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| DATCP Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant Proposal |
| The Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant program is authorized under s.93.59 Wis. Stats and ATCP 52, Wis. Admin. Code. |
| Any personally identifiable information, as defined under s. 19.62(5), Stats., requested on this form may be used for purposes other than that for which it is originally being collected (s. 15.04 (1) (m), Wis. Stats.). Confidentiality of this information will be maintained to the extent authorized by law. Completion of this form is required to apply for a Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant. *(s. 15.04(1)(m), Wis. Stats., and s. ATCP 52.03(1), Wis. Admin. Code)*. |
| GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION |
| NAME OF PRODUCER-LED GROUP Farmers of the Big Blue River     |
| LEAD CONTACT NAME Ulysses Everett McGill     | E-MAIL whereartthou@gmail.com    | PHONE NUMBER: (222) 322 - 8888 |
| MAILING ADDRESS STREET OF ENTITY TO BE PAID 123 Dirt Rd.    | CITY Farmtown    | STATE WI  | ZIP52222 |
| LEAD FARMER NAME Delmar O'Donnell     | E-MAIL uwasatoad@hotmail.com   | PHONE NUMBER: (888) 111 - 4444 |
| FISCAL MANAGER OF GROUP (if different from lead contact above) Pete Hogwallop     | E-MAIL yourstruly@aol.com     | PHONE NUMBER: (999) 333 - 3333 |
| GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTED: $ 40,000  |
| PROJECT TITLE (12 words or less):  Promoting soil health, water quality improvement and farm profitability in the Big Blue River watershed. |
| WATERSHED NAME and HUC NUMBER (ex. Rock River Watershed, 705000706):  000000000000  Note: Participants within your group must reside within the same watershed project area. See the DATCP webpage to determine your group’s watershed. |
| PROJECT SCOPE |
| Question 1a: Number of eligible agricultural producers currently participating in producer-led group  12    |
| For the definition of an eligible farm, please review the RFP.  |
| Number of farmers on governing body (group leaders/board members)  4   |
| Number of total members (farm or non-farm) in group  16    |
| GRANT IMPACT REPORTING  |
| Question 1b: Types of farming operations participating in producer-led group (check all that apply) |
| [x]  Dairy | [x]  Beef | [ ]  Swine | [x]  Sheep | [ ]  Goat | [ ]  Poultry |
| [ ]  Exotics | [x]  Grazing | [x]  Cash grain/forage | [ ]  Vegetable | [ ]  Certified organic | [ ]  Other     |
| Question 1c: Total acres included on farms within producer-led group |
|  7,000     Cropland |  2,000   Pasture |  50     Orchard |       Vineyard |  10    Managed grassland/CRP |
|  200   Managed forest |       Managed wetlands | [ ]  Other       |
| Question 1e: What are the main resource concerns the group will address? Check top three concerns. |
| [x]  Surface water quality | [ ]  Surface water quantity | [x]  Groundwater quality | [ ]  Groundwater quantity  |
| [ ]  Soil erosion | [x]  Soil health | [ ]  Nutrient management | [ ]  Flooding |
| [ ]  Habitat degradation | [ ]  Streambank erosion | [ ]  Other       |
| WORK PLAN |
| Please list the group’s vision and mission statements. Outline the goals and objectives for this year’s work plan. Include details on how your work plan addresses water quality, soil health and other resource concerns you intend to address. |
| Vision statement To catalyze the adoption of diverse soil health systems management on farms across the Big Blue Watershed, leading to water quality improvement and increased farm financial stability.   |
| Mission statement  Create opportunities for farmers in the Big Blue Watershed to learn about and ease the transition into soil health management systems through education, outreach, and conservation incentives.     |
| Goals & Objectives  Goal 1: Deliver four educational events for farmers of varying levels of soil health adoption.Objective 1.1: Organize and host one field day on a member farm highlighting tips on how to plant and manage rye in a dairy vs. cash grain operation (beginning soil health farmer audience).Objective 1.2: Host a shop talk featuring two soil health experts to talk about how soil health changes in the first five years after implementing soil health practices (intermediate soil health farmer audience).Objective 1.3: Host a field day on a member farm on how to get started with grazing cover crops (intermediate-advanced soil health farmer audience).Objective 1.4: Organize a farm tour on a member farm showcasing a farm under continuous living cover managing a permanent pasture rotational grazing system as well as a no-till diverse cash grain system with cover crops.    