



Huntington County SWCD Conservation Program

Huntington County SWCD
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LANDOWNER/PRODUCER APPLICATION FOR COST-SHARE ASSISTANCE

A. Landowner/User Request

I, _____ (Printed Name) a landowner/producer in Huntington County, Indiana, hereby make application to the Huntington County SWCD Conservation Program for cost-share assistance to install/apply the conservation acre(s) listed below (the cost-share level to be established by the Program. I understand that the practices approved will be installed/applied consistent with USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service standards and specifications or other approved specification, will be in place and maintained for a minimum of 3 years and will be installed on land the participant owns or has control. **Project completion required within 14 months from the date in section C.**

Address _____ Date: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ County: _____

Project address if different from above: _____

Applicant /Property Owner Signature* _____ Date _____

*Staff note—Does applicant have legal control of the property? If not, formal letter showing authorization required.

B: Conservation Practice(s) (To be completed by/with staff)

Conservation Practice(s)	Quantity Or Area (include units)	Practice Estimated Total Cost	Cost Share Amount Requested

Total cost share amount requested:

NRCS, IDNR, OR SWCD Technical Representative Signature _____ Date _____ \$ _____

Practice plan including photos and map should be attached as part of the application.

C: SWCD Recommendation for Approval

The Huntington County SWCD Conservation Program recommends the approval of this application for cost-share assistance in the amount of \$ _____.

SWCD Chairman or Designated Supervisor _____ Date _____ Contract # _____



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Criteria and Requirements for Cost-Sharing

Cost share awards cover 75% of actual cost of *approved practice implementation*. Amounts listed below are the maximum cost share payments from the Program. The maximum amount of cost-share a Participant is eligible to receive is listed below under each category or the amount approved by the SWCD board on the application.

Please see Cost Share Policy document for details.

Native/Prairie Plantings

Maximum acreage for cost share: 2 acres

Maximum Cost-Share Funding: **\$600/acre; \$1,200 maximum funding**

Purpose: Replace turf grass or cultivated land to increase water infiltration, reduce pesticide and nutrient applications and improve wildlife habitat.

Requirements:

- Lack of wildlife habitat (food sources, nesting areas)
- Reduce mowing or maintenance on site
- Planting will consist of 100% native plants
- Invasive plants will be removed prior to planting

Restrictions:

- Practice cannot be used on earthen dams or levees
- An operations and maintenance plan must be included in the project

Tree Plantings and Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment

Maximum acreage for cost share: 2 acres

Maximum Cost-Share Funding: **\$800/acre; \$1,600 maximum funding**

Purpose: Create or improve habitat for desired wildlife, control erosion, sequester and store carbon

Requirements:

- Follow NRCS planting guide

Restrictions:

- An operations and maintenance plan must be included in the project

Second Year Weed Control

Maximum acreage for cost share: 2 acres

Maximum Cost-Share Funding: **\$88/acre; \$176 maximum funding**

Cover Crops

Maximum acreage for cost share: **100 acres**

Maximum Cost –Share Funding: **\$20/acre; \$2,000 maximum funding.**

Purpose: To improve soil health and/or reduce erosion.

Requirements:

- Follow NRCS seeding dates

Restrictions:

- Include photo documentation that practice was completed

Gypsum

Maximum acreage for cost share: **100 acres**

Maximum Cost –Share Funding: **\$20/acre; \$2,000 maximum funding.**

Purpose: To improve soil structure and improve water infiltration

Requirements:

- Follow NRCS guidelines

Restrictions:

- CCA recommendation for applying gypsum

Rain Barrels

Maximum Cost-Share Funding: \$100 per homeowner/household

Purpose: To capture water from roof and store for watering lawn, gardens, or indoor plants later.

Reduce runoff from property and conserve water.