

STAKEHOLDER ANNOUNCEMENT

USDA will Begin Accepting Applications for the Rural Energy for America Program on October 1, 2025

WASHINGTON, July 15, 2025 – U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Deputy Under Secretary Todd Lindsay today announced that USDA will be opening the first grant application window for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 for the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) on October 1, 2025. USDA is using the remaining time in FY25 to implement the Secretary’s direction to disincentivize solar panels on productive farmland for future application windows.

USDA appreciates your continued support and interest in the Rural Energy for America Program. For any further inquiries regarding this announcement please contact your [State Energy Coordinator](#).

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