

Producer-Led Watershed
Protection Grant Program

APPLICATION GUIDE



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GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

The **Project Title** can indicate what your group will focus efforts on through this grant project.

GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION			
NAME OF PRODUCER-LED GROUP Farmers of the Big Blue River			
LEAD CONTACT NAME Ulysses Everett McGill	E-MAIL whereartthou@gmail.com	PHONE NUMBER: (222) 322 - 8888	
MAILING ADDRESS STREET OF ENTITY TO BE PAID 123 Dirt Rd.	CITY Farmland	STATE WI	ZIP 5222
LEAD FARMER NAME Delmar O'Donnell	E-MAIL uwasatoad@hotmail.com	PHONE NUMBER: (888) 111 - 4444	
FISCAL MANAGER OF GROUP (if different from lead contact above) Pete Hogwallop	E-MAIL yourstruly@aol.com	PHONE NUMBER: (999) 333 - 3333	
GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$ 40,000			
PROJECT TITLE (12 words or less): Promoting soil health, water quality improvement and farm profitability in the Big Blue River watershed.			
WATERSHED NAME and HUC NUMBER (ex. Rock River Watershed, 705000706): 000000000000			
<i>Note: Participants within your group must reside within the same watershed project area. See the DATCP webpage to determine your group's watershed.</i>			

The **Lead Contact** can also be your lead farmer, or it can be your collaborator. We will use this person as the main point of contact for the grant.

The **Fiscal Manager** is the person who manages the grant funds. If your producer-led group is a 501c3, then this might be the treasurer of your group. If your funds are being held on the group's behalf by another entity such as the county land conservation department, for example, the person with that organization that you work with would be listed here.

List all **HUCs** that you will be working in, and double check the numbers, as DATCP uses these to create the watershed group maps. Any outreach events, incentive programs, and other project costs covered by the grant must occur within your **approved watershed project area**.

PROJECT SCOPE + REPORTING METRICS

It is up to the group to define what constitutes a **participating member**. Examples groups have used in the past include:

- Someone who attends at least 2 board meetings per year
- Someone who regularly attends group events (field days, workshops, etc.) and provides input on group activities
- Someone who has paid a group membership fee
- Someone who has participated in a conservation incentive program

Generally, a member should be someone more involved than having attended one past event, and/or simply belonging to an email list.

PROJECT SCOPE					
Question 1a: Number of eligible agricultural producers currently participating in producer-led group					12
For the definition of an eligible farm, please review the RFP.					
Number of farmers on governing body (group leaders/board members)					4
Number of total members (farm or non-farm) in group					16
GRANT IMPACT REPORTING					
Question 1b: Types of farming operations participating in producer-led group (check all that apply)					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dairy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Swine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sheep	<input type="checkbox"/> Goat	<input type="checkbox"/> Poultry
<input type="checkbox"/> Exotics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grazing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash grain/forage	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetable	<input type="checkbox"/> Certified organic	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Question 1c: Total acres included on farms within producer-led group					
7,000	Cropland	2,000	Pasture	50	Orchard
					Vineyard
				10	Managed grassland/CRP
200	Managed forest		Managed wetlands		Other
Question 1e: What are the main resource concerns the group will address? Check top three concerns.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface water quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface water quantity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Groundwater quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Groundwater quantity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Soil erosion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Soil health	<input type="checkbox"/> Nutrient management	<input type="checkbox"/> Flooding		
<input type="checkbox"/> Habitat degradation	<input type="checkbox"/> Streambank erosion	<input type="checkbox"/> Other			

Do your best to include acres of all farmers you've counted as members in question 1a. This helps track both your group's and program growth.

DEVELOPING YOUR WORK PLAN

A **vision** directs you to your organization's goals. It helps paint a picture of the organization and focuses on the "why" and the meaning behind your organization's actions. It can help describe what you are building towards in the future.

The **mission** describes the "what" and "how" of your group. It can outline what you are doing now to reach your goals.

WORK PLAN

Please list the group's vision and mission statements. *Outline the goals and objectives for this year's work plan. Include details on how your work plan addresses water quality, soil health and other resource concerns you intend to address.*

Vision statement To catalyze the adoption of diverse soil health systems management on farms across the Big Blue Watershed, leading to water quality improvement and increased farm financial stability.

