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18/11/2025

Dear 9(2)(a)

Re: Solar on farms

Thank you for your official information request dated, Wednesday 12 November 2025. You have requested:

1. the number of applications received to date for the "solar on farms" program;
2. the number of applications approved;
3. the amount of money approved;
4. the total KW of panels and the KW and kWh or batteries to be installed.

EECA received 237 applications to the Solar on Farms programme, by the closing date of 16 October. Of those, 21 were deemed ineligible and 216 have progressed for evaluation.

We are in the process of evaluating applications, so no specific projects have been approved yet. Once decisions are made they will be published on our website here: [Solar on farms – support for kiwi farmers | EECA](#). This will include details of the nature of the approved projects and the level of funding approved.

You can sign up for email updates on progress of the programme [here](#).

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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