

What is the IMCP Designation?

The Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership (IMCP) Designation will be granted by the U.S. Economic Development Administration to 12 regions across the country to help accelerate the resurgence of manufacturing. Designated communities will receive the coordinated support of fourteen federal agencies and preferential consideration for \$1.3 billion in existing federal funding opportunities.

The Central Valley AgPlus Food and Beverage Manufacturing Consortium:

California is the largest agricultural economy in the U.S. and among the top ten globally. The Central Valley – 28 counties located in California's heartland – plays a dominant role in this economy as America's Farm to Fork Capital.

The Consortium's **Goal** is to advance the region's agriculture-related manufacturing economy, transforming raw goods into value-added products.

Its **Mission** is to catalyze the growth and creation of food and beverage manufacturing businesses and middle-skills jobs in the Central Valley, one of the most economically distressed regions in the country. Innovative technologies that improve use of water and energy, reduce waste and improve food safety are being incubated in the Valley. They will drive increased productivity and contribute to solving global resource challenges, including California's severe drought.

Consortium members are currently investing nearly **\$150 million** in the AgPlus ecosystem, with implementation commitments of **\$5,987,900**.

California's Central Valley – Key Facts:

The region is an economic powerhouse, but accelerating the growth of food and beverage manufacturing will bring the region added economic opportunity and competitive advantage while strengthening state and national economies.

- Farm gate value of \$40.7 billion (2013) 68% of California's total, greater than 19 U.S. States combined
- \$11 billion in agricultural exports (2011)
- More than 1,650 AgPlus food and beverage manufacturing establishments, with 67,800 jobs
- \$43.2 billion in total Central Valley food and beverage manufacturing output
- Share of California's food and beverage manufacturing output at 40%, compared to its 68% share of farm gate value, indicates large leakage of value-added outside of the region
- Unemployment rate of 9.4% compared to 5.5% for the U.S. – 322,000 unemployed Central Valley residents (February 2015)
- Nearly 52,000 projected job openings between now and 2022 in manufacturing occupations
- Assets include UC Davis, the top-ranked university in the world for agriculture and top in the nation for agricultural and food sciences

<u>The AgPlus Implementation Strategy:</u> The Implementation Strategy is a set of eight integrated strategies and proposed catalytic public and private investments across the manufacturing ecosystem.

- 1. K-12 Food and Beverage Manufacturing Career Pathways
- 2. Community College-Industry Curriculum and Training Alignment
- 3. Supplier Network Mapping and Match-Making
- 4. Central Valley AgPlus University Research Partnership

- 5. Central Valley Innovation Hub (iHub) Network
- 6. Rural-Urban Connections Strategy (RUCS) Planning and Business Tools
- 7. Central Valley Export Training Program
- 8. Regional Finance Fund

IMCP AgPlus Co-Applicants:

- Office of Community and Economic Development, California State University, Fresno and lead Co-Applicant
- Center for Economic Development, California State University, Chico
- Tuolumne County Economic Development Authority, on behalf of the Central Sierra Economic Development District
- Valley Vision, a 501 (c)3 serving the Sacramento Region

AgPlus Consortium Members and Supporters:

There are **27 Consortium members** and **22 supporting organizations** which are Consortium partners.

Consortium Members:

- 1. California State University, Fresno
- 2. California State University, Chico
- 3. Tuolumne County Economic Development Authority
- 4. Valley Vision
- 5. University of California, Davis
- 6. AgTech Innovation Fund
- 7. CalAsian Pacific Chamber of Commerce
- 8. Center for Land-Based Learning
- 9. Central/Mother Lode Regional Consortium
- 10. City of Avenal
- 11. City of Davis
- 12. City of Fresno
- 13. City of Sacramento
- 14. City of Winters
- 15. CSU Fresno Water, Energy, and Technology Center
- 16. Davis Chamber of Commerce
- 17. Fresno Community Development Financial Institution
- 18. JBT FoodTech
- 19. Los Rios Community College District
- 20. NextEd
- 21. Northern California World Trade Center
- 22. PackageOne, Inc.
- 23. Sacramento Area Council of Governments
- 24. Sacramento Employment and Training Agency
- 25. Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce
- 26. Solano Economic Development Corporation
- 27. UC Merced Small Business Development Center

Consortium Partners:

- 1. Office of Congresswoman Doris Matsui (D-6)
- 2. Office of Congressman John Garamendi (D-3)
- 3. Office of Congressman Ami Bera (D-7)

Map of Food and Beverage Manufacturing in the Central Valley:



- 4. Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development
- 5. California Community Colleges, Chancellor's Office
- 6. California Workforce Investment Board
- 7. California Department of Food and Agriculture
- 8. California Department of Health and Human Services
- 9. California League of Food Processors
- 10. California Rice Commission
- 11. California State University, Chico
- 12. Sacramento Regional Technology Alliance
- 13. California Central Valley Economic Development Corporation
- 14. ChicoStart
- 15. County of Sacramento
- 16. County of Yolo
- 17. Madera County Workforce Investment Board
- 18. City of West Sacramento
- 19. Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency
- 20. Innovate Northstate
- 21. Northern Rural Training & Employment Consortium
- 22. Shasta College