Mission statement Create opportunities for farmers in the Big Blue Watershed to learn about and ease the transition into soil health management systems through education, outreach, and conservation incentives.

Goal 3: Objectives Goal 4: Deliver four educational events for farmers of varying levels of soil health adoption

Your workplan sets the stage for who you are as a group and helps organize the group's annual activities. Reviewers compare the content and activities included throughout your grant with the original work plan to identify how proposed activities relate to your vision, mission, goals & objectives.

This section is very important and is referenced frequently during review of the application

GOALS + OBJECTIVES

health management systems through education, outreach, and conservation incentives.

Goals & Objectives Goal 1: Deliver four educational events for farmers of varying levels of soil health adoption.

Objective 1.1: Organize and host one field day on a member farm highlighting tips on how to plant and manage rye in a dairy vs. cash grain operation (beginning soil health farmer audience).

Objective 1.2: Host a shop talk featuring two soil health experts to talk about how soil health changes in the first five years after implementing soil health practices (intermediate soil health farmer audience).

Objective 1.3: Host a field day on a member farm on how to get started with grazing cover crops (intermediate-advanced soil health farmer audience).

Objective 1.4: Organize a farm tour on a member farm showcasing a farm under continuous living cover managing a permanent pasture rotational grazing system as well as a no-till diverse cash grain system with cover crops.

Goal 2: Increase conservation practice acres implemented by member farms by 10% by 2025.

Objective 2.1: Continue to provide financial assistance to farmers in our watershed through our conservation incentive program offerings; refine program offerings annually to best serve needs of farmers in our community.

Objective 2.2: Conduct at least two conservation practice demonstrations annually to provide educational opportunities for area farmers on how to integrate soil health and conservation into their farm management.

Goal 3: Engage 2-5 farms annually representing different operation and management types in our group's mission and activities.

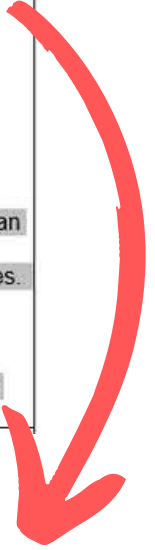
Objective 3.1: Develop an outreach committee of three farmers and a conservation partner to guide our annual communications and outreach plan. At least one farm must represent a rotational grazing farm and another must represent an alternative crops farm (vegetable, fruit, cranberries, food-grade grains, etc.).

Objective 3.2: Expand our conservation incentive program offerings to include grazing practices and other rotational practices.

Goal 4: Increase partnerships (financial and other areas of support) with 1-2 organizations annually.

Objective 4.1: Hire a marketing company to assist us with developing of marketing materials and a marketing campaign to solicit more interest from local and other businesses to partner with our cause.

Objective 4.2: Modify our outreach coordinator's workplan to include development and financial partnership scoping as 25% of the position's workload.



Goals identify a desired outcome;
Objectives identify the specific actions that will lead to the outcome

Goals are broader in concept, while objectives are more specific and tangible.

It can be helpful to number your goals and the objectives underneath each to organize your workplan.

