The following are reminders of government-funded financial supports currently available to some or all edible horticulture crops.

## 1. Advanced Payment Program (administered in Ontario by the <u>Agricultural Credit Corporation</u> or ACC)

The <u>Advanced Payments Program</u> (APP) provides farms growing certain commodities with dedicated access to affordable credit through cash advances of up to \$1 million based on the expected value of their agricultural product, of which the first \$100,000 in each crop year is interest free.

To find out if your fruit or vegetable crops are eligible for the APP loan program, refer to pages 1 & 2 of <u>ACC's product & rate sheet</u> for the 2022 crop season (also attached as a pdf for reference).

Some fruit and vegetable crops may be eligible for the Commodity Loan Program which is also administered by ACC. Refer to page 18 of <u>ACC's product & rate sheet</u> for a list of eligible crops in the Commodity Loan Program.

A comparison of program features and terms for the Advanced Payments Program and the Commodity Loan Program can be found <u>here</u>. Growers are encouraged to contact the ACC at 1-888-278-8807 or by email at <u>advance@agcreditcorp.ca</u> to explore suitable loan options for commodities you grow.

## 2. AgriStability (Administered by Agricorp) – Enrolment extension until June 30

The window to enrol in AgriStability for 2022 is extended and still open for growers. Applications and fee payment can be submitted to Agricorp until June 30, 2022. The extension gives new and existing AgriStability customers more time and flexibility to assess evolving risks and consider how AgriStability can help manage those risks.

Read more from Agricorp here: Farmers now have until June 30 to secure AgriStability coverage.

Growers are encouraged to refer to Agricorp's <u>info sheet</u> on how enhancements to AgriStability over the past two years may have improved the support available to your farm under the program.

Growers can contact Agricorp at 1-888-247-4999 or <u>contact@agricorp.com</u> to receive assistance with enrolling in the program.