

# Agricultural Enhancement Program Cover Crop Application – Deadline July 10, 2020

Applicant Information	Farm Information			
Name:				
	Conservation District: ELK			
Mailing Address				
	County :			
	Farm Name:			
Telephone:	Farm # :			
Email:	Tract # :			
Application Date:	Field # or #'s:			
Best Management Practice				

Please complete the following information for the Best Management Practice you would like to apply for:

BMP	Limits	Cost-Share Rate	Amount applied for	Other
Cover Crop	Not to exceed a total of 5 acres	50% cost-share rate, Max. cost \$60.00 per acre Max. Reimb. \$30.00 per acre	acres	

## **Program Eligibility**

#### A. Definition

Cost share incentive to assist with the purchase of seed/labor to establish cover crop.

#### B. Purpose

- 1. Reduce erosion from wind and water. Reduce particulate emissions into the atmosphere. Minimize and reduce soil compaction.
- 2. Increase soil organic matter content. Increase biodiversity and enhance habitat for pollinators
- 3. Capture and recycle or redistribute nutrients in the soil profile.
- 4. Promote biological nitrogen fixation. Enhance weed suppression and soil moisture management.
- 5. Provide supplemental forage.

### C. Policies for Practice

- 1. Applicant must be a District Cooperator.
- 2. A W-9 tax form will be required with application for District tax purposes.
- 3. Cost share is available to owner or lessee.
- 4. Applicant must provide map identifying tract and field along with proposed acreage.
- 5. NRCS standards and specs must be followed.
- 6. Approvals will be final on **July 28, 2020**.
- 7. Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funds and based on the ranking form.
- 8. Invoices must be submitted by December 7, 2020.

#### D. <u>Payment rates & limits:</u>

- 1. The maximum cost-share for this practice shall be at a 50% rate up to \$30.00 per acre maximum.
- 2. Maximum of 5 acres per farm.
- 3. The payment will be made after paid invoices are received, cooperator completes a W-9 form and a district representative has made a site visit.
- 4. No duplication of federal or state cost-share shall be allowed.

#### **Practice Specifications**

Please refer to job sheets provided at the time of approval and signing of contract.

By signing this I have read,	understand,	and agree	to the	terms	and	conditions
stated in this document.						

Farm Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE USE ONLY:				
Date Received:				
Time Received:				
Ranking Score:				
If Approved:				
BD Date Approved:				
Contract Expiration Date:				
Application #:				
Transaction #:				