2022/2023 Small Acreage Cover Crop Program

General Instructions

- Growers applying for 5 acres or less of cover crop implementation are eligible
- Complete the application providing the following information within the fillable form:
 - o Applicant's social security number or Federal ID number
 - Applicant name and Farm Name
 - Contact information
 - If the operation has a current nutrient management plan and/or soil and water conservation plan
 - Estimated area of cover crop
 - Planting method (refer to agreement for selection definitions)
 - Vendor and item description
 - Estimated cost.
- Required documents to submit with the application and agreement are:
 - Map of the location of the cover crop (this can be an aerial photograph or hand-drawn sketch)
 - Soil sample results and lab recommendations for nutrient application, or UM Extension recommendations based on soil test results, or Nutrient Management Certification form.
- Send signed application and agreement to:
 - MD Department of Agriculture
 Conservation Grants
 c/o Bill Tharpe
 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Rm 207
 Annapolis, MD 21401
- For questions about the Small Acreage Cover Crop Program, please contact Bill Tharpe at 410-980-6160 or bill.tharpe@maryland.gov