

57 (c) "COVID-19 emergency" means the spread of COVID-19 that the World Health
58 Organization declared a pandemic on March 11, 2020.

59 (d) "Program" means the COVID-19 Agricultural Operations Grant Program
60 established in Subsection (2).

61 (2) The commission shall establish and administer a COVID-19 Agricultural
62 Operations Grant Program to ensure in this state the continuation of food ~~§~~ and fiber ~~←§~~
production,

62a the
63 maintenance of ~~§~~ [food] product ~~←§~~ supply chains, and the ability to get ~~§~~ [food] ~~←§~~
products to

63a market during and
64 immediately following the COVID-19 emergency.

65 (3) (a) Under the program, the commission may make a grant:

66 (i) to an agricultural operation that:

67 (A) on or after March 1, 2020, but on or before December 30, 2020, is financially
68 harmed as a result of federal, state, or local public health measures taken to minimize the
69 public's exposure to COVID-19; and

70 (B) does not receive funds from the COVID-19 Commercial Rental Assistance
71 Program established in Title 63N, Chapter 14, COVID-19 Commercial Rental Assistance
72 Program;

73 (ii) for the purpose of assisting an agricultural operation with the financial harm
74 described in Subsection (3)(a)(i), including measures to continue food ~~§~~ and fiber ~~←§~~
production in

74a the state,
75 maintain the agricultural operation's supply chains, or deliver the agricultural operation's
76 product to market; and

77 (iii) in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

78 (b) The commission may utilize the board appointed in Section 4-18-106 to:

79 (i) oversee the award process for grants, as described in this section; and

80 (ii) approve grants.

81 (4) (a) Upon application for a grant described in this section, an agricultural operation
82 shall disclose whether the agricultural operation has received or applied for funds from the
83 Paycheck Protection Program described in the CARES Act.

84 (b) An agricultural operation that receives funds between February 15, 2020, and June
85 30, 2020, from the Paycheck Protection Program described in the CARES Act, is only eligible
86 to receive a grant under this section in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

87 (c) An agricultural operation described in Subsection (4)(b) that receives more than the