Goal 2: Increase conservation practice acres implemented by member farms by 10% by 2025.Objective 2.1: Continue to provide financial assistance to farmers in our watershed through our conservation incentive program offerings; refine program offerings annually to best serve needs of farmers in our community.Objective 2.2: Conduct at least two conservation practice demonstrations annually to provide educational opportunities for area farmers on how to integrate soil health and conservation into their farm management.Goal 3: Engage 2-5 farms annually representing different operation and management types in our group's mission and activities.Objective 3.1: Develop an outreach committee of three farmers and a conservation partner to guide our annual communications and outreach plan. At least one farm must represent a rotational grazing farm and another must represent an alternative crops farm (vegetable, fruit, cranberries, food-grade grains, etc.).Objective 3.2: Expand our conservation incentive program offerings to include grazing practices and other rotational practices.Goal 4: Increase partnerships (financial and other areas of support) with 1-2 organizations annually.Objective 4.1: Hire a marketing company to assist us with developing of marketing materials and a marketing campaign to solicit more interest from local and other businesses to partner with our cause.Objective 4.2: Modify our outreach coordinator's workplan to include development and financial partnership scoping as 25% of the position's workload.    |
| Organization of governing structure |
| Governance structure: | [x]  Board of Directors | [ ]  Officers | [ ]  Other       |
| How governance roles are filled:  | [x]  Elections | [ ]  Appointment | [ ]  Other       |
| Frequency of meetings | Number of governing structure meetings per year  8    |
| MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) & COLLABORATOR ROLES |
| Select which entity you are creating a MOU with. You must include a copy of the MOU with your submission.  |
| [ ]  County LCC | [ ]  DNR | [ ]  UW Extension | [ ]  Discovery Farms |
| [x]  Non-Profit Conservation Organization (list):  Expand Your Soil Horizons    |
| Role of collaborating entity in producer-led group (check all that apply) |
| [ ]  Identification of projects and goals | [x]  Communications and public relations |
| [ ]  Project development and execution | [x]  Other  Organizing conservation incentive programs     |
| [x]  Financial management and fundraising | [x]  Other  Assistance with executing outreach events     |
| Existing groups – Have you changed collaborators over time? | [ ]  Yes | [x]  No |
| If yes, what led you to switch collaborators? |       |
| MEMBERSHIP & PARTICIPATION |
| New members/participants recruited in previous grant cycle (if applying as an existing group) |
| Number of new members/participants recruited  4    |
| Membership/participation recruitment goal for this year |
| Goal for number of new members/participants   2    |
| Previous successful membership recruitment activities (existing groups) or any initial work planning meetings (new groups) |
| 1. Annual winter kick-off meeting; for the last two years we host a meeting to kick-off the group activities for the year and at this meeting we set aside time to introduce our group's mission and goals and how to get involved.
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| 1. Networking at field events; our board makes an effort to talk with farmers at our field events and makes personal invitations to upcoming meetings or events when appropriate.
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| 1. We joined the Southeast Regional Team and have been sharing our events through the Regional Team Coordinator and the email list that they curate.
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| Planned membership recruitment activities |
| 1. We plan to partner with Down to the River Marketing Group to develop a marketing campaign to area businesses to help us grow financial and overall support for our organization.
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| 1. We are working with a non-member farmer right now to develop a small-scale field demonstration on their farm.
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| 1. We will be offering grazing and pasture-related conservation incentives to attempt to increase the relevance of our offerings to broader types of farms.
