

Potomac Valley Conservation District Agricultural Enhancement Program Hay/Pasture Re-Seeding Application

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

Applicant Information	Farm Information
Name:	Conservation District:
Mailing Address:	County :
Telephone:	Farm Name:
Email Address:	Farm # :
Application Date:	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
<u>Hay Re-Seeding</u> <u>Pasture Re-Seeding</u>	-Producers are eligible up to an accumulative of 50 acres of hay per fiscal year (July to June) -Must have soil tests less than three (3) years old -Field is ineligible if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> pH is less than 5.8 P levels are below: 12 lbs./ ac, 6 PPM or 29 lbs./ ac of P₂O₅. K levels are below: 76lbs./ ac, 38 PPM or 92 lbs./ ac of K₂O. 	Flat rate of \$60/ acre (50 acre Max)	_____ acres Hay _____ acres Pasture

Program Eligibility

A. Definition

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

B. Purpose

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 hay land it can reduce soil erosion and improve soil and water quality. Optimal planting dates are August 15 to September 15 or March 15 to April 15.

Policies for Practice

- Applications for this practice will be available **July 5, 2023, through August 4, 2023.**
- 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.
- Applicant must provide map identifying tract and field along with proposed acreage.
- Applicants must also provide soil test results for field applied.
- Soil sample results must be within past 3 yrs.
- NRCS standards and specs must be followed.
- Approvals will be final in **the first week of September.**
- Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funds and based on the ranking form.
- After approval applicant must follow job sheets provided at the time of signing the contract.
- Invoices must be submitted by **May 24, 2024, 4:00PM.**
- No duplication of federal or state dollars shall be allowable.
- HAY and PASTURE FIELDS ONLY**
- Program guidelines require publication of approved applications.
- Producers are only eligible for 2 AgEP practices per Fiscal Year.**
- Landowner/Operator Agreement MUST be signed and returned within 45 days or funding will be forfeited.**
- 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.**

C. Payment rates & limits:

1. The cost-share for this practice shall be at a \$60.00 per acre, a maximum of \$3,000.00 per applicant.
2. Maximum of 50 acres per applicant.
3. The payment will be made within 45 days after paid invoices are received, cooperator completes a W-9 form and the AEP committee has made a site visit.
4. No duplication of federal or state cost-share shall be allowed.

D. Practice Specifications

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. **Methods of seeding must be no till into existing stands.**
4. 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.

Farm Name (if applicable): _____

Applicants Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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