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# FY 26 Agricultural Enhancement Program Pasture Re-Seeding Application



Sign up Period: Monday, June 2, 2025, through Friday, April 3, 2026

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

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

BMP	Limits			<b>Cost-Share Rate</b>	Amount	Amount applied for		
Pasture Re-Seeding	<ul> <li>Producers are eligible up to an accumulative of 50 acres of hay and pasture per fiscal year (July to June).</li> <li>Must have soil tests less than three (3) yrs. old.</li> <li><u>Field is ineligible if:</u> <ul> <li>pH is 5.9 or less.</li> <li>P levels are either that number or below in the chart:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>				Flat Rate of \$65/acre	6	acres Pasture	
Fertility Rating	Mehlich 1 (VA Tech, old WVU, WVDA & Waters Agri. Lab) Mehlich 3 (W			Mehlich 3 (Way	aypoint, Brookside & Spectrum Labs)		WVU-M3	
P or P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	P - lbs./ac	P - PPM	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> - lbs./ac	P - lbs./ac	P - PPM	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> - Ibs./ac	P - PPM	
	11 or less	5 or less	27 or less	40 or less	20 or less	92 or less	15 or less	

#### Program Eligibility

## A. <u>Definition</u>

Forage re-seeding is the method of re-establishing adapted and/or compatible species, varieties, or cultivators of herbaceous species suitable for pasture.

### B. <u>Purpose</u>

Forage re-seeding is important to improve or maintain livestock nutrition and/or health. It can provide or increase forage supply during periods of low forage production. Also, by reseeding pasture it can reduce soil erosion and improve soil and water quality.

### C. <u>Policies for Practice</u>

- 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. Applicant must provide map identifying tract and field along with proposed acreage.
- 6. A current soil test within three (3) years for the field/s must be filed with the application to be eligible for sign up.
- 7. If pH is 5.9 or less for that field or P levels are and/or are less than the numbers stated above in the "Limits Section", it is ineligible.
- 8. Applications will be received starting June 2, 2025, at 8am through April 3, 2026, at 4pm.
- 9. Approvals will be final at each months board meeting.
- 10. Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funds and based on the AEP Forage Re-seeding ranking form
- 11. Invoices must be submitted by May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

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

- 1. The maximum cost-share for this practice shall be at a flat rate of \$65 per acre.
- 2. Maximum of 50 acres between hay and pasture ground per applicant per fiscal year (July to June).
- 3. The payment will be made after paid invoices are received and the AEP committee has made a site visit.
- 4. No duplication of federal or state cost-share shall be allowed.

## E. <u>Practice Specifications</u>

- 1. NRCS standards and specs must be followed. (Table 1: Seed Mixtures and Rates Per Acre)
- 2. After approval applicant must follow job sheets provided at the time of signing the contract.
- 3. Lifespan of this practice is 2 years.

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

Applicants Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Revised: April 15, 2025 Date:

OFFICE USE ONLY: Date Received: Time Received: Ranking Score: If Approved: Bd Date Approved: Contract Exp. Date: Application #: Verification #: