

Oct 20, 2020

2020 Soil Nutrient Assessment (SNA):

The criteria below apply for SNA conducted in the fall of 2020.

General Criteria for 2020 SNA

- For producers in EFP program (currently working on or with up to date EFP)
- BC Dairy Association members*
- SNA will provide a rebate for soil sampling that was carried out from August 20 to Nov 30 of 2020
- Producer may only apply once during 2020 for the rebate
- Complete applications must be received by Dec 30, 2020

** **Note for dairy farmers:** a current EFP **and** soil testing every three years (or more frequently if required by provincial regulations) will be a requirement of proAction® as of September 2021.*

What can be included as part of the SNA?

- For each field (or sampling location):
 - \$50 for nitrate and fertility analysis of the top 0-15 cm of soil
 - \$30 for nitrate analysis of a deeper soil sample (see [sampling guidelines](#) for depth and timing recommendations)
- Up to 13 fields (maximum rebate of \$1040 per farm)

What must be submitted to the Program to claim payment for SNA?

- Producer sign off that the analytical results are from soil samples taken according to the BC Ministry of Agriculture soil sampling guidelines
- Analytical results from the laboratory which include dates that fall August 20 to Nov 30 of 2020, and invoice for soil sampling analysis or service.
- Invoice or proof of payment for soil sample related costs
- For each result, a report must include main crop from 2020 and the date of sample collection (information collected via the reimbursement form)

Who can take the soil samples?

- No restriction, submission must include acknowledgement of AGRI soil sampling guidelines

Confidentiality and intent

- ARDCorp will not share any information that can identify an individual producer or operation with the Ministry or any other Third Party without that person's written consent
- Anonymized soil reports will be provided to the Ministry of Agriculture and aggregated data will be published and available for public use