



Soil Health Program

The Carlton Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) can provide cost-share assistance to landowners when improving pasture, hayland, and planting cover crops! We can assist you in determining what type of seed to purchase, where to purchase, and even provide our seeder equipment for use!

Pasture and hay planting can help improve livestock nutrition, increase forage supply, and at the same time reduce soil erosion and improve soil health!

Cover crops control erosion, add fertility and organic material to the soil, improve soil tilth, increase infiltration and aeration of soil, and improve overall soil health.

Pasture and Hay Planting

- No-till Interseeding and/or New perennial hay/pasture seeding after row-crop

Requires at least one legume in seed mix, and the field must remain in perennial crop (no tillage or annual crop) for 5 years, and a soil test must have been completed in the last 3 years.

Eligible expenses will be cost shared at a rate of 75% up to a maximum of \$3,000

Eligible Expenses

- Seed, fertilizer, herbicide, lime, field operations (labor), tillage of converting row-crop to hay.

*Will only cost share on U of MN Extension recommended rates for lime, seed, and fertilizer

Cover Crops

- One Species or Multispecies

Cover crop must remain on field over winter, but may be grazed to 4" residue in fall.

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Eligible Expenses

- Seed, fieldwork (labor)



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