

Farm Lending Canada Announces New Commercial Arrangement with BMO to Support Canadian Agriculture

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CHATHAM, Ontario (Jan. 14, 2025) – Farm Lending Canada (FLC), a leading provider of customized lending solutions to farmers and rural businesses, has announced a new commercial arrangement with BMO to support its AgriRoots Diversified Lending Fund LP. The fund manages a diversified portfolio of mortgages secured by real estate, focused on agricultural assets.

"We're thrilled that BMO has joined our network of supporters who have placed their trust in our fund and our goal to support Canadian agriculture by providing options for securing Alternative Capital for farms and agri-businesses," said Robb Nelson, CEO at Farm Lending Canada. "Having versatile and sustainable financing choices is critical for a healthy future for Canadian farmers."

FLC manages AgriRoots Diversified Lending Fund LP, an Exempt Market Investment available to Accredited Investors and Eligible Investors via AgriRoots Diversified Lending Trust. Investors may invest in both registered and non-registered funds.

"There are tremendous opportunities for investors in the Canadian agricultural space," said Nelson. "At the same time, you are helping to serve growth and expansion in one of Canada's most important sectors."

Farm Lending Canada aims to facilitate seamless transitions for farmers to conventional lending facilities, promoting sustainability and long-term growth in the agricultural sector. The commercial arrangement with BMO enables the fund to substantially increase its reach in the Canadian Alternative agricultural mortgage market in 2025.

Interested potential investors can reach out to Farm Lending Canada to discover available opportunities. For more information on how to invest in the fund, visit <u>agriroots.ca</u>. To learn more about Farm Lending Canada, visit <u>farmlending.ca</u>.

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About Farm Lending Canada:

Farm Lending Canada, formed in 2019 is a leading provider of customized mortgage solutions for Canadian farmers, supporting rural communities and agricultural businesses across the country. Committed to excellence and innovation, FLC collaborates with industry stakeholders to ensure sustainable growth for Canada's agricultural sector. To learn more about Farm Lending Canada, visit farmlending.ca.

About BMO Financial Group:

BMO Financial Group is the eighth largest bank in North America by assets, with total assets of \$1.41 trillion as of October 31, 2024. Serving customers for 200 years and counting, BMO is a diverse team of highly engaged employees providing a broad range of personal and commercial banking, wealth management, global markets and investment banking products and services to 13 million customers across Canada, the United States, and in select markets globally. Driven by a single purpose, to Boldly Grow the Good *in business and life*, BMO is committed to driving positive change in the world, and making progress for a thriving economy, sustainable future, and inclusive society.

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