

Hello,

We would like to send you a few updates regarding COVID-19 and ask you to share this information in your networks. Please continue to consult the [AAFC website](#) regularly for updates.

1. \$100-million top-up for the Emergency Food Security Fund

On August 4, 2021, the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, the Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, along with the Member of Parliament for Sherbrooke, Élisabeth Brière, [announced](#) a \$100-million top-up for the Emergency Food Security Fund.

This additional investment will provide more support for food banks and local food organizations, who are coping with higher demand and fewer resources.

2. Government of Canada announces \$100 million in AgriRecovery funding to further support farmers facing continued extreme weather

On August 6, 2021, the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, the Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, [announced](#) that the Government of Canada is making available \$100 million through the AgriRecovery Framework to address the immediate extraordinary costs faced by producers due to the drought and wildfires. This funding is designed to match all provincial AgriRecovery submissions on the 60-40 cost-shared basis outlined under the Canadian Agricultural Partnership. By making funding available now, producers can be assured that they will receive assistance as soon as full assessments are completed.

The Government of Canada is working around the clock to help the governments of Manitoba, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia complete the assessments of the disaster and examine how AgriRecovery can help respond. Once these assessments are completed, the Government of Canada will expedite work to finalize an agreement with each province on support programs. The Government of Canada is open to submissions that include direct assistance to livestock producers for added costs of obtaining livestock feed, transportation and water.

3. Information on Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) from the Public Health Agency of Canada

There are a number of updated resources available on the Public Health Agency of Canada website for the public including an **Outbreak Update** and the **COVID-19 Virtual Assistant: [Coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\)](#)**. Your organization may also be interested in:

• **General information:**

- **UPDATED!** [Vaccines for COVID-19](#)
- **UPDATED!** [Vaccines for children: COVID-19](#)
- **UPDATED!** [Reported side effects following COVID-19 vaccination in Canada](#)
- **UPDATED!** [Recommendations on the use of COVID-19 vaccines](#)
- **UPDATED!** [COVID-19 in Canada: Epidemiology and Modelling \(July 30, 2021\)](#)
- **UPDATED!** [Medical device shortages: List of shortages](#)
- [COVID-19: Life after vaccination](#)
- [Animals and COVID-19](#)
- [Vaccinated against COVID-19? Here's what happens next](#)
- [Vaccine distribution](#)
- [Health product advertising incidents related to COVID-19](#)

- **Coronavirus disease (COVID-19): [Travel restrictions, exemptions and advice](#)**
 - **UPDATED!** [Crossing the border or transiting through Canada](#)
 - **UPDATED!** [COVID-19: Entering Canada requirements checklist](#)
 - **UPDATED!** [COVID-19 testing for travellers](#)
 - **UPDATED!** [Assistance with COVID-19 travel restrictions and requirements](#)
 - **UPDATED!** [ArriveCAN privacy notice](#)
 - [COVID-19 mandatory hotel stopover: Plan and book](#)

- **Coronavirus disease (COVID-19): [Awareness resources](#)**
 - **NOTICE!** [Regulatory requirements for UV light-emitting products with COVID-19 claims](#)
 - **NOTICE!** [Prescription Drug List \(PDL\): Sotrovimab \(COVID-19\)](#)
 - [Vaccine Community Innovation Challenge](#)

For any questions: phac.hpoc.stakeholders-partiesprenantes.cops.aspc@canada.ca

Reminder: Next AAFC COVID-19 stakeholder call will be held Wednesday August 25th at noon EST.

We encourage you strongly to share your comments and questions in writing through the AAFC Roundtable account (aafc.roundtable-table ronde.aac@agr.gc.ca).

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