

# Agricultural Best Management Practices

Cost-Share & Incentive

## Application



### CONTACT INFORMATION

Name (Landowner)	
Address	
City, State, ZIP Code	
Phone	
E-Mail Address	

### AVAILABILITY

When are you looking to start your project? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you applied for other public funding? \_\_\_\_\_

### AGRICULTURAL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES COST SHARE OR INCENTIVE PROJECTS: (CIRCLE TYPE OF PROJECT)

Table 1.

Type of Project	Cost-share & Incentive Options
<b>Wetland Restoration:</b> Construction or restoration of natural wetlands to provide the hydrological and biological benefits of a wetland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One-time payment of \$500/acre (pool area) for perpetual easement</li> <li>• Up to 75% material/installation costs</li> </ul> Incentive designed to supplement existing programs (DNR, Ducks Unlimited, etc.)
<b>Control Drainage (also called Conservation Drainage):</b> Installation of a water control structures that allow farmer to regulate and adjust water levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 75% material/installation costs</li> </ul> Incentive designed to supplement existing programs
<b>Alternative Tile Intakes:</b> A variety of tile intake systems that replace open intakes - can be Blind Tile Inlets, Rock Inlets, Hickenbottom Intakes, or others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May include up to 75% of material/installation</li> </ul>
<b>Ditch Bank Side Inlets:</b> Structure used to control the grade and head cutting primarily in ditch banks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 75% of material/installation costs</li> </ul> Or up to \$500 per inlet to supplement existing programs
<b>Sediment Basins:</b> Basin constructed to collect and store debris or sediment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 75% of material/installation costs</li> </ul> Or up to \$10,000 per inlet to supplement existing programs
<b>Nutrient Management Plan:</b> strategies for the management of nutrients that result in water quality improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Designed to supplement NRCS incentives</li> </ul> Up to 15% of NRCS payment
<b>Riparian Tree Planting:</b> Tree planting for stability and water quality improvement in riparian areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 75% of material/installation costs</li> </ul>
<b>Streambank Stabilization/ Restoration:</b> Use of bioengineering to stabilize and restore streambanks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 75% of material/installation costs</li> </ul>
<b>Cover Crop:</b> a crop grown for the protection of soil and soil health and enrichment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 75% of material/installation costs</li> <li>• Supplemental incentive will be made of case-by-case basis</li> <li>• Cover Crop consultation (advice getting cover crops into rotation, and cover crop selection)</li> <li>• Soil Health Testing (infiltration testing)</li> </ul>
<b>Conservation Buffers:</b> Small areas of strips of land in permanent vegetation surrounding cropland (for private ditches)	One-time payment: (Subject to MIN/MAX size requirements) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$100/acre for 10-yr commitment</li> <li>• \$150/acre for 15-yr commitment</li> <li>• \$500/acre for perpetual easement</li> </ul>
<b>Feedlot Upgrades:</b> changes to feedlots designed to reduce impacts to water quality	Due to varying nature of feedlot upgrades, supplemental cost-share will be made on a case-by-case basis

## YOUR PROPERTY

Summarize the damage to your property. Include examples of land lost to erosion, decreased field productivity, reduction of wetlands, etc.

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## HYDROLOGIC IMPACTS

How will your proposed project help improve water quality throughout the Middle Fork Crow River Watershed? Include any goals to reduce runoff, control drainage, stabilize loose soils, etc.

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## DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY LOCATION AND PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST

County, Township, Section number	
Parcel I.D. Number	
Estimated size and nature of project (i.e # acres)	
Type of project (from Table 1)	
Estimated TOTAL project cost	\$
Estimated cost-share or incentive amount	\$

## AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE

By submitting this application, I agree to the terms and conditions set forth by the Middle Fork Crow River Watershed District. I understand that this application and any funding is subject to approval from the Board of Managers (see "Policy" below).

Name (printed)	
Signature	
Date	

## DISITRICT POLICY

The Board of Managers of the Middle Fork Crow River Watershed District has adopted a policy of providing incentives to agricultural producers throughout the watershed for the implementation of Agricultural Best Management Practices (BMPs) for water quality improvement. The incentives provided may be from grants, the District's general fund, or combination of funding sources, and are designed to work with existing federal, state, and county programs. Examples of projects and incentives can be found at [www.mfcrow.org/programs/agricultural-incentives/](http://www.mfcrow.org/programs/agricultural-incentives/) - the list is illustrative and should not be considered all-inclusive (projects not listed may also qualify for incentives). Incentive amounts may change, and funding will be at the sole discretion of the MFCRWD Board of Managers, dictated by the availability of grant and general funds. Incentives must be approved by the Board of Managers prior to project implementation. Please fill out separate applications for different type projects.