COLLABORATION + PARTICIPATION

Identifying the **role(s) of your collaborator** helps reviewers understand the viability of the work plan and if you have sufficient support to carry out your work.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) & COLLABORATOR ROLES				
Select which entity you are creating a MOU with. You must include a copy of the MOU with your submission.				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County LCC	<input type="checkbox"/> DNR	<input type="checkbox"/> UW Extension	<input type="checkbox"/> Discovery Farms	
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit Conservation Organization (list): _____				
Role of collaborating entity in producer-led group (check all that apply)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Identification of projects and goals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications and public relations			
<input type="checkbox"/> Project development and execution	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Organizing conservation incentive programs			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Financial management and fundraising	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Assistance with executing outreach events			
Existing groups – Have you changed collaborators over time?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
If yes, what led you to switch collaborators?		_____		
MEMBERSHIP & PARTICIPATION				
New members/participants recruited in previous grant cycle (if applying as an existing group)				
Number of new members/participants recruited 4				
Membership/participation recruitment goal for this year				
Goal for number of new members/participants 2				
Previous successful membership recruitment activities (existing groups) or any initial work planning meetings (new groups)				
1. Annual winter kick-off meeting; for the last two years we host a meeting to kick-off the group activities for the year and at this meeting we set aside time to introduce our group's mission and goals and how to get involved.				
2. Networking at field events; our board makes an effort to talk with farmers at our field events and makes personal invitations to upcoming meetings or events when appropriate.				
3. We joined the Southeast Regional Team and have been sharing our events through the Regional Team Coordinator and the email list that they curate.				
Planned membership recruitment activities				
1. We plan to partner with Down to the River Marketing Group to develop a marketing campaign to area businesses to help us grow financial and overall support for our organization.				
2. We are working with a non-member farmer right now to develop a small-scale field demonstration on their farm.				
3. We will be offering grazing and pasture-related conservation incentives to attempt to increase the relevance of our offerings to broader types of farms.				
Historical producer-led group total membership				
1st YEAR Funded	5	Total membership	5th YEAR Funded	Total membership
2nd YEAR Funded	12	Total membership	6th YEAR Funded	Total membership
3rd YEAR Funded	16	Total membership	7th YEAR Funded	Total membership
4th YEAR Funded:		Total membership	8th YEAR Funded	Total membership

Membership recruitment efforts and historical **membership numbers** helps us look at how existing groups are progressing. Membership is not the only metric DATCP uses to evaluate growth.

CONSERVATION INCENTIVES

CONSERVATION PRACTICE PROGRAM OFFERINGS			
Please include all practices that your group plans to offer as part of an incentive/cost-share program this year. Fill out the supporting information in light grey if available.			
<i>NOTE: Payments cannot be made through this program to the same farm on the same acres for more than three years</i>			
Practice Single-species cover crops		Total funding requested for practice \$6,000	
Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit \$30/acre	Number of total farms to be funded 4 or more	Total acres funded 200	
Totals acres covered beyond DATCP 400 or more		Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) \$1,500	
Practice Multi-species cover crops after small grains		Total funding requested for practice \$6,750	
Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit \$45/acre	Number of total farms to be funded 3 or more	Total acres funded 150	
Totals acres covered beyond DATCP 150 or more		Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) \$2,250	
Practice Pasture renovation/new pasture establishment		Total funding requested for practice \$9,000	
Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit \$60/acre	Number of total farms to be funded 3 or more	Total acres funded 150	
Totals acres covered beyond DATCP 150 or more		Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) \$3,000	
Practice Interseeding pastures		Total funding requested for practice \$5,000	
Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit \$50/acre	Number of total farms to be funded 4 or more	Total acres funded 100	
Totals acres covered beyond DATCP 100 or more		Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) \$1,250	
Practice Grazing cover crops		Total funding requested for practice \$5,000	
Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit \$50/acre	Number of total farms to be funded 2 or more	Total acres funded 100 acre	
Totals acres covered beyond DATCP 100 or more		Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) \$2,500	

Projects that promote continuous living cover practices are listed as a priority in the PLWPG Request for Proposals.

The group proposes the incentive payment rate for each practice they will offer. Think about **balancing a realistic cost-share rate with project impact** (how many acres you will reach). DATCP may notify successful applicants if what is proposed as a payment rate must be modified during contract development.

Ensure that the practices you will incentivize align with your work plan.

