

**APPLICATION  
CRANBERRY BOG TAX CREDIT PROGRAM  
CALENDAR TAX CREDIT YEAR  
**2024****

**Application Due Date: June 27, 2023**

Please be sure to review the *Massachusetts Cranberry Bog Tax Credit program/Rules and Instructions* for additional guidance, posted on the EEA website at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/cranberry-bog-renovation-tax-credit-program>

This is an application for a future project, where work will begin no sooner than July 1, 2023 and end no later than December 31, 2024. We recognize that the expenses and proposed work you provide here are planned, and that they are subject to change or even elimination. Please provide the best estimates you can for all components of the project. You may add, eliminate or modify those components at any time.

Please also note that by submitting this application, you are not obligated to carry it out. Plans and projects are always subject to change. We do ask that the application be submitted in good faith for an intended project, but you may decline the approval if need be and are under no further obligation.

### **Application Submission Instructions**

Applications are due by June 27, 2023. This application form is available at the EEA website and must be completed in its entirety. Once completed, the application form must be either emailed to [thomas.anderson@mass.gov](mailto:thomas.anderson@mass.gov) or a hard copy may be mailed or hand-delivered to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs. Applications that are sent by fax will NOT be accepted for consideration.

- Applications may be sent via either:
  - Email to: [thomas.anderson@mass.gov](mailto:thomas.anderson@mass.gov)
  - Hard Copy sent by Mail or Hand Delivered to:

**Cranberry Bog Tax Credit Program – DCS  
Attn. Tom Anderson  
Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs  
100 Cambridge St., 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Boston, MA 02114**

## 1. Agricultural Operation Information

Applicant Name:

Operation Name:

Legal Structure:

☐ Sole Proprietor ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ LLC ☐ S-Corp ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

Contact Person Info:

E-Mail:

Site Address

Site City, State, Zip

Acres of this  
renovation

Is the property rented or leased?

Who is the owner of the property?

What year does the lease end?

Do you have the lease in writing?

I am a cranberry grower as identified in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 128, Sec. 1A: ☐ Yes ☐ No

How many years have you been farming on this property?

## 2. Agricultural Operation Details

Acreage:

Owned

Leased

In Production

Please list if your operation grows any commodities in addition to cranberries:

Please list the percentage of your business that is based on cranberry production:

Please specify if your operation is located within drinking water protection zones?

## 3. Involvement with Other Programs

My operation has an agricultural preservation restriction (APR)

☐ Yes ☐ No

This project will be implemented on APR Restricted Land

☐ Yes ☐ No

This project will require a Certificate of Approval (COA) from the APR Program

☐ Yes ☐ No

Year the APR was recorded

Recording info book/page/doc#?

My operation has a written and updated conservation plan (or equivalent) within the last 5 years, from MACD/NRCS for the land where this project is proposed?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Year Conservation Plan was Created:

My operation has applied for financial assistance through an NRCS, MDAR or other funding program for this project?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, grant name and status:

#### 4. Bog name or ID

What is the ID or name of the bog being renovated.

#### 4A. Overview of Business:

Please provide a brief description of your current cranberry operation and your background in cranberry production.

**4B. Project Overview**

Please describe your proposed project including acreage to be renovated, general current production levels and long-term projected production levels by implementing these renovations.

**4C. Environmental Benefits:**

If your project has proposed environmental benefits, please describe them. For example, anticipated water conservation benefits, energy savings, reduction in fuel use, etc. Where possible please quantify these benefits (examples: water savings, greenhouse gas reductions, fuel use reductions).

**4D. Design and Installation:**

Please describe the design and installation of your proposed project. Note any traditional or innovative approaches planned to this bog renovation. Confirm if the project follows relevant UMass Cranberry Station Best Management Practice (BMP) guides or otherwise. If you have a design for the proposed project, please include it as an attachment or provide a project plan/map indicating where all the renovation work and structures will be installed.

**4E. Sustainability & Productivity**

Please describe how this project will improve agricultural productivity within your cranberry operation.

**4F. Maintenance**

Please describe how the project will be maintained for maximum longevity and functionally. Note any planned post-construction management.



**4G. Contingencies & Permits:**

Please list any state, local, or federal permits or approvals that will be necessary for you to implement this project and their status.

**4H. Timeline:**

Provide a detailed project schedule. Assuming successful funding, when do you expect to complete this project?

## 5. Qualified Renovation Expenditure Budget:

The Cranberry Bog Tax Credit Program will provide refundable tax credits to applicants for 25% of Qualified Renovation costs of up to \$400,00. That translates into a maximum tax credit of \$100,000 for \$400,000 in documented costs. Use the following table to provide a budget of the expected costs of this project. The breakdown of line items should roughly correspond to the invoices and receipts that will be submitted to document proof of payments. We recognize that this is a preliminary budget and that costs may be revised during implementation and construction. When revisions do occur, please forward that information to EEA.

A Qualified Renovation Expenditure means an expenditure or cost directly incurred in connection with a Qualified Renovation of a Cranberry Bog.

	Qualified Renovation/Description	Unit desc. (acres/feet/ volume?)	Total Number of Units	Cost/Unit	Total Cost
Total Project Costs:					\$ _____

## 6. Amount of Anticipated Tax Credit:

Please state what you anticipate will be your total CTCY Cranberry Bog Tax Credit for this application. Again, we recognize that this is an estimate and may be revised later.

(Anticipated) Total Cranberry Bog Tax Credit:

\$

## 7. Attestation:

By signing this application, you attest all statements herein are accurate and true. By signing this application, you give permission to have a site visit by EEA staff which may be necessary before a funding decision is made. All site visits will be arranged with you in advance.

Signature

Date

Print Name