



Greenbrier Valley Conservation District

July 23, 2024, 10:00am
Special Board Meeting
Agenda
Amended

Call to Order

New Business (D/M)

- GVCD Agricultural Enhancement Program Exigency Program Activation

Issue: The Executive Director of the West Virginia Conservation Agency has authorized immediate use of AgEP Exigency Program Funds for the purpose of cost-share for livestock water supply. This authorization includes the purchase of portable water tanks and associated valves and fittings, water pump, portable pipeline and portable troughs.

Discussion: In accordance with the "Agricultural Enhancement Program Administrative Agreement" signed 23 May 2024, Addendum #2 for the Exigency Program, "The GVCD Board of Supervisors will analyze the variables within specific events as they occur and act accordingly."

Additionally, the agreement states that "Conservation Districts shall establish financial assistance rates and caps on an annual basis."

GVCD has \$10,990.01 in the AgEP Exigency Account. These funds may be utilized as a one-time cost-share for cooperators who own livestock and are in good standing. The lifespan for this practice is five years.

This program will support cooperators who have not previously established contingency plans for drought conditions common to GVCD this time of year.



Assistance may be paid retroactively with the proper receipts and inspection by a GVCD representative.

Recommendations:

- (D/M) -GVCD participates in the GVCD Agricultural Enhancement Program Exigency Program - Exigent Livestock Water Supply with a maximum cost-share rate of \$500 per cooperator for the purchase of portable water tanks and associated valves and fittings, water pumps, portable pipeline and portable troughs upon submission of receipts and verification dated after 15 June 2024. This program ends when GVCD is no longer in D-1 or higher drought conditions; or when all funds are expended; or the GVCD Board of Supervisors ends the program.
- (D/M) -GVCD delegates authority to a board member to approve applications after validation of need by a GVCD representative, and to authorize payments for the AgEP Exigency Program after visual verification by a GVCD representative.
- FY24 CDO Budget (Actual) (D/M)

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