DEMONSTRATION + RESEARCH

DEMONSTRATION/RESEARCH PLOTS	
Please include the following information for any on-farm demonstrations, field trials or research plots to be conducted this year.	
Plot/Research Location Hogwallop Acres	
Plot/Research size 40 acres	Practices highlighted/evaluated Continue to monitor and evaluate this long-term comparison site of a conventional corn-soybean rotation alongside a corn-soybean-small-grain rotation managed using soil health principles.
Outreach to be conducted on this project Data collection and analysis, annual research report, pop-up field day	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demonstration Long-Term Soil Health Management in a Grain System.	<input type="checkbox"/> Research
Plot/Research Location Greenest Pastures LLC	
Plot/Research size 30 acres	Practices highlighted/evaluated This field was incorporated into the Greenest Pasture farm's rotationally grazing system, being converted from row crop to perennial pasture last year. We will host multiple site visits for farmers to see how the pasture progresses in its first year through grazing management and demonstrations for fence installation and waterline installation will occur as well.
Outreach to be conducted on this project Multiple pop-up field days (From Row-Crop to Pasture Field Day Series); a photo progress story to be included on our webpage.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demonstration Converting Row Crop to Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/> Research
Plot/Research Location Multiple farms throughout Big Blue River Watershed	
Plot/Research size TBD	Practices highlighted/evaluated Multiple farms in our group have agreed to participate in this research project about cover crop practices in Wisconsin.
Outreach to be conducted on this project Invite researchers to a board meeting to present results	
<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Research UW Citizen Science Cover Crop Survey Project

Provide as much detail about proposed demonstration and research plots as you can.

Don't skip over the outreach portion of this section.

You may refer to which goal & objectives the plots address in the 'practices evaluated' section.

You may include projects that your group is participating in as part of a larger-scale effort here.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Having a **comprehensive strategy** with a few different approaches to outreach and communication strengthens an application.

FIELD DAYS, WORKSHOPS & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES		
Please include the following information for any field days, farm tours or workshops to be conducted this year.		
Outreach activity title	Farmers of the Big Blue River Watershed Annual Meeting	
Topics planned	Soil health and water quality progress in the Big Blue Watershed	Speakers planned
		Walter Ohio, farmer & Sharon Pennsylvania, Extension professional
Outreach activity title	From Row Crop to Pasture Walk Series	
Topics planned	Multiple pasture walks featuring topics including grazing new pasture seedings, installing fence, installing waterline, rotational grazing principles	Speakers planned
		Farmer Greener, Greenest Pastures LLC
Outreach activity title	Getting Started with Soil Health: Using Rye as a Cover Crop (Obj 1.1)	
Topics planned	Tips on planting and managing rye in a dairy vs. cash grain system	Speakers planned
		Gary Soybean
Outreach activity title	Soil Health Shop Talk (Obj 1.2)	
Topics planned	How soil health can change on a farm in the first 5 years	Speakers planned
		Dr. Ruth Rhizobia, Dr. Nelson Nematode
Outreach activity title	Grazing Cover Crops Field Day (Obj 1.3)	
Topics planned	How to manage cover crop grazing, species selection, infrastructure set-up	Speakers planned
		Farmer Grazier
Outreach activity title	Diversifying Crop Rotations (Obj 1.4)	
Topics planned	Managing permanent pasture and a diverse no-till cover cropped grain rotation	Speakers planned
		Paul Producer
COMMUNICATIONS & OUTREACH		
List any planned communication and outreach efforts including any newsletters, blogs/vlogs, websites, social media, factsheets, TV/radio/newspapers, videos or similar		
1. Continue The Big Blues quarterly newsletter, highlighting updates on happenings across the Big Blue River Watershed and member farms.		
2. Feeding the Big Blue River Watershed Marketing Campaign; a series of social media efforts promoting the Big Blue River Watershed group and where to find local food/farm products in the watershed, education on the farming and conservation practices used to produce food/farm products on our member farms. Social media will be utilized leading up to an evening event for local consumers, local food businesses, farmers, and conservation partners to come together for a program on the importance of soil health management to food quality and the environment (see above).		
3. Complete our Annual Conservation Progress Report and share out to local media.		
4. Participate in the regional producer-led Soil Health on the Farm video series.		
Farmer Mentorship: Existing groups, describe any work planned for mentoring other farmers and farmer-led groups. New groups, describe any plans to learn from existing producer-led watershed groups and farmer conservation leaders. Two of our board members visited an emerging producer-led group in the adjacent county to visit with them on how to get a group started. They plan to continue to be available to them to help answer questions or generate ideas for them as they get established this upcoming year.		

Groups that put some effort into **mentoring and learning from other groups and farmers** get ranked higher. This has proven to be a metric for success. Note that **mentorship is an allowable cost** to pay for with PLWPG funds.

EXISTING GROUPS- SUCCESSSES + IMPROVEMENTS

Use this space to document your **success stories!** This information is considered when looking at the progress of a group.

