



# Chesapeake Bay Program Cover Crop Application



Sign up period: June 28, 2021 through July 30, 2021

Practices MUST be completed by October 30, 2021

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Farm Number/Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Tract # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Field # \_\_\_\_\_

Good Day Time Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

## Best Management Practice (BMP) applied for:

BMP	Limits	Cost-Share Rate	Amount applied for	Current Crop	Crop to be planted
Cover Crops	Not to exceed 75 acres	\$50/ac. by October 10 <sup>th</sup> \$40/ac. by October 20 <sup>th</sup> \$30/ac. by October 30 <sup>th</sup>	_____ acres		

### A. Description and Purpose

1. Cost-share payments are provided for the establishment of vegetative cover on cropland for protection from rain and wind erosion and the reduction of nutrient losses to groundwater.

### B. 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 one of the following documents: Written lease for current time period, Current Farm Service Agency Farm Data Report or WVCA Operator Form. This will describe who is the owner and/or lessee.
5. The applicant, if a member of a legal entity, must provide a copy of a CCC-901 Form stating who the members are.
6. The applicant must have a Farm Use Evaluation for this property.
7. Applicant must provide map identifying tract and field where the proposed planting will be.
8. Approvals will be final on **First Wednesday of September**.
9. Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funds and order received.
10. Invoices must be submitted by **November 19, 2021 4:00PM**.

### C. Practice Specifications:

1. All seed must be free of prohibited noxious weed seed and have a minimum germination rate of 80%. If the grower elects to use home grown seed, it must be tested for purity, germination and noxious weeds prior to seeding by a recognized seed laboratory.
2. Practice must be completed by October 30, 2021
3. The cover crop residue may be left on the field for conservation purposes; or the cover crop or its residue may be tilled under; or the cover crop may be harvested after April 1<sup>st</sup>.
4. Life span of this practice is a minimum of 1 year.

*Some of the recommended seed type and planting rates are listed in the following table:*

Species	Rates/ ac	Species	Rates/ac
Wheat	2 bu.	Crimson Clover	20 lbs.
Cereal Rye	2 bu.	Red Clover	15 lbs.
Spring Oats	2 bu.	White Clover	12 lbs.
Barley	2 bu.	Ryegrass	40 lbs.
Triticale	2 bu.	Bluegrass	40 lbs.
Annual Ryegrass	30 lbs.	Smooth Bromegrass	40 lbs.
Hairy Vetch	30 lbs.	Orchardgrass	40 lbs.
Crownvetch	5-20 lbs.	Timothy	40 lbs.
Mixed: Radish, peas, etc.	Consult	Birdsfoot Trefoil	10 lbs.

### D. Payment rates & limits:

1. The maximum cost-share for this practice is \$50/ac by October 10<sup>th</sup>, \$40/ac by October 20<sup>th</sup> and/or \$30/ac by October 30<sup>th</sup>.
2. Maximum of 75 acres per producer.
3. Practice must be completed by October 30, 2021
4. The payment will be made **within 45 days** after invoices are submitted and AEP representative has made a site visit.
5. No duplication of federal or state cost-share shall be allowed.

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

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE USE ONLY:	
Date Received:	
Time Received:	
Ranking Score:	
If Approved:	
District Bd Date Approved:	
Verification #:	