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| Historical producer-led group total membership |
| 1st YEAR Funded |   5    Total membership | 5th YEAR Funded |       Total membership |
| 2nd YEAR Funded |   12    Total membership | 6th YEAR Funded |       Total membership |
| 3rd YEAR Funded |   16   Total membership | 7th YEAR Funded |       Total membership |
| 4th YEAR Funded: |       Total membership | 8th YEAR Funded |       Total membership |
| CONSERVATION PRACTICE PROGRAM OFFERINGS |
| Please include all practices that your group plans to offer as part of an incentive/cost-share program this year. Fill out the supporting information in light grey if available.NOTE: Payments cannot be made through this program to the same farm on the same acres for more than three years |
| Practice  Single-species cover crops     | Total funding requested for practice  $6,000     |
| Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit**$30/acre**  | Number of total farms to be funded **4 or more** | Total acres funded **200** |
| Totals acres covered beyond DATCP **400 or more** | Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) **$1,500** |
| Practice  Multi-species cover crops after small grains     | Total funding requested for practice  $6,750     |
| Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit **$45/acre**  | Number of total farms to be funded **3 or more** | Total acres funded **150** |
| Totals acres covered beyond DATCP **150 or more** | Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) **$2,250** |
| Practice  Pasture renovation/new pasture establishment     | Total funding requested for practice  $9,000     |
| Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit **$60/acre**  | Number of total farms to be funded **3 or more** | Total acres funded **150** |
| Totals acres covered beyond DATCP **150 or more** | Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) **$3,000** |
| Practice  Interseeding pastures     | Total funding requested for practice  $5,000    |
| Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit **$50/acre**  | Number of total farms to be funded **4 more more** | Total acres funded **100** |
| Totals acres covered beyond DATCP **100 more more** | Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) **$1,250** |
| Practice  Grazing cover crops     | Total funding requested for practice  $5,000   |
| Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit **$50/acre**  | Number of total farms to be funded **2 or more** | Total acres funded **100 acre** |
| Totals acres covered beyond DATCP **100 or more** | Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) **$2,500** |
| Practice       | Total funding requested for practice       |
| Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit | Number of total farms to be funded | Total acres funded |
| Totals acres covered beyond DATCP | Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) |
| Practice       | Total funding requested for practice       |
| Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit | Number of total farms to be funded | Total acres funded |
| Totals acres covered beyond DATCP | Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) |
| Practice       | Total funding requested for practice       |
| Incentive payment offered per acre/per unit | Number of total farms to be funded | Total acres funded |
| Totals acres covered beyond DATCP | Maximum payment per farmer (if applicable) |
| DEMONSTRATION/RESEARCH PLOTS |
| Please include the following information for any on-farm demonstrations, field trials or research plots to be conducted this year. |
| Plot/Research Location  Hogwallop Acres     |
| Plot/Research size  40 acres     | Practices highlighted/evaluated  Continue to monitor and evaluate this long-term comparison site of a conventional corn-soybean rotation alongside a corn-soybean-small-grain rotation managed using soil health principles.      |
| Outreach to be conducted on this project  Data collection and analysis, annual research report, pop-up field day     |
| [x]  Demonstration  Long-Term Soil Health Management in a Grain System.   | [ ]  Research       |
| Plot/Research Location  Greenest Pastures LLC     |
| Plot/Research size  30 acres     | Practices highlighted/evaluated  This field was incorporated into the Greenest Pasture farm's rotationally grazing system, being converted from row crop to perennial pasture last year. We will host multiple site visits for farmers to see how the pasture progresses in its first year through grazing management and demonstrations for fence installation and waterline installation will occur as well.   |
| Outreach to be conducted on this project  Multiple pop-up field days (From Row-Crop to Pasture Field Day Series); a photo progress story to be included on our webpage.  |
| [x]  Demonstration  Converting Row Crop to Pasture     | [ ]  Research       |
| Plot/Research Location  Multiple farms throughout Big Blue River Watershed     |
| Plot/Research size  TBD     | Practices highlighted/evaluated  Multiple farms in our group have agreed to participate in this research project about cover crop practices in Wisconsin.   |
