

## **IAF NEWS**

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## **Livestock Waste Tissue Initiative Re-Opens for Applications**

**VICTORIA, BC – September 1, 2020:** With increasing focus on the safety and security of our local ag sector, IAF is proud to deliver funding to BC-based abattoirs and meat processors to assist with affordable options to legally dispose of animal tissue waste. \$500,000 is available through the Livestock Waste Tissue Initiative (LWTI), with successful applicants eligible for up to \$40,000 in cost-shared funding.

Starting on September 8<sup>th</sup>, IAF is accepting applications for projects designed to directly improve the accessibility and affordability of animal tissue waste disposal.

Initiated in 2005 with funding from the BC Ministry of Agriculture, LWTI was originally intended to deliver the BC Waste and Specified Risk Material Handling and Disposal Strategy.

"Over the years IAF has delivered funding to many LWTI projects which helped local agricultural communities develop viable waste disposal solutions," says IAF Executive Director, Michelle Koski. "Naturally we were eager to revive this important program, so we began working with industry and government earlier this year to identify how current sector needs align with the original framework."

Up to \$40,000 is available to eligible applicants on a competitive basis until September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020. For information on eligibility criteria or application details, please visit: <a href="https://iafbc.ca/livestock-waste-tissue-initiative/">https://iafbc.ca/livestock-waste-tissue-initiative/</a>

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