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The following public testimonial was provided by Bogdan Caceu, with La Creole Orchards in Salem, as part of their Farmer and Rancher Disaster Resilience Grant application.

"Having been confronted with a severe lack of water at La Creole Orchards for 15 years, we appreciate a grant program that focuses on resilience in the face of climate disasters. We worked hard to maintain healthy soils that hold moisture longer and to conserve precious water by using the most efficient drip irrigation. ... Thanks to the Disaster Resilience Grant Program, we could afford additional water storage, more than tripling our water storage capacity to over 100,000 gallons."