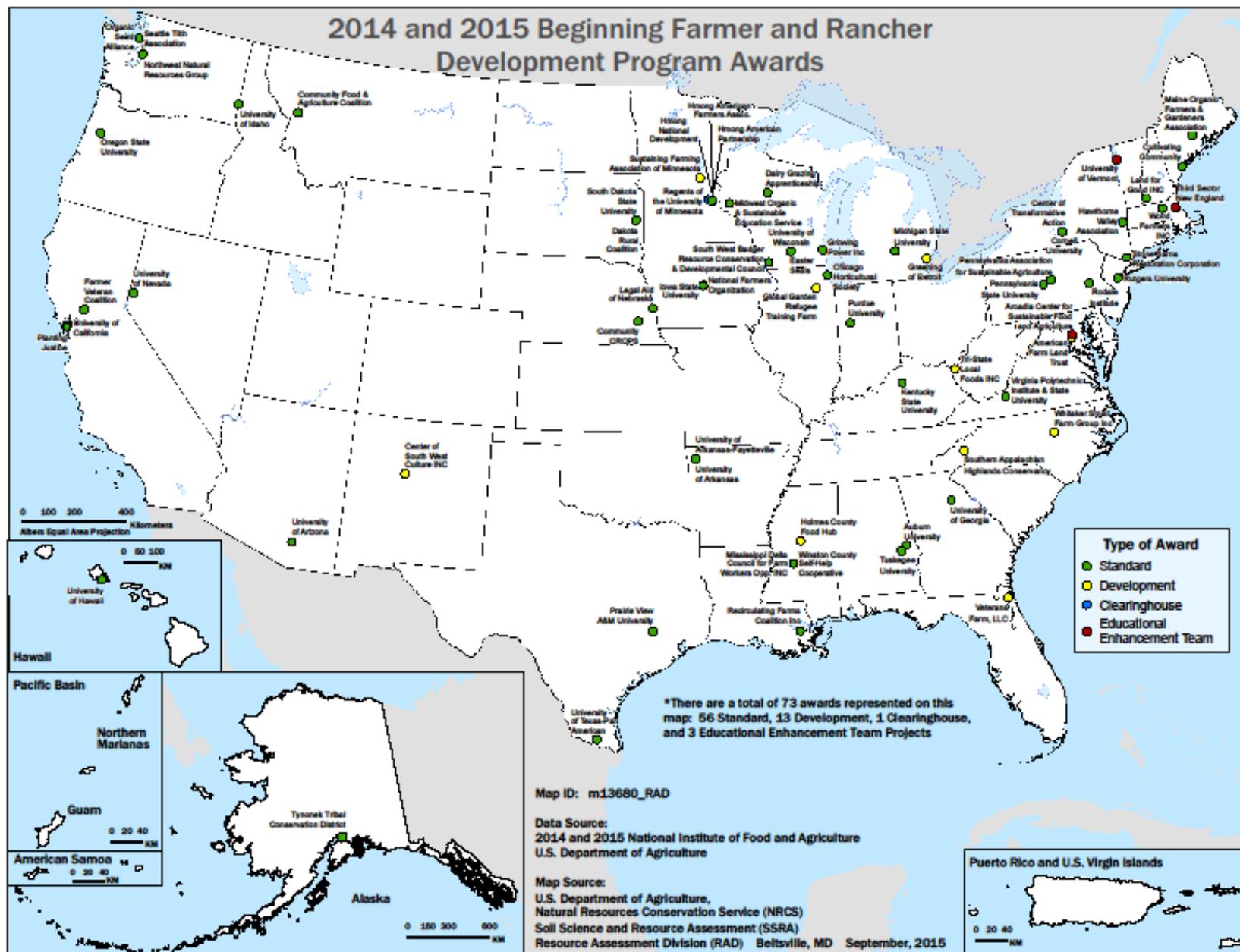
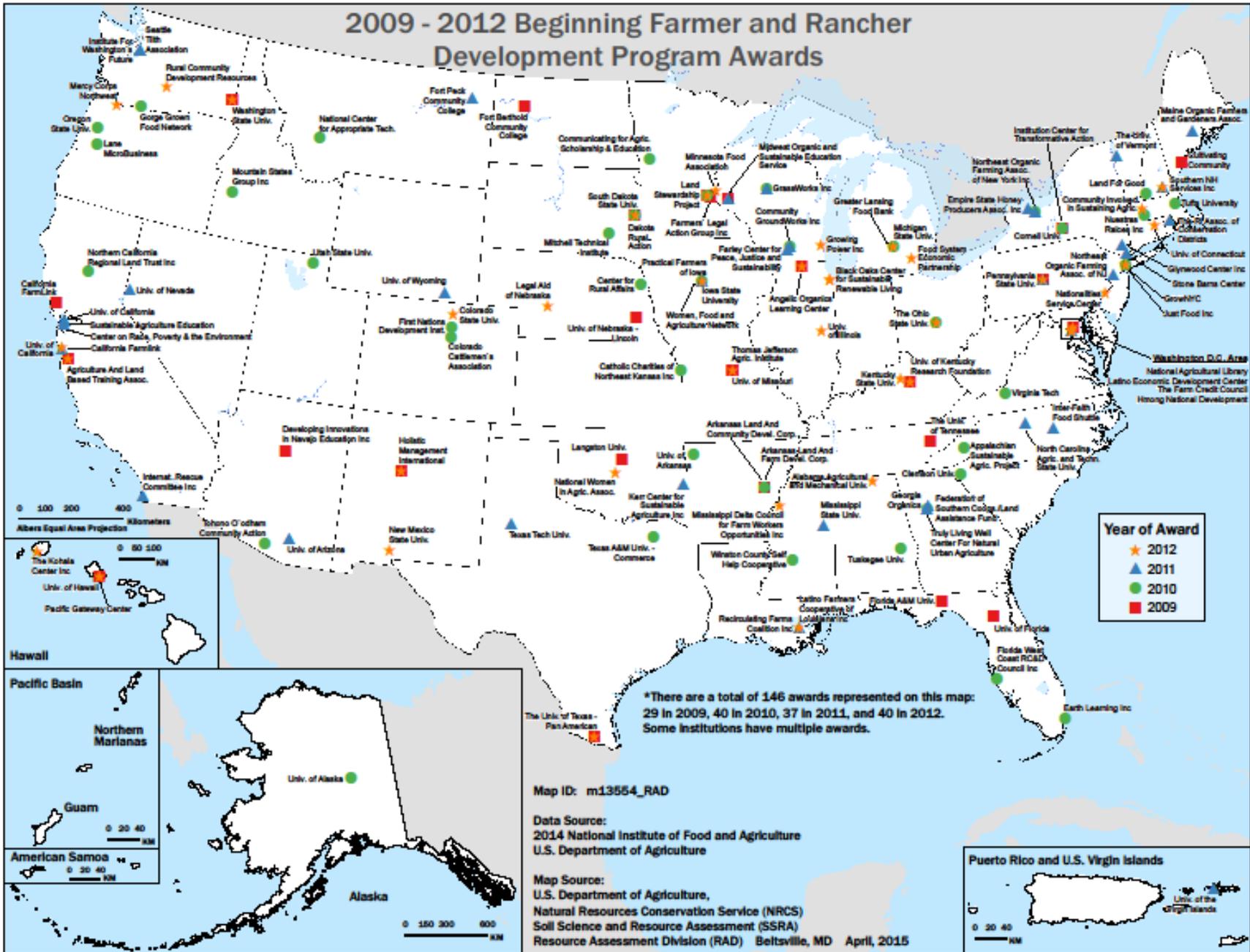


Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program Funded Projects: Current (funded 2014-15) & past (funded 2009-2012)



# 2009 - 2012 Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program Awards



## How to find Summaries and Reports of Projects funded by the Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program

1. For all projects funded from 2009 to 2015 (219 projects), click on “**Read the Abstract**” at: [nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/beginning-farmer-and-rancher-development-program-bfrdp](http://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/beginning-farmer-and-rancher-development-program-bfrdp). The more recent projects are closer to the top of the list. On that list, you can click on “**Brief**” or “**Full**” in the right-hand column by each project to see its summary (new projects) or report (projects a year or more old).
2. For a subset of projects, do a search at <http://cris.nifa.usda.gov>
  - a. Select “**Assisted Search**” in the menu on the left-hand side. Then, on the CRIS Assisted Search page, enter “**BFR\***” (without the quotes, but with the asterisk) in the box labeled: “**Grant No.**” and then enter other terms to narrow your search, for example:
    - i. Enter a **state name** (spelled out) in the box labeled “**State/Country**” to retrieve projects for a single state, and/or
    - ii. Enter term(s) for a topic into the “**Fulltext Terms**” box(es), e.g. for a particular audience (veteran, Hmong, dairy, etc.) and/or educational approach (apprenticeship, incubator, mentor\*, etc.) where the asterisk is a wildcard. That is, mentor\* will capture projects that include any of the terms mentor, mentors, mentored, mentoring, or mentorship.
  - b. Click on “**Search**” to see the number of records retrieved, then click on “**Display Results**” to see the list of projects
  - c. From the list of projects, click on “**More**” in the right-hand column to see the summary or report for that projects
3. To narrow a search of a subset of projects to current projects (those funded in 2014 and 2015), replace “**BFR\***” in 2.a. above with “**\*70017\***” (including both asterisks but not the quotes)
4. To narrow a search of a subset of projects to past projects (those funded in 2009-2012), replace “**BFR\***” in 2.a. above with “**\*49400\***” (including both asterisks but not the quotes)

## How to Find Curricula, Products, and Other Resources for New Farmer/Rancher Educational Programs

- The **Digital Library** of the BFRDP clearinghouse, [FarmAnswers.org](http://FarmAnswers.org), has over 2,100 items: publications, videos, apps, on-line courses, and more. You can browse or filter by topic, material type, production system, publication date, location, or commodity.
- The **Producer Programs** section of [FarmAnswers.org](http://FarmAnswers.org) has more than 300 producer programs, which you can filter by topic, audience, or delivery area.
- The **USDA New Farmer web tool** at [usda.gov/newfarmers](http://usda.gov/newfarmers) is a comprehensive resource for new and beginning farmers and ranchers. The new site is simple to use and designed to make folks’ first interaction with USDA and government a positive one. The site features advice and guidance on everything a new farm business owner will need to know, from writing a business plan, to obtaining a loan to grow their business, to filing taxes as a new small business owner, to obtaining affordable healthcare for themselves and their employees. By answering a series of questions about their operation, farmers can use the site’s Discovery Tool to build a personalized set of recommendations of USDA programs and services that may meet their needs.