| 2. Number of farmers supported by the project in adopting BMPs for cover crops, broken down by province if working in more than one underrepresented group (Indigenous, women, persons with disabilities, visible minorities, youth, LGBTQ2+ and official language minorities).

The information to be reported for this performance measure is as follows:
● Number of farmers supported, by province
● Distribution (%) for under-represented groups | 280 farmers per year | ● As of April 30, 2023, 588 agricultural producers have been supported in adopting BMPs for cover crops. An additional 30 farmers also participated in the nitrogen management component. They are not counted twice.
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● The percentage breakdown for under-represented groups is based on the results of the follow-up survey conducted at the end of 2022 among all farmers (187 respondents for the cover crop component):

0%   Indigenous
5.9%   women
1.6%   persons with disabilities
0.5%   visible minorities
25.7%   young people (under 40)
0%   LGBTQ+
1.1%   official language minorities | 2022 SEASON
The delay in starting up the project meant that this component was launched late.

The launch took place on June 1, 2022, for agri-environmental club advisors (agronomists providing technical assistance to farmers).
However, the program uptake was very high, as adding cover crops fits in with existing production times (June–July–August–September), as demonstrated by the number of businesses that registered for it (210% higher than expected).

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Note that this component was launched much earlier for the 2023 season, on March 23, 2023. As of April 30, 39 registrations had been made. |
| ● Total funds spent to support farmers adopting BMPs for cover crops.

Please note that each farmer is counted only once, even if they adopted more than one BMP for cover crops. | | $3,850,020.21 spent to support farmers, including:

● $3,483,863.10 paid directly to farmers
● $330,890.00 paid to advisors/agronomists
● $27,272.08 paid for soil analyses
● $7,995.03 paid for demonstration activities at 4 sites | |