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FY25 Agricultural Enhancement Program Invasive Species Management Application

Sign-Up: May 6, 2024 – May 17, 2024

Priority

First

Second

Applicant Information

Name:

**Mailing
Address:**

Telephone:

Email:

What is your preferred method to receive written notification? Email/Letter

Do you own or lease the land associated with this application? Own/Lease

Do you have a financial interest in a farming entity with a WVCA employee working within West Fork Conservation District? Yes/No

Are you a spouse or dependent family member of a WVCA employee working within West Fork Conservation District? Yes/No

Do you have a financial interest in a farming entity with a West Fork Conservation District Supervisor? Yes/No

Are you a spouse or dependent family member of a West Fork Conservation District Supervisor? Yes/No

Farm Information

WEST FORK CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Farm Location:

Harrison Doddridge Gilmer Lewis

Farm Name:

Farm #:

Tract #:

Field(s) #:

Is the land associated with this application part of a farming operation? Yes/No

If yes, does the operation have the potential for producing \$1,000 in value from its products per year? Yes/No

What was the name and/or topic of the last conservation related educational event you attended?

Name/topic of event:

Was the event attended prior to July 1, 2023?

Yes/No

Is the area associated with this application part of another cost-share program for invasive species management? Yes/No

Has the area to be treated been cost-shared by AgEP or another program in the past 10 years?

Yes/No

Best Management Practice

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

BMP	Limits	Cost Share Rate	Invasive Species Present
Invasive Species Management	Max payment of \$500.00	50% cost share on commercial application & chemicals	
		75% cost share on chemicals if self-applied	

Program Eligibility

Definition:

Management of invasive species on pasture and hay land using spray application.

Purpose:

Provide incentive for the control of invasive species/noxious weeds on pasture and hay land.

Program Policies

- Applicant must be a District Cooperator. (*Cooperator Agreement form is available upon request*)
- Applicants may be landowners or farm operators.
- Applicants that do not own the land associated with this application; additional paperwork is required. (*i.e. lease, Producer Information Form, FSA farm data report*).
- Property must be used as a farming operation to be eligible for the program: having the potential for producing at least \$1,000 of farm products annually.
- When a farm extends across district boundaries, the district where the farm taxes are paid is the district in which you will apply.
- Applicant will not be eligible for program reimbursement if he/she starts project before District approval.
- The District cannot provide financial assistance when project funding will be provided by other government (*federal or state*) source.
- Applicant must provide an aerial map identifying proposed location at the time of application. (*Maps can be obtained through the Farm Service Agency or the Natural Resources Conservation Service*)
- Applicants are limited to two approved cost-share practices per fiscal year (*July-June*).
- Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funds and program ranking.
- All contract agreements must be completed, and receipts submitted by the deadline, or you may not be eligible to participate in AgEP the following year.

Practice Policies

- The District cannot cost-share on *Invasive Species Management* when previously cost-shared by government funds within the lifespan of the practice (*1 year*).
- Following District approval and signed agreement receipt, the practice must be completed by 05/23/2025.
- Receipts and any documented labor (*paid or unpaid*) must be submitted by 05/23/2025.

Reimbursement rates & limits

- The maximum cost-share for this practice shall be \$500.00.
- Cost-share rates for commercially applied chemical shall be **50%**. (*Applicator must have commercial applicators license*).
- Cost-share rate for producers that self-apply shall be **75%**. (*50% on chemicals and 25% of chemical bill in labor, if self applied*)
- Cost-share covers the costs associated with the purchase of chemicals and application of chemicals.
- Practice must be complete, and paid receipts must be sent to the District office by the project deadline (5/23/2025) otherwise payments may be delayed or even denied. (***No extensions will be given***).
- The reimbursement will be made after paid invoices are received, the cooperator completes a W-9 form, and WFCD approves your reimbursement.
- No duplication of federal or state cost-share shall be allowed.

Practice Specifications

- USDA-NRCS standards and specifications must be followed.
- Please refer to job sheets provided at the time of signing of contract for recommendations.
- Cooperator must use the correct construction materials and amounts recommended to receive reimbursement.

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

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____