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# West Virginia AgEP

ADMINISTERED BY: WEST VIRGINIA CONSERVATION DISTRICTS WITH  
ASSISTANCE FROM THE WEST VIRGINIA CONSERVATION AGENCY

West Virginia Agricultural Enhancement Program's (AgEP) mission is to assist the agriculture cooperators of West Virginia's Conservation Districts with the voluntary implementation of best management practices (BMPs) on agricultural lands in order to conserve and improve land and water quality. The program offers technical and financial assistance as an incentive to implement suggested BMPs.

Each conservation district has the ability to modify the program to address specific agricultural issues in their area.



## AgEP Committee Members

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# Program Updates and Reminders

## AgEP Administration Agreement

The purpose of the Agricultural Enhancement Program Administration Agreement is to provide conservation districts a format in which to document CD policies. Conservation Districts should document local AgEP policies on the addendum, and review district policies annually.

## Deadlines

The program year is July 1 - June 30. All practices must be completed and receipts submitted prior to June 30 of each year. Completion dates within the program year shall be set according to the program schedule established by each conservation district, and districts should enforce set deadlines. Those practices not completed within the program year shall be canceled. If applications are canceled cooperators may reapply during the next application period. Extensions/carryovers are not permitted.

## FY 19 Allocations

The formula selected by the majority of CDs and approved by the state AgEP committee for FY 19 includes number of farms, farmland acres and average payments of FY 15–FY 17, and is based on the \$880,000 budget. Each CD should submit the LOR to Guthrie to receive the FY 19 allocation.

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# FY 18 Summary

## Per Practice

Information per AgEP database

Practices Completed in FY 18		
Practice	Unit Totals	Number of Paid Applications
Cover Crop	40 acres	4
Critical Area Planting	2.5 acres	3
Exclusion Fence	50,675 feet	32
Frost Seeding	2263 acres	64
Heavy Use Protection Area	51 areas/88,560 sq. ft.	51
Invasive Species Management*	893 acres	58
Lime	10,731 acres / 23,014 tons	343
Nutrient Management	1,176 acres	49
Pasture Division Fence	111,350 feet	69
Pasture Seeding	364.82 acres	16
Pollinator Planting	6 plots	6
Pond Clean Out	5 ponds	5
Urban Agriculture	17 components	17
Watering System	68 components / systems	68
Winter Grazing	336 acres	12
*ISM acres include brush acres.	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>797</b>

### State Totals:

⇒ Total FY18 applications received—1,645

\*Based on database, total includes “canceled”, “paid”, and “unfunded”

⇒ Number of FY18 applications processed—1,177

\*Based on database, total includes “canceled” and “paid”

⇒ Number of applications paid in FY 18—797

\*Based on data paid in database.

⇒ Total Payments—\$1,011,477.66

\*Based on WVCA fiscal report

⇒ Total cost—\$1,922,040.65

\*AgEP payment + Cooperator’s Cost = Total Cost

⇒ Number of different cooperators paid in FY 18—677

\*Based on database

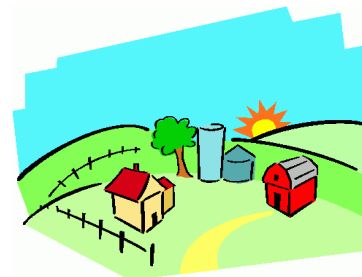
# AgEP Financial Report

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

Conservation District	AgEP Dollars Paid 7/1/2017- 6/30/2018	Number of AgEP Paid Applications
Capitol Conservation District	\$5,405.13	25
Eastern Panhandle Conservation District	\$92,524.34	59
Elk Conservation District	\$57,923.75	66
Greenbrier Valley Conservation District	\$134,893.44	84
Guyan Conservation District	\$37,933.00	52
Little Kanawha Conservation District	\$109,162.73	78
Monongahela Conservation District	\$26,648.49	20
Northern Panhandle Conservation District	\$108,901.81	57
Potomac Valley Conservation District	\$97,825.60	96
Southern Conservation District	\$69,246.61	75
Tygarts Valley Conservation District	\$61,714.57	55
Upper Ohio Conservation District	\$20,935.40	20
West Fork Conservation District	\$71,448.63	58
Western Conservation District	\$73,583.00	52
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,011,477.66</b>	<b>797</b>

