

Small Acreage Cover Crop Program

General Instructions

- Growers applying for less than (10) acres qualifying for cover crops are eligible
- Complete the application providing the following information within the fillable form:
 - Applicant's social security number or Federal ID number (must match w9 form)
 - Applicant name and Farm Name (must match w9 form)
 - 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)
 - Nutrient Management Certification form or Nutrient Management Waiver.
- Send signed application, agreement, and documents to:
 - Via postal service:
 - MD Department of Agriculture
Conservation Grants
c/o Bill Tharpe
50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Rm 207
Annapolis, MD 21401
 - Via electronic submission:
 - bill.tharpe@maryland.gov
- For questions about the Small Acreage Cover Crop Program, please contact Bill Tharpe at 410-980-6160 or bill.tharpe@maryland.gov