Policy and Procedures

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A. Introduction

Richland County Conservation District (RCCD) has created a cost share program with funds received from Richland County. This project is re-evaluated every year and may not be available year to year.

B. Goals and Objectives

Provide financial assistances for natural resource improvements within Richland County.

C. Policies and Procedures

The Richland County Conservation District's financial assistance will be guided by the following polices:

- 1. Available to any private sector landowner with property in Richland County
- 2. Practices that benefit the Natural Resources of Richland County are eligible
- 3. Only on the ground projects are eligible (studies or research projects will be considered at the conservation district boards discretion)
- 4. Design standards and Specifications will follow Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) where applicable. Cost Share assistance from the Conservation District would be 50% of the cost recommended on the NRCS cost list, and limited to \$5000.
- 5. Applications will be accepted from Jan 1–Feb 28 for each year. Applications will be ranked and contracts awarded by March 31st each year. Applicants may be interviewed by committee prior to ranking. Additional signups may be conducted based on availability of funds.
- 6. Proposed practices must be completed within one year of approval. Payment will be issued upon completion of project. Projects will be inspected before cost share is allocated.
- 7. Projects started prior to a signed contract are not eligible for cost share.
- 8. RCCD Board of Supervisors will make all decisions on prioritizing and funding of applications
- 9. Funding is limited to \$10,000 per applicant in a 5 year period.
- 10. If you have received cost share funding from another public entity in the previous 5 years you are not eligible for this program.
- 11. Administration fee of 5% will be deducted from the \$50,000.00 available for assistance.

Signature of Applicant	Data	
Signature or Applicant	Date	



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Richland County Conservation Cost Share Program Application

- Wells
- Pipelines
- Tanks
- Fences
- Grass seeding
- Erosion control
- Soil health
- Wind breaks
- Gated pipe
- Any other conservation practice that enhances the Natural Resources in Richland County

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2016 COST-SHARE APPLICATION

Application Deadline: February 28, 2016

Fill out all questions completely including proposed costs. <u>Incomplete applications will not be processed.</u> A sketch or plan map must accompany each application with the location of each proposed practice clearly indicated on it.

Name	Email
Mailing Address	City/Town
State	Zip CodeTelephone
Contact Person	
Address if different fr	om applicant
Landowner and/or les	see name, address, telephone (if other than applicant)
PROJECT INFORM	IATION
Location: ¹ / ₄ , ¹ / ₄ , ¹	4, Section, Township, Range Nearest Town
# of Acres project be	enefits acres. (Total acres impacted by project)
*Brief Project Descr	iption
*PROJECT BENEF benefited?	ITS: Which natural resources will be benefited and how will they be
*List other conservati	on measures that will be employed to complement the project:

Public Benefit: How does your project benefit the public?
*Describe the consequences to soil & water resources if this project is not funded.
Proposed Practices (check all that apply): [] Streambank/shoreline protection [] Wildfire rehabilitation [] Pest mgmt/weed control [] Stream channel stabilization [] Grass/forb seedings [] Wildlife habitat improveme [] Tree/shrub plantings [] spring development [] Fencing for livestock mgmt [] rubber water diverters to minimize pasture and rangeland road erosion [] Wetland restoration [] Grassed waterways [] Stock water pipeline [] Trough or tank (stock water [] Restoration and improvement of native plant communities [] Other [] Irrigation delivery ditch upgrade [] Wells
COST OF PROJECT (cost breakdown required per practice):
Practice Description Unit Amount Cost per Unit Total Cost B)
Amount Requested from District \$
(no more than 50% of total project cost allowed, with a maximum of \$5,000/project) Have you received any other cost share funds in the last 5 years? Yes No (Circle) Please explain Contribution from other sources \$ List other sources:
SIGNATURE:
I (we) hereby declare that the information, and all statements attached to this application are true complete, and accurate to the best of my (our) knowledge.
Applicant SignatureDate
Sponsor (if applicable)

Use extra paper if necessary. Be as detailed as possible. Include map with as details marked on map.
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