



AgWRAP COOPERATOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Conservation Irrigation Conversion



Cooperator Name: _____

Date: _____

Tract/Field: _____

County: _____

The following items provide important information regarding AgWRAP policies pertaining to Conservation Irrigation Conversion. Carefully read through each of the items and initial on the line to acknowledge that you have read and understand the information.

This form should be filled out with the assistance of local Soil and Water Conservation District staff so that they may provide further explanation and answer any questions that arise.

_____ The irrigation conversion is intended to modify an existing irrigation system to increase efficiency and uniformity of irrigation water. The cooperator must currently have an irrigation system in place to take part in this BMP.

_____ Please mark which Conservation Irrigation Conversion you are planning. Allowable conversion types are as follows:

- Any irrigation system, including hand watering, to micro-irrigation
- Center-pivot and lateral move irrigation to drop nozzles or low-pressure spray nozzles
- Traveling gun system to center-pivot or lateral move system using drop nozzles or low-pressure spray
 - Towable center-pivots are eligible when conversion to center-pivot (with drop nozzles or low-pressure spray), however, cost share amount will be based upon the largest single pivot area for which the conversion is planned
- Installation of end-gun shutoff devices on existing irrigation equipment

_____ Flow meters are required to be installed as near to the water supply as practical to monitor flow rates, detect leaks, and clogs in the system. These devices are cost shareable.

_____ Only one irrigation conversion system per cooperator/farming operation is allowed.

_____ Cooperator or technical representatives must develop and follow an irrigation water management plan and an operation and maintenance plan.

_____ Backflow prevention devices are required to be installed if the system is used in conjunction with fertigation or chemigation or a potable water source is used for irrigation. These devices are cost shareable.

_____ The minimum life expectancy for the irrigation conversion system is 10 years.



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Alternative solutions to address the inadequate water supply resource concern or other resource concerns will be considered and evaluated.

All Conservation Irrigation Conversion systems must be certified by a professional engineer, an NC licensed irrigation contractor, a person certified by the National Irrigation Association, a USDA NRCS Technical Service Provider with Conservation Activity Plans (CAP) 118 authorization, or an individual with appropriate job approval authority.

The AgWRAP cost share rates for Conservation Irrigation Conversion INSTALLATION are as follows:

Applicant Type	Cost Share Rate	Maximum Reimbursement
Standard	75% of actual costs per receipts	\$25,000
New or Limited Resource Farmer*	90% of actual costs per receipts	\$30,000
Enhanced Voluntary Agriculture District#		

* Certified using NC-ACSPs-1E # Certified using county enrollment records.

The AgWRAP cost share rates for Conservation Irrigation Conversion DESIGN are as follows:

Applicant Type	Cost Share Rate	Maximum Reimbursement
Standard	75% of actual costs per receipts	\$5,000
New or Limited Resource Farmer*	90% of actual costs per receipts	\$7,500
Enhanced Voluntary Agriculture District#		

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I intend to use the following design/engineering assistance:

- I plan to hire my own irrigation professional
- I plan to use District design assistance
- I request Division engineering assistance, understanding that Division assistance is limited and may lead to delays during the design process.

I acknowledge by my signature below that I have read and understand the policies listed above.

PRINT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____