# CASE STUDY: Other Half Processing SB

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### **ABOUT OTHER HALF**

Other Half Processing (OHP) partners with US farmers and ranchers to source and market identity-preserved byproducts from the "other half" of US regeneratively raised livestock. As a Minnesota Specific Benefit Corporation (SBC), OHP's mission is to create high value and high-quality products in ways that are ethical and respectful to the animal, and supportive of regenerative farmers, ranchers and agricultural systems. OHP is excited to be partnering with Timberland® to develop and build out a US traceable, verified regenerative leather supply, with a new line of boots featuring OHP sourced leather coming.



Need for expansion of stand-alone regenerative meat and byproduct sector and infrastructure, including meat and hide processing. 1) Need more widely implemented segregation and traceability technology. 2) Support existing supply chain/ processors. 3) Expand science and technology around regenerative agriculture. 4) Document economic value and returns of regenerative systems to farmers and ranchers.







# **IMPACT AREAS**



**Economic Development/** Job Creation



Carbon Sequestration



Soil Improvement



Support Farming Communities



Water Regulation



**Animal Welfare** 



Waste Reduction



CURRENT CAPITAL STACK A/O INVESTMENT TO DATE

TYPE AND MAGNITUDE OF INVESTMENT SOUGHT

REVENUE MODEL & PROJECTED PROFITABILITY TIMELINE

**KEY RISKS** 

Beyond a few key Minnesota grants, OHP has been funded by its co-founders.

Interested in investments to support sector infrastructure and aggregation—magnitude of need depends on specific investment opportunity.

OHP's revenue model is dependent upon adding value to byproducts based on their regenerative origin and traceability. OHP shares that additional margin with producers and processors. OHP is profitable on a small scale, based on the relatively low volumes of hide sales to this point (although for regenerative, the volumes are significant).

- Willingness of market/consumers to support fairly priced, regenerative leather goods (vs underpriced commodity materials)
- · Inability of regenerative farm/ranch sector to meet demand for regenerative leather
- As sector grows, concern that it adopts processing models that limit segregation and traceability

## INTEGRATED CAPITAL PATHWAY: OTHER HALF

2017–2019 — 2017–2020 — 2018 — 2020 — 2021



Co-founders provide initial capital (personal loans to companies) and sweat equity



Founders leveraged connections with leaders in the regenerative and sustainable business sectors to develop customer leads and create key partnerships for OHP



Minnesota grant support for initial feasibility studies on adding value to segregated byproducts



Minnesota valueadded grant to help OHP purchase equipment to improve hide quality and storage/transport options



Development systems for accurately tracking byproducts

Retrofitting existing processors to support traceability

Increase inventory of regenerative hides

#### TYPES OF CAPITAL



#### NON-FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Business Planning TA Network Connections Advisory Support



#### GRANTS

State & Federal Grants Philanthropic Grants



#### LOAN GUARANTEES

Philanthropic Guarantees Guarantee Pools



#### LOANS

Friends/Family Loans Other Debt Financing Bank Loans



#### INVESTMENTS

Revenue Share Agreements PRIs & MRIs Equity