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FY 22 Agricultural Enhancement Program

Frost Seeding Application

Sign up period: Monday, January 10 through Friday, February 4, 2022.



Applicant Information

Name:
Mailing Address:
Telephone:
Email Address:
Application Date:

Farm Information

Conservation District: Eastern Panhandle
County:
Farm Name:
Farm #:
Tract #:
Field # or #'s:

Best Management Practice

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

BMP	Limits	Cost-Share Rate	Amount applied for
Frost Seeding	<p>Not to exceed 25 acres per applicant. <u>Pasture fields ONLY.</u> Soil test is required. Test must be no older than 3 yrs. old.</p> <p>• Field is ineligible if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> pH is 5.9 or less. P levels are either that number or below in the chart 	Flat rate of \$20/ ac.	_____ acres Pasture
Fertility Rating P or P ₂ O ₅	Mehlich 1 (VA Tech, old WVU, WVDA & Waters Agri. Lab)	Mehlich 3 (Waypoint, Brookside & Spectrum Labs)	
	P - lbs./ac	P - PPM	P₂O₅ - lbs./ac
	11 or less	5 or less	27 or less
			WVU-M3
			P - PPM
			15 or less

Program Eligibility

A. Definition : Frost seeding is an economical method of improving pasture fields by broadcasting the seed on frozen ground. As the ground freezes and thaws, it opens and closes allowing the seed to be incorporated into the soil. This keeps the seed from germinating until there is a good moisture supply early in the spring.

B. Purpose: Frost seeding legumes is increasingly being used to improve pasture yields or change forage species composition within the pasture. The advantages to frost seeding are the ability to establish forage in an undisturbed sod, a reduced need for labor and energy compared to conventional seeding methods, the ability to establish forages with minimum equipment investment, a shortened "non-grazing" period, and it is a method to maintain stands at productive levels with both grasses and legumes.

C. Policies for Practice:

- Applicant must be a District Cooperator.
- A W-9 tax form will be required with application for District tax purposes.
- Cost share is available to owner or lessee.
- NRCS standards and specs must be followed.
- 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.
- Applicant must provide map identifying tract and field along with proposed acreage.
- A current soil test within three (3) years for the field/s must be filed with the application to be eligible for sign up.
- If a fields' pH is 5.9 or less, it is ineligible.
- If a fields' P or P₂O₅ levels is/or are less than the numbers stated above in the "Limits Section", it is ineligible.
- Applications will be accepted from Monday, January 10, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. through Friday, February 4, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.
- Approvals will be final on Wednesday, February 16, 2022.
- Approvals will be made upon availability of funds and score on the Frost Seeding ranking form.
- Must be planted by Tuesday, March 15, 2022.
- Invoices must be submitted by Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

D. Payment rates & limits:

- The maximum cost-share for this practice shall be up to 25 acres at a flat rate of \$20/acre on pasture fields only.
- The payment will be made after paid invoices are received, cooperator completes a W-9 form and the AEP committee has made a site visit.
- Producer will receive payment within 45 days after CD has approved payment at the monthly board meeting.
- No duplication of federal or state dollars shall be allowable.
- Lifespan of this practice is 1 year.

E. Seeding Specifications

- 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.

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

Applicants Signature: _____ Date: _____

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