

2024 Conservation Commission Approved Practices Costs

Practice ^{1&3}	Unit	Unit Cost ² (specified Max.)
Grass Seeding: (with seedbed prep & operation) Seed: Tame Native grass mix Native grass/Native Forbs Mix Mulching	Ac. Ac. Ac. Ac.	\$50.00 \$120.00 \$245.00 \$300.00
Grazing management: Pipeline: Plastic above ground HDPE (below ground) PVC up to 1 1/4" PVC 1 1/2" to 2" (below ground) PVC 3" (below ground) Tanks: Freeze-proof with base Steel rim w/flex. bottom Standard tank installation w/base Fountain type water tanks Pasture pumps (nose pumps) Alternative energy pumps Rural water hookups Dugout construction ⁴ Dam construction or repair Wells- Steel or copper/plastic Fencing: electric barbed wire Specialized protective fence Temporary fence Seeding (see grass seeding rates)	L.f. L.f. L.f. L.f. L.f. Gal. Gal. Gal. Ea. Ea. Ea. Ea. Ea. Surf Ac. L.f. L.f. L.f. L.f. L.f. L.f.	\$1.80 \$2.00 \$2.70 \$3.10/\$3.60 \$4.10 \$2.15 \$0.69 \$1.60 case-by-case \$670.00 case-by-case \$3,500.00 \$3,500.00 \$3,000.00 \$ 36.00/\$38.00 \$0.63 \$1.06 \$0.15 additional \$0.10
Brush Control: Mechanical	Hr.	\$175.00 not to exceed 30 hrs/landowner
Tree planting: Site prep. (tilled/non-tilled areas) Shrubs & planting: Trees & planting: Handplants (bareroot/container) Weed & pest control: ⁵ Fabric weed barrier & install Fabric squares and staple Chemical/Mechanical Tree protectors (with stake) Tree protector installation	Ac. L.f. L.f. Each L.f. Each Ac. Each Each	\$25.00/\$50.00 \$0.49 \$0.47 \$2.00/3.75 \$0.75 \$3.00 \$50/200 \$7.25 \$1.70

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Soil Health: Cover Crop (inc. seedbed prep. & operation)	Ac.	\$28.16 not to exceed 160 Ac. per land operator (first time user) and for one time per land unit
General Water Quality: Abandoned well sealing	Each	\$500.00
Shelterbelt renovation: Sod control, chem. & mechanical Dead tree removal (above grd.) Dead tree removal (incl. roots)	Ac. Ac. Ac.	\$200.00 \$2,800.00 \$6,100.00
Fabricated Windbreak:	L.f.	\$16.62
Earthwork & Erosion Control: w/dragline Excavation Excavation Class S Earthfill Diversions/water retention/water spreading (for erosion control) 0-2% slope .27 cu.yd./ft 2-4% slope .34 cu.yd./ft 4-6% slope .44 cu.yd./ft Terracing Waterway (<25 ft/>25 ft)	Cu. Yd. Cu. Yd. Hr. Cu. Yd. L.f. L.f. L.f. L.f. L.f.	\$2.00 \$1.78 \$175.00 \$2.08 \$0.60 \$0.97 \$1.42 \$2.10 \$2.10/2.90
Grade/Shoreline stabilization: Rock riprap Rock filled wire baskets Livestock crossing (rock & gravel) Straw bales Willow planting	Cu. Yd. Cu. Yd. Sq. Ft. Ea. Ea.	\$50.00 \$200.00 \$2.50 \$1.50 \$0.20
Animal nutrient systems: ⁶ Engineering Construction (see earthwork) Monosloped/hoop barn waste sys	Ea. Animal Unit	\$15,000.00 \$100.00
Technical Assistance: I & E		(Case-by-Case Basis)
Forest Stand Improvement: Thinning Slash Disposal Mechanical Root Stimulation Wildlife Exclusion Fencing	Ac. Ac. Hr. L.f.	\$1,500.00 \$300.00 \$175.00 \$1.80

* Conservation Commission cost-share is not to be used to replace other available cost-share

* Landowner labor can be counted as in-kind match only at a rate of \$25.00 per hour for installation of approved practices. Landowner use of equipment can also be counted as in-kind match towards the local match requirements.