FOR EXISTING GROUPS ONLY	
Describe at least one significant success of your group related to a goal achieved, a program delivered, farmer attitudes changed, or other change in the community as a result of your work in the previous grant cycle. Last year we hit our goal of a 10% increase in cover crop adoption in the watershed, demonstrating our efforts are having an impact on the living cover in the watershed.	
Describe administrative or organizational changes the group will make this year to improve the function and/or increase the impact of the group.	
1.	We will be forming an outreach committee of three farmers with at least one grazier, one alternative crops farmer on the committee to direct the planning of future outreach and education events to try to bring more farmers representing different types of enterprises and thus, opportunities for soil health management methods into our group.
2.	We will be including partnership development into the role of our group coordinator to assist us with seeking out new opportunities for financial partnerships to help increase our financial sustainability as a group.

DATCP scores existing groups (groups that are at least 2 years old) using different ranking criteria from new groups, with more emphasis placed on continuous improvement and progress.

Making changes to be **more efficient or impactful is a positive.**

Things to list here can include: changes in organizational structure, membership, partnership changes, re-iterating new efforts detailed in other parts of the application, and more.

GRANT TRACKING

TRACKING PROJECT	
Select which of the following goals and metrics your group will use to measure progress and for reporting success in addition to the tracking project. Existing groups should emphasize results-based metrics than effort-based metrics.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of hours spent on planning activities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Number of acres of conservation practices installed
<input type="checkbox"/> Completed work plan with goals and mission statement	<input type="checkbox"/> Number of farmers who have continued using a practice after accepting cost-share through your group
<input type="checkbox"/> Plan created to distribute conservation incentives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Results of testing innovative practices or techniques
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Number of outreach materials created	<input type="checkbox"/> Number of soil samples <u>taken</u> and acres covered
<input type="checkbox"/> Data collection and analysis plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attendance and outcomes at outreach events
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of group meetings and list of accomplishments	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase in number of group participants and partnerships
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Number of new farms involved in the group	<input type="checkbox"/> Number of farm assessments
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Number of new partnerships formed	<input type="checkbox"/> Coordinator position: hours spent
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Number of new sponsorships received	<input type="checkbox"/> Number of nutrient management plans developed or updated using <u>SnapPlus</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total dollars raised beyond DATCP grant	<input type="checkbox"/> Soil test P reductions
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of speaking engagements	<input type="checkbox"/> Phosphorus Index value reductions
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of mailings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-farm research results
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of newspaper articles mentioned in	<input type="checkbox"/> Long-term sustainability plans
<input type="checkbox"/> Farmer survey results	<input type="checkbox"/> Water quality monitoring completed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Results from our marketing campaign (social media engagement numbers, # of new partnerships developed from that, new farmer members, & the materials developed to be used in the future)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
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Select metrics that make sense related to measuring progress towards your identified goals and objectives. Write in any that are not included on the list provide in the application.

In addition to tracking the metrics identified in your application, each successful applicant must fill out a **Conservation Tracking Form** as part of their final grant report.

FARMER + COLLABORATOR STATEMENTS

This can be what you want to learn specifically on one of your fields, on your farm, or big picture lessons as well.

QUALIFICATIONS:
Provide the following information for at least 5 eligible farmers and at least 1 collaborator. Farm leaders and group members are required to follow all local, state and federal rules, laws and regulations.
Eligible Farmer Name: Pete Hogwallop, Hogwallop Acres
Overview of farm operation (can include acreage, livestock, production and conservation practices): 350 acres of corn, soybeans and small grains managed with cover crops, no-till, and emerging into grazing a small beef herd on cover crops.
What do you hope to learn by participating in this producer-led group? I want to learn how to refine my cover crop grazing system. I've recently acquired a small beef herd and I'd like to take advantage of spreading manure on my cover crop ground in the fall with temporary grazing and am interested in figuring out the most efficient way to do this. I also want to continue to learn how to get through to other farmers in our watershed in encouraging them towards soil health management.
If you are part of an existing group, how has your management changed since participating in this project? I've branched out considerably with cover crops and have started growing more acres of small grains each year. I've also decided to add animals back into my operation for the fertility and soil health benefits of some grazing.

