

# Potomac Valley Conservation District Agricultural Enhancement Program Lime 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
Lime	Not to exceed <b>50 acres</b> Covers payment for: Hay and Pasture Only	<b>60% cost-share</b> <b>Up to \$50.00 per ton maximum</b> <b>Payment not to exceed \$30.00 /ton</b>	_____ acres

## Program Eligibility

### 1. Definition

- To improve soil structure, reduce erosion, and increase the production of grassland.

### 2. Purpose

- Provide incentive for the maintenance of grasses and /or legumes on grassland.
- Provide soil and watershed protection by increasing plant vigor and vitality therefore aiding in the reduction of erosion on grassland.

### 3. Policies for Practice

- Application signup period will be from **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.
- 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.**
- Invoices must be submitted by **May 24, 2024, 4:00PM.**
- Care must be given to protect water quality during and after application.
- Current soil tests (within past 3 years) must come from a certified laboratory.
- Soil samples may be taken by any qualified or approved person, including the farmer.
- Only state registered ag lime, purchased in bulk, may be used.
- Lime must meet state agriculture registration requirements in order to be approved.
- Fields will be on a 3- year rotation for application.
- 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.**

### 4. Payment rates & limits:

- The maximum cost-share for this practice shall be at a 60% rate up to \$50.00 per ton maximum on Hay and Pasture only.
- Not to exceed \$30.00 a ton cost share payment.

3. Cost-sharing is authorized for **purchase, delivery, and application** of necessary lime for maintenance of permanent grasses, legumes on pasture and hay land.
4. Maximum of 50 acres per applicant.
5. 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.
6. No duplication of federal or state cost-share shall be allowed.

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:** \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>Date Received:</b>	
<b>Time Received:</b>	
<b>Ranking Score:</b>	
<b>If Approved:</b>	
<b>BD Date Approved:</b>	
<b>Contract Expiration Date:</b>	
<b>Application #:</b>	
<b>Verification #:</b>	