- All practices must meet state & local ordinances (such as distance from roadway to prevent excessive snow deposition, power-line & other right-of-way standards, etc).
- Payment based on actual bills/receipts submitted by the producer. Cost-share paid on legitimate costs up to the specified maximum.
- All cost-shared practices require a Resource Management Plan (practice plan).
- Clean outs on dugouts not cost-shared within the expected lifespan of the practice.
- Payment will be made on either fabric or chemical/mechanical weed & pest control for tree plantings but not both on an individual site.
- Monoslope/hoop barn must be replacing an existing animal feeding operation and the existing lots must be abandoned and reclaimed.

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11-27-23

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2024 Conservation Commission Cost-share Percentages

Practice ^{1, & 3}	Max. Cost-share for this purpose/location	Minimum Landowner Cash ₂
<u>Grass Seeding:</u>		
Seed	Wildfire rehabilitation 50%	----- 25%
Mulching	Riparian Protection 50%	----- 25%
	Critical Area 50%	-----25%
	Waterway 50%	-----25%
	General livestock needs: 30%	
<u>Grazing management:</u>		
Pipeline	Practices used for:	
Tanks & wells	- riparian protection: 50%	----- 25%
Pasture pumps	- general livestock needs: 30%	----- 25%
Fencing		
Dugouts or dams	Exclusion fencing for upland shelterbelt protection: 50%	----- 25%
Seeding		
Rural water hook-ups (livestock portion only)		
Solar power		
<u>Brush Control</u>		
Mechanical	----- 50%	----- 25%
<u>General Water Quality:</u>		
Abandoned Well Sealing	----- 30%	----- 25%
<u>Tree planting:</u>		
Site preparation	----- 40%	----- 25%
Shrubs & planting	----- 50%	----- 25%
Trees & planting	----- 50%	----- 25%
Weed & pest control: ⁵		
Fabric weed barrier & install	----- 50%	----- 25%
Fabric squares and staple	----- 50%	----- 25%
Chemical/Mechanical	----- 40%	----- 25%
Tree protectors	----- 50%	----- 25%
Tree protector installation	-----50%	----- 25%

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<u>Soil Health:</u>		
Cover Crop	----- 50%	----- 25%
<u>Shelterbelt renovation:</u>		
	Sod control, chem. & mechanical 40%	----- 25%
	With dead tree removal (above ground) 40%	----- 25%
	With dead tree removal (incl. roots) 25%	----- 25%
<u>Fabricated Windbreak:</u>		
	Animal health 40%	----- 25%
	Riparian protection 50%	----- 25%
<u>Earthwork Erosion Control:</u>		
Excavation	Waterway 50%	----- 25%
	Gully stabilization 50%	----- 25%
	Terracing 50%	----- 25%
	Diversions/water retention/water spreading (erosion control) 50%	----- 25%
	Animal nutrient system 50%	----- 25%
<u>Grade/Shoreline stabilization:</u>		
Rock riprap	Lakes/streams/creeks 40%	----- 25%
Rock filled wire baskets	Fire rehabilitation 50%	----- 25%
Straw bales		
Livestock crossing		
<u>Animal Nutrient Systems:</u>⁶		
Engineering	----- 50%	----- 25%
Construction (see earthwork)		
Monosloped/hoop barn waste sys	----- 50%	----- 25%
<u>Technical Assistance I & E</u>	(Case-by-case basis with other local match)	NA
<u>Forest Stand Improvement:</u>⁷	50%	----- 25%

- All practices must meet state & local ordinances (roadway snow deposition, power-line & other right-of-way standards, etc).
- Required cash contribution by the landowner. This cannot be covered by in-kind contribution or paid by other local, state or federal cash funds. Any additional cash available for the project, should be used to reduce the Conservation Commission's share, not that of the landowner.
- All cost-shared practices require a Resource Management Plan (practice plan).
- Clean outs on dugouts not cost-shared within the expected lifespan of the practice.
- Payment will be made on either fabric or chemical/mechanical weed & pest control for tree plantings but not both on an individual site.
- Monoslope/hoop barn must be replacing an existing animal feeding operation and the existing lots must be abandoned and reclaimed.
- Landowner labor can be used to meet the minimum landowner cash match requirements for Forest Stand Improvement projects.

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