



FY-20, Lawns to Legumes – Demonstration Neighborhoods Landowner Agreement

General Information

Organization Cottonwood SWCD	Contract Number	Other federal or other state funds? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amendment <input type="checkbox"/> Board meeting date(s):	Canceled <input type="checkbox"/> Board meeting date:
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*If contract amended, attach amendment form(s) to this contract.

Applicant

Land Occupier Name	Mailing Address	City/State	Zip code
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* If a group contract, this must be filed and signed by the group spokesperson as designated in the group agreement and the group agreement attached to this form.

Conservation Practice Location

Township Name	Township	Range	Section	Parcel ID or site address
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Contract Information

I (we), the undersigned, do hereby request cost share assistance to help defray the cost of installing the following practice(s) listed on the second page of this contract. It is understood that:

1. The land occupier is responsible for full establishment, operation, and maintenance of all practices and upland treatment criteria applied under this program to ensure that the conservation objective of the practice is met and the effective life, a **minimum of 5 years**, is achieved. The specific operation and maintenance requirements for the conservation practice listed are described in the operation and maintenance plan prepared for this contract by the organization technical representative.
2. Should the land occupier fail to maintain the practice during its effective life, the land occupier is liable to the State of Minnesota for the amount up to 150% of the amount of financial assistance received to install and establish the practice unless the failure was caused by reasons beyond the land occupier's control, or if conservation practices are applied at the land occupier's expense that provide equivalent protection of the soil and water resources.
3. If title to this land is transferred to another party before expiration of the aforementioned life, it shall be the responsibility of the land occupier who signed this contract to advise the new owner that this contract is in force and to notify other parties to the contract of the transfer.
4. Practice(s) must be planned and installed in accordance with technical standards and specifications of the: **Lawns to Legumes Grant**
5. Increases in the practice units or cost must be approved by the organization board through amendment of this contract as a condition to increase the cost-share payments.
6. This contract, when approved by the organization board or council, will remain in effect unless canceled or amended by mutual agreement, except where installations of practices covered by this contract have not been installed by **18 months from the executed date of this contract (SWCD board signature)**, this contract will be automatically terminated on that date.
7. Items of cost for which reimbursement is claimed are to be supported by invoices/receipts for payments and will be verified by the organization board as practical and reasonable. The organization board has the authority to make adjustments to the costs submitted for reimbursement. Reimbursement requests must be supported by a completed voucher.

Applicant Signatures

The land occupier's signature indicates agreement to:

1. Grant the organization's representative(s) access to the parcel where the conservation practice will be located.
2. Obtain all permits required in conjunction with the installation and establishment of the practice prior to starting construction of the practice.
3. Be responsible for the operation and maintenance of conservation practices applied under this program in accordance with an operation and maintenance plan prepared by the organization technical representative.
4. Not accept any other state or federal funds for this practice.

Date	Home Occupier
Date	Homeowner, if different from applicant Address, if different from applicant information:

Conservation Practice

The primary practice for which cost-share is requested is a Lawns to Legumes Pollinator Project (check appropriate box(es))

Practice standards or eligible component(s) <input type="checkbox"/> pocket garden <input type="checkbox"/> 719M – Small garden <input type="checkbox"/> 720M – Raingarden <input type="checkbox"/> 721M – Shoreline Buffer <input type="checkbox"/> 722M – Boulevard	<input type="checkbox"/> tree/shrub 723M <input type="checkbox"/> pollinator lawn (724M) <input type="checkbox"/> pollinator meadow (725M)	Engineered Practice (<input type="checkbox"/> yes or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no) Ecological practice (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes or <input type="checkbox"/> no)	Total Project Cost Estimate* \$500.00*
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*Maximum project cost estimate \$500.00

Technical Assessment and Cost Estimate

I have the appropriate technical expertise and have reviewed the site where the above-listed practice is to be installed and find it is needed and that the estimated quantities and costs are practical and reasonable.

Date	Technical Representative
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Amount Authorized for Financial Assistance

The organization board or council has authorized the following for financial assistance, total not to exceed **90** percent of the total cost to establish the conservation practice.

Amount	Program Name	Fiscal Year
\$450.00	Lawns to Legumes Demonstration Neighborhood Program	FY20

Board Meeting Date	Authorized Signature	Total Amount Authorized \$ 450.00
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