

CFGa set to become climate change leader

CFGa General Manager Cedric MacLeod says the first phase is to develop an approved greenhouse gas quantification protocol for the Canadian forage sector.

"The protocol will be flexible enough to incorporate all climate zones in Canada where forages can be reasonably produced," MacLeod says. "This will expand and compliment the existing work by Canadian researchers related to best management practices, forage and soil sequestration potential, both at the university research level and through Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada."



Fredericton MP Matt DeCoursey

The second phase is to field test the approved protocol with forage producers across Canada. MacLeod says the test phase will gauge sector-wide opportunities for enhancing carbon sequestration and the potential to create carbon offset credits for Canadian grassland managers. Outstanding gaps will be identified, as well as challenges in protocol implementation and record management.

Funding for the program comes from the federal Agricultural Greenhouse Gas Program.

Josh Lamont

Meet the CFGa AGGP Project Leader



The CFGa would like to announce that Josh Lamont is the project lead for the Agricultural Greenhouse Gas Program (AGGP) which was launched this week in Fredericton, N.B.

Lamont graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of New Brunswick in 2008 then worked for the Atlantic Dairy and Forage Institute (ADFI) until 2015. During his employment with ADFI, he served in the positions of project officer, project manager and general manager. His primary role was to assist Atlantic Canadian dairy producers to become more profitable through numerous research and extension programs. Some of the projects related to Greenhouse Gas Mitigation that he helped develop and lead were the "Certification of a Greenhouse Gas Protocol and Calculator for the Canadian Dairy Industry" and the "Dairy Greenhouse Gas Pilot Project on New Brunswick and Alberta Dairy Farms."

Currently, Lamont manages several projects for a variety of organizations, including the Canada Forage and Grassland Association, the New Brunswick Community College and BIDS - Tendering Publications Ltd. His work allows him to continue to support agriculture and other business sectors within New Brunswick by providing enhanced learning opportunities and increased research knowledge; and creating industry partnerships and opportunities.