Farm Financing Options Guide

A guide to the main ways to finance a farm start-up or expansion. It explains how to compare lenders, programs, and personal funds before applying.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. List what you need to finance
2. Gather personal and farm financial records
3. Check FSA loan programs
4. Ask Farm Credit and local banks
5. Look at SBA small business options
6. Compare terms and total cost
7. Ask about required collateral
8. Prepare questions for each lender

YOUR NOTES

TIP Apply with more than one lender so you can compare real offers, not guesses.