

December 2023

Upcoming Deadlines & Events

Dec 25-26 Christmas holiday – office closed Jan 1 – DANR State Revolving Fund apps due Jan 1 – New Year's holiday – office closed Jan 15 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day – office closed Jan 31 – DIII Annual committee meeting – Mitchell Feb 1 – State Water Plan apps due

SAM Registrations

Reminder!

Meat & Poultry Processor Loans are still available with great terms!

- 3% Interest rate
- 5-20 year terms
- 1% origination fee

Call Teresa or Lori for more details

Any local government entity or business receiving federal funding in the form of a grant or loan is required to register with SAM (System for Awards Management). There is never any cost to register in SAM but there are private companies that would have you believe otherwise. Please do not pay for this service – assistance is available through District III.

Call Jen or Fred for help!

FYI!

As of December 1st, District III submitted FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan updates for the following counties: Tripp, Lyman, Gregory, Hutchinson, Jerauld & Charles Mix. In addition, we assisted the City of Parkston, Charles Mix County, Sanborn County and Aurora County with applications to FEMA for Hazard Mitigation Grants.

Please contact John with any FEMA questions

MinKota Regional Food Business Center

USDA recently funded 12 Regional Food Business Centers with a purpose to create a more resilient food system by creating opportunities for local food producers, processors, aggregators, and distributors. District III is a partner in the MinKota Center (Minnesota, North Dakota & South Dakota). The staff has been busy conducting surveys to gain a better understanding of the local food value chain in South Dakota, particularly our region. The next step will be the development of our Action Plan. Once complete, it will be posted on our website (www.districtiii.org) for your review. Ultimately, District III will serve the region through technical assistance and investment opportunities to build capacity. It will provide coordination, networking and peer-to-peer sharing and assist food producers and food & farm businesses in the middle of the supply chain in identifying and navigating third party financial assistance. Please continue to watch for further updates.