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Cleanfarms Selected as Agricultural Plastic Recycling Pilot Program Operator

The Agricultural Plastics Recycling Group (APRG) through Alberta Beef Producers (ABP) have selected Cleanfarms as the program operator for three- year pilot

The “**Alberta Ag- Plastic. Recycle it!**” program is underway with Cleanfarms selected as the program operator for the three-year pilot program to collect agricultural grain bags and twine for recycling within Alberta. Cleanfarms will be responsible for handling program logistics including the collection and transportation of agricultural plastics to be recycled. Cleanfarms will also conduct research on potential uses for other recycled agricultural plastics.

Cleanfarms is a Canadian non-profit organization with over 30 years of experience committed to environmental responsibility through proper management of agricultural packaging and product waste. Cleanfarms develops, implements and operates:

- Canada-wide programs that collect and recycle empty, single-use pesticide and fertilizer containers, and collect and safely manage unwanted pesticide and old livestock medications;
- seed and pesticide bag collection programs in eastern Canada with pilots in western Canada; and
- a regulated grain bag recycling program in Saskatchewan.

For more information about Cleanfarms and its projects, [click here](#).

The **APRG** is made up of over 20 stakeholder groups representing municipalities, agricultural producers, non-profits, recyclers, and retailers, including the RMA. The RMA helped select Cleanfarms as the program operator through an expression of interest process and will be involved in selecting collection sites.

The first phase of the project is to establish up to 20 collection sites across the province that will be operational by fall 2019. To apply to be considered as a collection site, click [here](#). More information regarding the site selection process will be released from Cleanfarms in the following weeks, as well as an in-person information session for collection sites, which is being scheduled for the last week in June.

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