

Erosion Control and Water Quality Cost Share Program for Non-Traditional Agriculture

Program requirements:

1. The purpose of the program is to reduce runoff pollution from agricultural operations. There must be an existing resource management problem that is adversely affecting soil and/or water resources.
2. The program is limited to landowners in Campbell County involved in an agricultural or silviculture enterprise not traditionally included in federal or state cost share programs. Those enterprises include, but are not limited to:
 - equestrian enterprises such as riding trails and boarding stables (overgrazing of pastures, waste management, etc.)
 - horticultural enterprises such as fruits, vegetables, grapes, landscape plants, floral products
 - forestry operations to include production of non-timber products (mushrooms, etc.)
 - agri-tourism operations
 - animals such as rabbits, poultry, sheep, goats, emu, alpaca, etc.
3. Projects must include one or more Best Management Practice (BMP) endorsed by the Kentucky Agriculture Water Quality Authority, in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Examples include:
 - pasture renovation and rotation for vegetative cover improvement and management;
 - collection, storage, and disposal or use of manure/organic wastes;
 - stream crossings;
 - heavy use areas, animal trails and walkways;
 - riparian buffers (area adjacent to a stream or pond) development.
4. A farm serial number and an Agriculture Water Quality Plan must be in place prior to starting the project and before any funds will be awarded.
5. All projects must be installed according to Natural Resources Conservation Service technical requirements. An approved plan must be developed before work starts on the project.
6. A project may be funded for up to \$2,175 and applicants must provide at least 25% of the total cost of the project.

7. This is a reimbursement grant. Before funds are reimbursed, applicant must:
 - sign a performance maintenance agreement.
 - furnish the conservation district with receipts or other documentation to substantiate the expenses for which reimbursement is being sought.
 - furnish the Conservation District with their social security and/or farm identification number to ensure compliance with federal income tax reporting regulations. If you receive over \$599, a form W9 must be completed.
8. All practices installed are required to be maintained for 10 years, under the signed maintenance agreement.
9. The project should be in an area which can be made accessible to the public for conservation tours and/or field days upon request of the Conservation District.
10. Projects should be completed within a year of approval.

Applications will be accepted and evaluated as they are received. The program will be available until all grant funds are expended. If the program is oversubscribed with eligible applications, applications will be prioritized for funding based on their conservation value. To process your application, representatives of the Campbell County Conservation District may visit your property. If your project is funded, committee representatives will document the progress of the project. Funds for this cost share grant program are made available locally through the Kentucky Soil and Water Quality Cost Share Fund, administered through the Kentucky Division of Conservation and the Campbell County Conservation District.

Submit applications to:

Campbell County Conservation District
8350 East Main Street, Alexandria, KY 41001
Phone: 859-635-9587
E-mail: cccd@campbellkyconservation.org
Web site: www.campbellkyconservation.org



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Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (Home) _____

(Cell) _____

(Daytime phone) _____

E-mail: _____

1. Do you own the land on which the project will be implemented?

YES _____ NO _____

If no, please explain: _____

2. Location of property (if different than mailing address listed above)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: KY Zip Code: _____

3. Total acreage of property? _____ acres

How much of that acreage is in useable pasture? _____ acres

How much is in woods? _____ acres

How much is in fruit/vegetable production? _____ acres

Other? _____

4. Do you have livestock on the property? YES _____ NO _____

If yes, what type: _____ How many? _____

5. Is there a sinkhole, stream, pond, or other body of water on or adjacent to the property and/or project area?

YES _____ NO _____

Name of waterbody if known: _____

6. Do you have an existing
- conservation plan
 - forestry plan
 - wildlife plan
 - Agriculture Water Quality Plan or Agriculture Water Quality Plan Certification Sheet on file at the conservation district office?

YES _____ (Circle those you have) NO _____

(If no, you will need to develop an Agriculture Water Quality Plan prior to beginning your project if it is selected for funding.)

7. Are you a member of the Kentucky Agriculture District Program?

YES _____ NO _____

8. What do you consider to be the most critical resource management issue on your property?

9. Please attach a description of your project to include:

- General description of property
- Resource problem or issue that needs project support;
- Potential plan, including Best Management Practices, to correct the problem;
- A detailed, projected budget.

Please contact our office for technical assistance with your project.