| Outreach to be conducted on this project Invite researchers to a board meeting to present results  |
| [ ]  Demonstration       | [x]  Research  UW Citizen Science Cover Crop Survey Project   |
| FIELD DAYS, WORKSHOPS & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES |
| Please include the following information for any field days, farm tours or workshops to be conducted this year. |
| Outreach activity title  Farmers of the Big Blue River Watershed Annual Meeting    |
| Topics planned  Soil health and water quality progress in the Big Blue Watershed     | Speakers planned  Walter Ohio, farmer & Sharon Pennsylvania, Extension professional     |
| Outreach activity title  From Row Crop to Pasture Walk Series     |
| Topics planned  Multiple pasture walks featuring topics including grazing new pasture seedings, installing fence, installing waterline, rotational grazing principles     | Speakers planned  Farmer Greener, Greenest Pastures LLC   |
| Outreach activity title  "Feeding the Big Blue River Watershed" Local Food Dinner     |
| Topics planned  Ticketed event for community members to attend and enjoy a dinner prepared from local farms in the watershed. Programming for the evening will touch on where to find local food/farm products in the Big Blue River Watershed and education on the farming and conservation practices used to produce food/farm products on our member farms. Social media will be utilized leading up to an evening event for local consumers, local food businesses, farmers, and conservation partners to come together for a program on the importance of soil health management to food quality and the environment.    | Speakers planned  Mary Land, local farmer. Ned Conserve, conservation professional.  |
| Outreach activity title  Getting Started with Soil Health: Using Rye as a Cover Crop (Obj 1.1)   |
| Topics planned  Tips on planting and managing rye in a dairy vs. cash grain system     | Speakers planned  Gary Soybean    |
| Outreach activity title  Soil Health Shop Talk (Obj 1.2)   |
| Topics planned  How soil health can change on a farm in the first 5 years    | Speakers planned  Dr. Ruth Rhizobia, Dr. Nelson Nematode     |
| Outreach activity title  Grazing Cover Crops Field Day (Obj 1.3)   |
| Topics planned  How to manage cover crop grazing, species selection, infrastructure set-up     | Speakers planned  Farmer Grazier    |
| Outreach activity title  Diversifying Crop Rotations (Obj 1.4)  |
| Topics planned  Managing permanent pasture and a diverse no-till cover cropped grain rotation   | Speakers planned  Paul Producer  |
| COMMUNICATIONS & OUTREACH |
| List any planned communication and outreach efforts including any newsletters, blogs/vlogs, websites, social media, factsheets, TV/radio/newspapers, videos or similar 1. Continue The Big Blues quarterly newsletter, highlighting updates on happenings across the Big Blue River Watershed and member farms. 2. Feeding the Big Blue River Watershed Marketing Campaign; a series of social media efforts promoting the Big Blue River Watershed group and where to find local food/farm products in the watershed, education on the farming and conservation practices used to produce food/farm products on our member farms. Social media will be utilized leading up to an evening event for local consumers, local food businesses, farmers, and conservation partners to come together for a program on the importance of soil health management to food quality and the environment (see above). 3. Complete our Annual Conservation Progress Report and share out to local media. 4. Participate in the regional producer-led Soil Health on the Farm video series.     |
| Farmer Mentorship: Existing groups, describe any work planned for mentoring other farmers and farmer-led groups. New groups, describe any plans to learn from existing producer-led watershed groups and farmer conservation leaders  Two of our board members visited an emerging producer-led group in the adjacent county to visit with them on how to get a group started. They plan to continue to be available to them to help answer questions or generate ideas for them as they get established this upcoming year.     |
| FOR EXISTING **GROUPS** ONLY |
| Describe at least one significant success of your group related to a goal achieved, a program delivered, farmer attitudes changed, or other change in the community as a result of your work in the previous grant cycle  Last year we hit our goal of a 10% increase in cover crop adoption in the watershed, demonstrating our efforts are having an impact on the living cover in the watershed.     |
| Describe administrative or organizational changes the group will make this year to improve the function and/or increase the impact of the group. |
| 1. We will be forming an outreach committee of three farmers with at least one grazier, one alternative crops farmer on the committee to direct the planning of future outreach and education events to try to bring more farmers representing different types of enterprises and thus, opportunities for soil health management methods into our group.
