

Potomac Valley Conservation District

Agricultural Enhancement Program Frost Seeding Application

Sign-Up Period: December 1st, 2025, through January 9th, 2026

| Applicant Information | Farm Information |
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| Name: | Conservation District: Potomac Valley |
| Address: | County: |
| | Farm Name: |
| Telephone: | Farm #: |
| E-Mail Address: | Tract #: |
| Application Date: | Field #: |

| Best Management Practice | | | | |
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| Please complete the following information for the Best Management Practice(s) you would like to apply for: | | | | |
| BMP | Limits | Cost Share Rate | Amount applied for: | |
| Frost Seeding | Not to exceed 50 acres. Seeding MUST be completed by March 15 th , 2026 Less than 5.8 pH is ineligible. | \$720.00 Max Cost Share 60% of Seed Bill (50-acre Max) | Acres | |

Program Eligibility

Definition

1. Frost seeding is an economical method of improving pasture and hay 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.

Purpose

1. Frost seeding legumes and grasses is increasingly being used as a means to improve pasture yields or change forage species composition within the pasture. Frost seeding offers several potential advantages. These include the ability to establish forages with a minimum equipment investment, a shortened "non-grazing" period, and it is a method to maintain stands at productive levels with both grasses and legumes.

Policies for Practice

- 1. Application signup period will be from December 1, 2025, through January 9, 2026.
- 2. Applicant must be a District Cooperator.
- 3. A W-9 tax form will be required with application for District tax purposes.
- 4. Cost Share is available to owner or lessee.
- 5. Applicant must provide map identifying tract and field along with proposed acreage.
- 6. Applicants must provide current soil test results for the applied field(s).
- 7. NRCS standards and specs must be followed.
- 8. Approvals will be final on the **second Tuesday of February.**
- 9. Application approvals will be made based upon availability of funding and based on the ranking form.
- 10. Approved practice(s) must be completed, and invoices submitted to the District Office by May 29, 2026 4PM.
- 11. Seeding MUST be completed by March 15, 2026.
- 12. **ONLY** Legumes are acceptable for planting.
- 13. Program guidelines require publication of approved applications.
- 14. Producers are only eligible for 2 AgEP practices per fiscal year.
- 15. Landowner/Operator agreement MUST be signed and returned within 45 days or funding will be forfeited.

16. Applicant must complete ALL AgEP practices that they are approved for, or they will be ineligible to apply for the AgEP program for 1 year.

Payment Rates & Limits

- 1. The maximum cost-share for this practice shall be \$720.00
- 2. Maximum of 50 acres per applicant.
- 3. **ONLY LEGUMES** are acceptable for planting.
- 4. Seeding MUST be completed by March 15, 2026.
- 5. The payment will be made within 45 days after paid invoices are received, cooperator completes a W-9 form and the AgEP committee has made a site visit.
- 6. No duplication of federal or state cost-share shall be allowed.

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| Date Received | | |
| Time Received | | |
| Ranking Score | | |
| If Approved | | |
| BD Date Approved | | |
| Contract Expiration Date | | |
| Application # | | |
| Verification # | | |

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

Farm Name (If Applicable)

Applicant Signature

Date

Please Mail or Drop Applications off to:

Potomac Valley Conservation District 500 East Main Street, Suite F Romney, WV 26757

Office: (304) 822-5174

WVCA Moorefield Field Office 60C Industrial Park Road Moorefield, WV 26836 Office: (304) 538-7581

