official letterhead.
- 2. Include the date of the letter.
- 3. Reference the Precision Agriculture Infrastructure Grant (PRO-AG) program.
- 4. Specify the name of the proposed project to which the contribution is committed.
- 5. Describe the partner's role, relationship to the applicant, and contribution to the project.
- 6. Detail the amount and source of the contribution (e.g., cash or in-kind).
- 7. Outline any conditions attached to the contribution.
- 8. Include the signature of the authorized individual representing the partner.

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Contribution Type:	
Name of Person/Entity Providing the Matching Funds (i.e. Contributor):	
Contributor Contact Person: (Last Name, First Name)	
Contributor Address: (Street Address, City, State, ZIP)	
Contributor E-mail Address:	
Contributor Phone Number:	
Applicant Name (if different from Contributor):	
Proposed Project Name:	
Describe any conditions attached to the contribution:	
Total Contribution Amount:	\$

Narrative: Include a narrative below describing the relationship between the contributor and applicant, and the contributor's role in the proposed project:

Certification Statement: I hereby certify that the contribution detailed above, either from the contributing partner or by the applicant, has been made or will be made within forty-five (45) days of the Nebraska Public Service Commission's approval of the PRO-AG application. All contributions will be allocated solely for allowable project expenses.

Authorized Individual Name (Print Name)

Authorized Individual Title

Signature

Date