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| 1. We will be including partnership development into the role of our group coordinator to assist us with seeking out new opportunities for financial partnerships to help increase our financial sustainability as a group.
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| TRACKING PROJECT  |
| Select which of the following goals and metrics your group will use to measure progress and for reporting success in addition to the tracking project. Existing groups should emphasize results-based metrics than effort-based metrics. |
| [ ]  Number of hours spent on planning activities | [x]  Number of acres of conservation practices installed |
| [ ]  Completed work plan with goals and mission statement | [ ]  Number of farmers who have continued using a practice  after accepting cost-share through your group |
| [ ]  Plan created to distribute conservation incentives |
| [x]  Number of outreach materials created  | [x]  Results of testing innovative practices or techniques |
| [ ]  Data collection and analysis plan | [ ]  Number of soil samples taken and acres covered |
| [ ]  Number of group meetings and list of accomplishments  | [x]  Attendance and outcomes at outreach events |
| [x]  Number of new farms involved in the group | [ ]  Increase in number of group participants and partnerships |
| [x]  Number of new partnerships formed | [ ]  Number of farm assessments |
| [x]  Number of new sponsorships received | [ ]  Coordinator position: hours spent |
| [x]  Total dollars raised beyond DATCP grant | [ ]  Number of nutrient management plans developed or updated using SnapPlus |
| [ ]  Number of speaking engagements |
| [ ]  Number of mailings | [ ]  Soil test P reductions |
| [ ]  Number of newspaper articles mentioned in | [ ]  Phosphorus Index value reductions |
| [ ]  Farmer survey results | [x]  On-farm research results |
| [ ]  Water quality monitoring plan | [ ]  Long-term sustainability plans |
| [x]  Other:  Results from our marketing campaign (social media engagement numbers, # of new partnerships developed from that, new farmer members, & the materials developed to be used in the future)     | [ ]  Water quality monitoring completed |
| [ ]  Other:       | [ ]  Other:       |
| [ ]  Other:       | [ ]  Other:       |
| [ ]  Other:       | [ ]  Other:       |
| QUALIFICATIONS:  |
| Provide the following information for at least 5 eligible farmers and at least 1 collaborator. Farm leaders and group members are required to follow all local, state and federal rules, laws and regulations. |
| Eligible Farmer Name:  Pete Hogwallop, Hogwallop Acres     |
| Overview of farm operation (can include acreage, livestock, production and conservation practices):  350 acres of corn, soybeans and small grains managed with cover crops, no-till, and emerging into grazing a small beef herd on cover crops.     |
| What do you hope to learn by participating in this producer-led group?  I want to learn how to refine my cover crop grazing system. I've recently acquired a small beef herd and I'd like to take advantage of spreading manure on my cover crop ground in the fall with temporary grazing and am interested in figuring out the most efficient way to do this. I also want to continue to learn how to get through to other farmers in our watershed in encouraging them towards soil health management.     |
| If you are part of an existing group, how has your management changed since participating in this project?  I've branched out considerably with cover crops and have started growing more acres of small grains each year. I've also decided to add animals back into my operation for the fertility and soil health benefits of some grazing.     |
| Eligible Farmer Name:  Farmer #2     |
| Overview of farm operation (can include acreage, livestock, production and conservation practices):  See above for example.   |