## FY 19 APPROVED PRACTICES

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| ⇒ Cover Crop   | ⇒ Pasture Division Fence                          |
| ⇒ Critical Area Planting                             | ⇒ Pasture Division Fence/Watering System Combined |
| ⇒ Exclusion Fence (Deer, Water Protection, Woodland) | ⇒ Pasture Establishment or Reseeding              |
| ⇒ Exclusion Fence/Watering System Combined           | ⇒ Pollinator Plantings                            |
| ⇒ Frost Seeding                                      | ⇒ Pond Clean Out                                  |
| ⇒ Hay Reseeding                                      | ⇒ Precision Agriculture                           |
| ⇒ Heavy Use Protection Area                          | ⇒ Roof Runoff Management                          |
| ⇒ Invasive Species Management                        | ⇒ Urban Agriculture                               |
| ⇒ Lime   | ⇒ Watering System                                 |
| ⇒ Micro-Irrigation                                   | ⇒ Winter Grazing                                  |
| ⇒ Nutrient Mgmt. (Commercial Fertilizer)             |   |

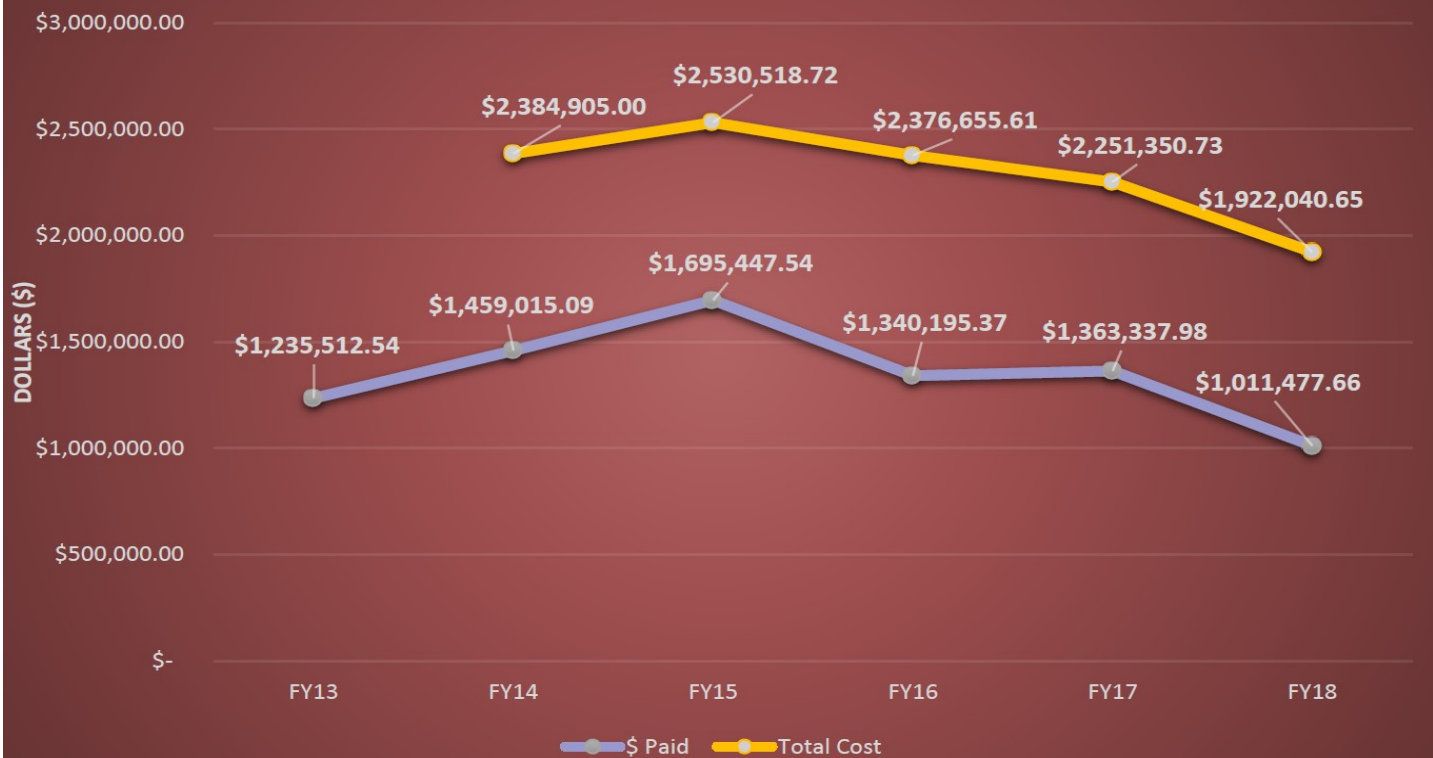




## 6 Years of AgEP

July 1, 2012—June 30, 2018

### \$ Trend from FY13 to FY18



### Applications/Cooperators from FY13 to FY18

