




Seeds for Bees Cover Crop Program

2018-2019 Enrollment Report


Thank you for your participation! The 2018-2019 Seeds for Bees season has been the best year of the program since it began in 2013. Participating growers planted 8,005 acres of bee forage cover crops, surpassing last year's total by 1,500 acres! This year represented the beginning of a new era of managing the Seeds for Bees program, implementing a cost share structure that allowed us to leverage grower-buy in to help purchase seeds; stretching our dollars and our reach. Enrollees are awarded free seed worth \$2,000 the first year and \$1,000 the second year of enrolling, with low pricing and free shipping available to everyone. To launch the "new" Seeds for Bees, we created an online application process which has increased our transparency, improved data collection, and streamlined workflows, helping us to become more efficient.



 in 2018-2019, **149** California growers planted over **8,005** acres of cover crops

 **4** Seed mixes: PAm Mustard mix, PAm Clover mix, Wollypod Vetch, and PAm Wildflower Mix

 **27** Counties in California were represented

 **16,200** acres of orchards, vineyards and farmlands supported

 Acres Planted Increased by **28.6%**

 **5,284** acres subsidised by Project Apis m.

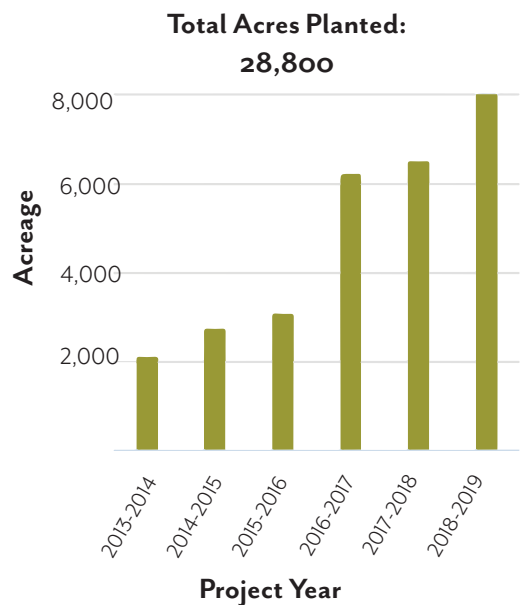
 **2,721** acres paid for by growers

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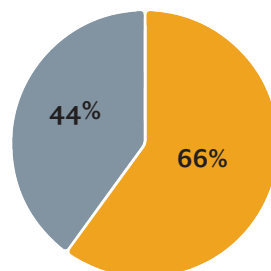
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Grower Buy-In Helps Plant More Acres



Total spent on seed: \$182,390

 Project Apis m. invested: \$120,632

 Growers invested: \$61,758