



KITSAP FOOD CHAIN ENERGY AUDIT APPLICATION

BACKGROUND

The Kitsap Food Chain Program was created to educate members of the local food chain about energy efficiency opportunities in their operations and assist them in making energy efficiency improvements to existing facilities or equipment. This program is funded by Kitsap County through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

If you are a farmer, processor, distributor or other Kitsap County based member of the food chain system, you can apply for a **FREE** energy assessment or audit!

Kitsap County has contracted with trained staff from EnSave to review existing operations, equipment and energy bills and suggest specific cost-effective, energy efficient improvements to reduce your operational costs and enhance the efficiency of any planned expansions. You may then choose to pursue opportunities for implementing energy efficient equipment or improving pre-existing structures and equipment.

Approximately 10 members of the Kitsap County food chain will be selected to receive an energy audit between the Fall of 2011 and Spring of 2012. Audits will be scheduled based on the completion of this application and return of a waiver form. The audit that each food chain member receives is valued at \$500-\$10,000. All applicants are not guaranteed to receive an audit. Audit acceptance (scheduling) is conditional upon the acceptance of the applicant to the terms of use to be negotiated at the time of acceptance.

Sign up for your energy audit and you could get help paying for your energy upgrades!

Kitsap County will offer a one-time grant round in the Spring of 2012 to help energy audit recipients implement recommended energy upgrades. More information on the grant program will be provided in the coming months.

Submit your application today!

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Be sure to answer each question completely, including information on energy costs and providers.
- 2) Please call Autumn Salamack at 360-337-5670 with questions.

Please return all applications to:

MAIL: Kitsap County Commissioner's Office, ATTN: Autumn Salamack, 614 Division Street, MS-4, Port Orchard, WA 98366

E-MAIL: asalamack@co.kitsap.wa.us

Qualifying Food Chain Organizations:

- Producers: livestock, crop, nurseries
- Processors: commercial kitchens, breweries, wineries
- Distributors: restaurants, farmers markets, stores
- Access: food banks, schools
- Waste: composting, recycling



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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Business Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Facility Type _____

Farm Type (if applicable) _____

Commodities Produced (if applicable) _____

Energy Consuming Equipment _____

Total Annual Energy Cost \$ _____

Electricity \$ _____

Propane/Natural Gas \$ _____

Electricity Provider _____

Propane/Natural Gas Provider _____

1) Why are you interested in having an energy audit conducted at your facility?

2) List and describe the types of agricultural structures on your farm. (i.e. curing structures, livestock housing, greenhouses, etc.). For non-farmers, please describe the buildings and structures associated with your operations.

3) By your estimation, which part of your operation consumes the most energy (excluding field equipment)?
What energy improvements (if any) do you already have in mind for your business operation?

4) Would you be able to provide one year of energy bills for analysis during the audit? *
YES _____ NO _____

5) Do you plan to participate in the USDA REAP grant program? YES _____ NO _____

6) Use the scale below to tell us how much you agree with the following statements.

Total Agreement 1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----6-----7 No Agreement

1. _____ I place a high value on saving energy.
2. _____ I am currently doing all that I can to reduce my energy use.
3. _____ I would apply for a grant to make energy improvements as a result of this energy audit.
4. _____ I am aware that USDA has grants and loan guarantees available to farmers to make energy improvements.
5. _____ My level of energy use reduces my profitability substantially.
6. _____ With proper planning I can make my operation more energy efficient.
7. _____ If I could save money on my energy bill, I would use that money to improve other areas on my farm.

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You will need your PSE account number in order to sign up.*