

STAKEHOLDER ANNOUNCEMENT

USDA to Hold Webinars on Changes to Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) Following Passage of the Inflation Reduction Act

REAP helps farmers, ranchers and rural businesses invest in renewable energy systems and energy-efficiency projects

WASHINGTON, March 27, 2023 – U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Under Secretary Xochitl Torres Small today announced two virtual events that will provide updates on funding available under the <u>Rural Energy for America Program</u> (REAP) after the passage of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA).

The webinars will be held over Zoom and will be led by USDA staff at the following dates and times:

- IRA REAP Stakeholder Call: Investing in America
 March 31, 2023, at 2:30 p.m. ET
 To register, visit https://www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_KlnR1nb7Qk2NFcX4uz2vLQ
- IRA REAP Training Webinar: Investing in America
 April 4, 2023, at 2:30 p.m. ET
 To register, visit https://www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN KtbHId7hTCiTqIPKApTCQQ.

In August 2022, Congress passed the IRA, the Biden-Harris Administration's historic legislative package to reduce energy costs for families and create thousands of good-paying jobs for people across rural America.

REAP funds may be used to help agricultural producers and rural small businesses install renewable energy systems or to make energy-efficiency improvements.

For more information about the Inflation Reduction Act, visit https://www.rd.usda.gov/inflation-reduction-act.

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