

# Potomac Valley Conservation District Agricultural Enhancement Program Heavy Use Area Protection Application (HUAP)

Sign up period: July 5, 2023 through August 4, 2023

Applicant Information	Farm Information
Name:	
	Conservation District:
Mailing Address:	County:
	Farm Name:
Telephone:	Farm #:
Email Address:	Tract #:
Application Date:	Field # or #'s:
Best Ma	nnagement Practice

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

ВМР	Limits	Cost-Share Rate	Number of Pads
Heavy Use Area	Maximum of 2		
Protection	houses per year.		# Pads
Concrete Litter Load-out	Maximum of \$7,500	\$7.98 ft <sup>2</sup> Concrete Pad	
Pads	per / applicant.	\$7.98 It Concrete Pad	
Reinforced and Non-			Approx. SqFt
Reinforced (561)			

# **Program Eligibility**

### A. Definition

Heavy Use Area Protection- Concrete pad installed at poultry house and litter shed entrances. (561)

#### B. Purpose

Management and containment of poultry litter and spillage during poultry catching and cleanout to minimize potential pollutants from entering adjacent waterways. Provides a solid base for heavy trucks and other equipment and negates soil erosion.

# C. Policies for Practice

- 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 map identifying tract and field along with proposed acreage.
- 5. NRCS standards and specs must be followed.
- 6. Approvals will be final in the first week of September.
- 7. Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funds and based on the ranking form.
- 8. After approval applicant must follow job sheets provided at the time of signing the contract.
- 9. Invoices must be submitted by May 24, 2024, 4:00 PM.
- 10. AEP representative will be notified prior to concrete being poured and practice will be inspected prior to payment.
- 11. Program guidelines require publication of approved applications.
- 12. Producers are only eligible for 2 AgEP practices per fiscal year.
- 13. Landowner/Operator Agreement MUST be signed and returned within 45 days or funding will be forfeited.
- 14. Beginning Fiscal Year 2023-24, cooperators MUST complete ALL practices that they are approved for, or they will be ineligible to apply for 1 year.

# D. Payment rates & limits:

- 1. The payment will be made after paid invoices are received, cooperator completes a W-9 form and WVCA Conservation Specialist has made a site visit.
- 2. The cost-share for this practice funding shall be a maximum for 2 houses with a cap of \$7,500.00 per applicant.
- 3. Cost Share rates are set at a flat rate of \$7.98 ft<sup>2</sup> for non-reinforced concrete (using welded wire fabric) and for rebar on 18" spacing.
- 4. Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funds and ranking determination by the WVCA Conservation Technician and approval by the PVCD.
- 5. No duplication of federal or state cost share shall be allowable.

# E. Practice Specifications

1. Please refer to job sheets provided at the time of approval and signing of contract.

Farm Name (if applicable):	
Applicants Signature:	_ Date:

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

OFFICE USE ONLY:		
Date Received:		
Time Received:		
Ranking Score:		
If Approved:		
BD Date Approved:		
Contract Expiration		
Date:		
Application #:		
Verification #:		