# **Chesapeake Bay Program Cover Crop Application** Sign up period: Wednesday June 1 through Friday July 29, 2022



11/7/22

Practices MUST be completed by Monday, November 7, 2022. Return applications and maps to: Drop off at office in door slot or mail to 151 Aikens center Suite 2; Martinsburg, WV 25404 Email: belliott@wvca.us or epcd@wvca.us Phone: 1-681-247-3012 or Fax: 304-263-4986 **Farm Information Applicant Information** Name as it appears **Conservation District: Eastern Panhandle** On W9 form: **Mailing Address: County: Telephone: Email Address: Application Date: Best Management Practice** Please complete the following information for the Best Management Practice you would like to apply for: **BMP** Limits Not to exceed 100 acres, per producer and/or entity. Cover Crops No fallow or bare ground Must follow a row crop (Corn, soybeans, sorghum, barley, wheat, etc.) Planting, Reporting and Cost-Share rates and dates: • \$50/ac. if planted by Monday, October 3rd; must report to office by Tuesday, October 4th. \$40/ac. if planted by Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>; <u>must report to office by Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup></u>.
\$30/ac. if planted by Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>; <u>must report to office by Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup></u>. Anything reported after these dates will move to the next planting date payment if planted. Please include all eligible acres even if over 100 acres! (Use another piece of paper if needed) If farm is NOT on application, it can NOT be eligible. Farm # Tract # Field # Crop to be planted Estimated planting date: Farm Name Row Crop Acres 10/3/22 10/17/22 **TURN OVER: Program Eligibility and Signature Page** 

#### **Program Eligibility**

### A. Description and Purpose

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

#### B. Polices for Practice:

- 1. Applicant must be a District Cooperator.
- 2. Cost share is available to owner or lessee.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Applicant must provide map identifying tract and field where the proposed planting will be.
- 5. Approvals will be final on Wednesday, August 17, 2022.
- 6. Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funds and based on the ranking form.
- 7. Sign up period starts Wednesday, June 1at 8 a.m. and will close on Friday, July 29, 2022, at 4:00 pm.

## 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. 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>.
- 3. Life span of this practice is a minimum of 1 year.

## D. Payment rates & limits:

- 1. The maximum cost-share for this practice: refer to the planting, reporting and cost-share rates and dates in the above chart. Anything reported after these dates will move to the next planting date payment if planted.
- 2. <u>Anything planted after Monday, November 7, 2022, and reported after Tuesday, November 8, 2022, will not receive a payment. No extensions will be given.</u>
- 3. Maximum of 100 acres per producer and/or entity.
- 4. The payment will be made after an AEP representative has made a site visit and have received all seed bills.
- 5. Payment will be made to producer within 45 days after CD has approved payment at the monthly board meeting.
- 6. A W-9 tax form will be required with application for District tax purposes.
- 7. 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: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Revised: May 18, 2022 \_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ranking Score:	
If Approved:	
District Bd Date Approved:	
Verification #:	

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