| What do you hope to learn by participating in this producer-led group?  This can be what you want to learn specifically on one of your fields, on your farm, or bigger picture lessons as well. See above.     |
| If you are part of an existing group, how has your management changed since participating in this project?  In addition to talking about farm management changes, you can also talk broader social changes you might have noticed in your community since the producer-led watershed group has been active.     |
| Eligible Farmer Name:  Farmer #3     |
| Overview of farm operation (can include acreage, livestock, production and conservation practices):       |
| What do you hope to learn by participating in this producer-led group?       |
| If you are part of an existing group, how has your management changed since participating in this project?       |
| Eligible Farmer Name:  Farmer #4     |
| Overview of farm operation (can include acreage, livestock, production and conservation practices):       |
| What do you hope to learn by participating in this producer-led group?       |
| If you are part of an existing group, how has your management changed since participating in this project?       |
| Eligible Farmer Name:  Farmer #5     |
| Overview of farm operation (can include acreage, livestock, production and conservation practices):       |
| What do you hope to learn by participating in this producer-led group?       |
| If you are part of an existing group, how has your management changed since participating in this project?       |
| Eligible Farmer Name:  Farmer #6     |
| Overview of farm operation (can include acreage, livestock, production and conservation practices):       |
| What do you hope to learn by participating in this producer-led group?       |
| If you are part of an existing group, how has your management changed since participating in this project?       |
| Eligible Farmer Name:       |
| Overview of farm operation (can include acreage, livestock, production and conservation practices):       |
| What do you hope to learn by participating in this producer-led group?       |
| If you are part of an existing group, how has your management changed since participating in this project?       |
| Collaborator Name: |  Expand Your Soil Horizons     |
| Relevant work experience, conservation background, previous leadership roles, and commitment to this project: |
|  Expand Your Soil Horizons is a 501c3 organization that formed in 2000 to support community-led conservation groups and projects. We have ample experience in the administration and organization of multiple funding sources for a project, helping groups develop strategic direction for their vision and assisting groups and projects with partnership development.    |
| Collaborator project responsibilities:  |
|  Organize board meetings, assist with delivery of outreach events, track conservation incentive programs, assist with grant reporting, scope partnerships. |
| Collaborator Name: |  Blue Water County Land Conservation Department     |
| Relevant work experience, conservation background, previous leadership roles, and commitment to this project: |
|  The Blue Water County Land Conservation Department has existing relationships and a myriad of staff capable and experienced in working with farmers on conservation projects and soil health mangement.     |
| Collaborator project responsibilities: |
|  The BWCLCD will assist the Farmers of the Big Blue River in promoting their conservation incentive programs and assist in delivering and promoting outreach events.     |
| ADDITIONAL INFORMATION |
| Please provide any additional details about your project that will help reviewers assess your project need and merit. This could include, but is not limited to:* Timeline of activities proposed
* Partnerships with other agencies, agricultural groups producer-led watershed groups, or agricultural professionals to strengthen and leverage your efforts (ex. Implement dealers, crop consultants, UW-Extension agents, etc.) Letters of support are welcomed.
