

Farm Resource Efficiency Programme

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Presentation Outline

- Introduction to the Farm Resource Efficiency Programme (FREP)
- Who can apply?
- Eligibility and programme priorities
- Other funding pots
- Renewable Energy Online Network
- Questions



Introduction to FREP

- Delivered by CO2Sense Yorkshire and managed by Yorkshire Forward
- To encourage farm investment in new technologies that reduce production costs
- £1,500 and £25,000 available at grant rate of up to 50% and 60%
- Last round of applications demonstrated an average saving of over £2,300 per annum

Introduction to FREP

- Delivered on a 'round' basis
- Round 7: due to open in August
- Application workshops
- Notification email list

Who Can Apply?

- **Agricultural and horticultural businesses** in Yorkshire and the Humber
- Agricultural contractors can apply for funding towards one piece of slurry application kit
- Businesses must have professionally prepared farm accounts

Eligibility

- Grant requested must not exceed 25% of turnover
- No more than 40% of the energy generated can be used in the farmstead
 - 1,000kWh generated, 600kWh used by the farm business, 400kWh used in the homestead = eligible
- Projects may also benefit a farm diversification enterprise where the income from the diversification is ancillary to the farming income

Programme Priorities

- ✓ Value for money
- ✓ Financial and environmental saving
- ✓ Location of the project
 - Upland areas (Less Favoured Areas)
 - Nitrate Vulnerable Zones (NVZs)
- ✓ Livestock sectors
- ✓ Purpose of the technology
 - Projects will score higher that aim to reduce costs to the business rather than generating diversified income

Eligible Technologies

- Renewable power
 - Heat capture units
 - Photovoltaics
 - Hydro-electric



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- Renewable heat
 - Heat exchange systems
 - Biomass boilers
 - Ground source heat pumps



Eligible Technologies

- Rainwater harvesting systems
 - Fixed pumps and connecting piping
 - UV filtration systems
 - Storage tanks



Eligible Technologies

- Manure management
 - Mechanical slurry separators
 - Slurry distribution kit for use with tankers/umbilical systems
 - Dribble bar
 - Trailing shoe
 - Injector units



Ineligible Technologies and Businesses

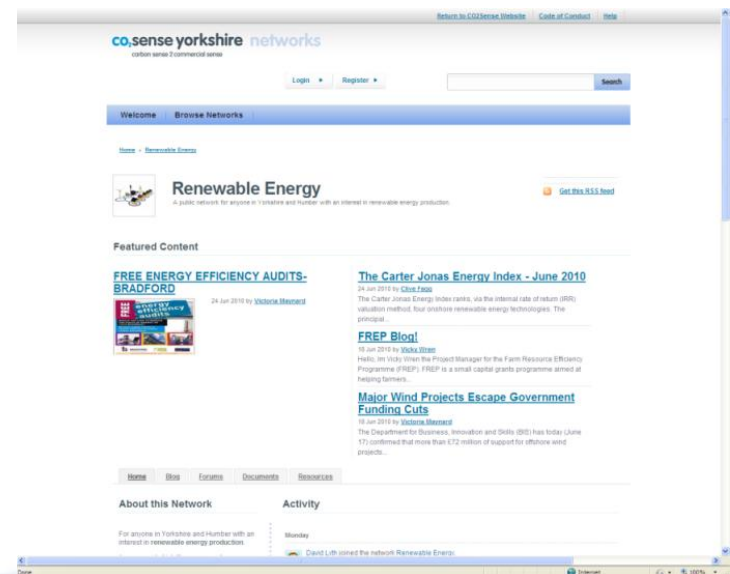
- Technologies/equipment
 - Slurry store roofs unless part of a rainwater harvesting scheme
 - Wind Turbines
 - Items deemed standard farm practice
 - Items required to comply with statutory regulations
 - General maintenance, repairs or replacements
- Businesses
 - Fish farms
 - Garden centres
 - Stables and livery
 - Small holdings

Other Funding Pots

- Renewable Energy Fund – delivered by CO2Sense
- Woodfuel Programme – delivered by CO2Sense
- Rural Enterprise Investment Programme – delivered by Yorkshire Forward
- Rural Business Support Programme – delivered by Business Link
- Landskills - delivered by Lantra
- Leader – delivered by Local Action Groups

Renewable Energy Online Network

- CO2Sense have created a 'networks' area on the website
- Create an online profile and use it to promote the work you and your organisation do
- Exchange knowledge and participate in discussions via the forums
- Join networks which match your business requirements
- Renewable Energy Network: current news and affairs
- www.co2sense.org.uk/networks



Any questions?

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