The farmer and collaborator statements are important because they help the review committee in evaluating farmer commitment towards the group and the project.

In addition to talking about farm management changes, you can also talk about broader social changes you might have noticed in your community since the producer-led watershed group has been active.

Including details on collaborator and partner responsibilities in this section helps showcase project viability in addition to farmer commitment.

ADDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Please provide any additional details about your project that will help reviewers assess your project need and merit. This could include, but is not limited to:

- Timeline of activities proposed
- Partnerships with other agencies, agricultural groups producer-led watershed groups, or agricultural professionals to strengthen and leverage your efforts (ex. Implement dealers, crop consultants, UW-Extension agents, etc.) Letters of support are welcomed.
- Incorporation of nutrient management and DATCP Nutrient Management Farmer Education grants

2024 Annual Timeline of Work

January:

- Finalize data summary of conservation practice survey
- Annual winter workshop
- Board meeting

February:

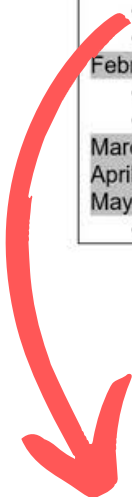
- Complete 2023 Progress Report; share out to membership, local media, and partners
- Attend DATCP Producer-Led Annual Grants Workshop

March: Board meeting

April: Soil Health Shop Talk

May: Board meeting

- First pasture walk in pasture walk series



Including a **timeline** can help show the review committee that the group has thought through how they will execute their work plan.

Sharing information about **partnerships** key to accomplishing your project can be helpful.

This section can strengthen your application and provides an opportunity to share additional information about your proposed project.

BUDGET SECTION

BUDGET REQUEST						
<i>Please add rows as necessary. Staff time must be separated out within eligible expenses.</i>						
	Budget Category	Eligible Expense	Matching Funds	Source of Matching Funds	Grant Request	
DATCP USE ONLY	Budget Category - Choose one: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation Practices • Conservation Demonstrations and Education • Promotional Activities • Administrative 	Sub-budget Category	Must contribute 1:1 matching funds. For example, if you are requesting \$20,000, you must provide a match of at least \$20,000. Match does not need to be line item by line item.		Please indicate the total amount of grant funds requested for each line item.	
	1.	Conservation Practices	Incentives_Cover Crops	\$ 12,750	Producer Match	\$ 12,750
	2.	Conservation Practices	Incentives_Other (Pasture Ren.)	\$ 9,000	Producer Match	\$ 9,000
	3.	Conservation Practices	Incentives_Other (Interseed Pastures)	\$ 5,000	Producer Match	\$ 5,000
	4.	Conservation Practices	Incentives_Other (Graze Cover Crops)	\$ 5,000	Producer Match	\$ 5,000
	5.	Administrative	Staffing	\$ 5,000	Expand Your Soil Horizons	\$ 2,000
	6.	Conservation Demonstration & Education	Demonstration/Research Plots	\$ 12,000	SARE Farmer Research & Education Grant	\$ 2,000
	7.	Conservation Demonstration & Education	Field Days/ Tech Days	\$		\$ 1,000
	8.	Conservation Demonstration & Education	Educational Workshops	\$		\$ 2,000
	9.			\$		\$
10.			\$		\$	
Total Match Amount:			\$ 48,750	Total Request:	\$ 38,750	

Double-check that your **match amounts are correct** and that you've met the required 1:1 match and at least 50% cash match requirement.

Match does not have to be recorded line item for line item.



Make sure your budget requests match the activities you've outlined in your grant proposal. Refer to the RFP for a list of eligible vs. ineligible costs and guidance on match.

OTHER RESOURCES

- [Application Form and Request for Proposals](#)
- [Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant Program Frequently Asked Questions Guide](#)
- [Managing Your Producer-Led Grant Webinar](#)
- [Producer-Led Group Roadmap: Finding Success in Farmer-Led Watershed Organizations](#)
- [Guide to Partnerships for Producer-Led Watershed Groups](#)
- [Grant Reporting Forms](#)

***Don't hesitate to reach out with questions
about your application!***



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