* Incorporation of nutrient management and DATCP Nutrient Management Farmer Education grants
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|  2024 Annual Timeline of WorkJanuary:* Finalize data summary of conservation practice survey
* Annual winter workshop
* Board meeting

February:* Complete 2023 Progress Report; share out to membership, local media, and partners
* Attend DATCP Producer-Led Annual Grants Workshop

March: Board meetingApril: Soil Health Shop TalkMay: Board meeting* First pasture walk in pasture walk series
* Getting Started with Soil Health Field Day

June:* Develop and administer conservation practice incentive flyer
* Start Feeding the Big Blue River Watershed Marketing campaign

July:* Board meeting
* Second pasture walk in pasture walk series

August:* Diversifying Crop Rotations Field Day
* Data collection and site-visits to demonstration sites

September:* Board meeting
* Feeding the Big Blue River dinner

October:* Grazing Cover Crops Field day
* Complete conservation incentives program sign up

NovemberDecember:* Board meeting
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| 1. Under the Eligible Expense section, in the Budget Category column, enter one of these four options:
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| * + Conservation Practices
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| * + Conservation Demonstrations and Education
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| * + Promotional Activities
 |
| * + Administrative
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| 1. Under the Eligible Expense section, in the Budget SubCategory column, please enter the best choice from the list below for each budget line:
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| * + Conservation Practices
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| * + - Incentives\_Cover Crop
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| * + - Incentives\_Grassed Waterways
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| * + - Incentives\_No-till
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| * + - Incentives\_Other (please describe briefly)
 |
| * + Conservation Demonstration and Education
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| * + - Demonstration / Research Plots
 |
| * + - Educational Workshops
 |
| * + - Farm Tours
 |
| * + - Field Days / Tech Days
 |
| * + - Supported Member Education
 |
| * + Promotional Activities
 |
| * + - Apparel
 |
| * + - General Materials and Supplies
 |
| * + - Printing
 |
| * + - Signage
 |
| * + - Web Hosting
 |
| * + Administrative
 |
| * + - Administrative Fees
 |
| * + - Board meetings
 |
| * + - General Materials and Supplies
 |
| * + - Staffing
 |
| * + - Travel
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| Follow directions on table for the Matching Funds, Source of Matching Funds and Grant Request sections. |
| Example |
| If your budget item is cover crops then your Budget Category would be Conservation Practices and the Budget SubCategory would be Conservation Practices, Incentives\_Cover Crops. |
| BUDGET REQUEST |
| Please add rows as necessary. Staff time must be separated out within eligible expenses.  |
|  | Budget Category | Eligible Expense | Matching Funds | Source of Matching Funds | Grant Request |
| DATCP USE ONLY | Budget Category - Choose one:* Conservation Practices
* Conservation Demonstrations and Education
* Promotional Activities
* Administrative
 | Sub-budget Category | Must contribute 1:1 matching funds. For example, if you are requesting $20,000, you must provide a match of at least $20,000. Match does not need to be line item by line item. | Please indicate the source of matching funds. | Please indicate the total amount of grant funds requested for each line item. |
|  |  Conservation Practices     |  Incentives\_ Cover Crops     | $ 12,750     |  Producer Match     | $ 12,750     |
|  |  Conservation Practices     |  Incentives\_ Other (Pasture Ren.)     | $ 9,000     |  Producer Match     | $ 9,000     |
|  |  Conservation Practices     |  Incentives\_Other (Interseed Pastures)     | $ 5,000     |  Producer Match     | $ 5,000     |
|  |  Conservation Practices     |  Incentives\_Other (Graze Cover Crops)     | $ 5,000     |  Producer Match     | $ 5,000     |
|  |  Administrative     |  Staffing     | $ 5,000     |  Expand Your Soil Horizons     | $ 2,000     |
|  |  Conservation Demonstration & Education     |  Demonstration/Research Plots     | $  12,000     |  SARE Farmer Research & Education Grant     | $  2,000     |
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| Total Match Amount: | $  48,750     | Total Request: | $  38,750     |
| Electronic signature(s) of project lead and/or fiscal manager. By signing this application, I certify (1) to the qualification of each farmer identified in this application and their commitment to meeting all federal, state, or local laws, ordinances, regulations and conservation compliance; and, (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that false statements or misrepresentations may subject me to legal action by DATCP. |
|  Ulysses Everett McGill     |  Ulysses Everett McGill     |  8/9/2023     |
| LEAD CONTACT | SIGNATURE (TYPE) | DATE |
|  Pete Hogwallop     |  Pete Hogwallop     |  8/9/2023     |
| FISCAL MANAGER | SIGNATURE (TYPE) | DATE |
|  Delmar O'Donnell     |  Delmar O'Donnell     |  8/9/2023     |
| LEAD FARMER, IF LEAD CONTACT IS NOT A FARMER | SIGNATURE (TYPE) | DATE |
| Thank you for your interest in the Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant Program!  |
| Email completed proposals (In Microsoft Word) to: **dana.christel@wisconsin.gov.** |