

Arkansas Agriculture Water Quality Loan Program

PROJECT PLAN APPLICATION

Project Plan Guidance

Prior to Project Funding Application approval or issuance of Certificate of Qualification submit the Project Plan to Arkansas Natural Resources Commission addressed as follows:

Arkansas Department of Agriculture
Arkansas Natural Resources Division
Agriculture Water Quality Loan Program
1 Natural Resources Drive
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

or via e-mail to: AGRI.Applications@agriculturearkansas.gov

From AgWQLP Handbook:

(n) **Project Plan** – The plan developed by and between the District, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and a cooperator that includes the planning, design and application of resource management systems to abate or prevent identified on-site or off-site problems with non-point source (NPS) pollution that impacts water quality. All project plans must be designed and implemented in compliance with NRCS Field Office Technical Guide standards that **reduce non-point source pollution to qualify**. If the cooperator has or is developing a NRCS Conservation Plan, it can be used as the project plan as long as the improvements that funding is being sought are included in the Conservation Plan. Once the project plan is developed, the District will submit it to the Commission for review and approval.

What information to include in a project plan:

- 1) Project Description: describe the purpose, how the project will be implemented and how this project will have a direct effect on nonpoint source pollution control, reduction or abatement:
- 2) :
 - a. Who – cooperator name and subsequent contact information.
 - b. What – NRCS practice name & Code number applying to implement.
 - i. Include the description of the practice and what the cooperator is wanting to “buy or utilize” to facilitate implementation of the practice.
 - c. When – time duration of the implementation, including loan term and amount, if known.
 - d. Where – latitude and longitude of the farm and subsequent location information:
 - i. Total acres that will be impacted per year throughout duration of the loan.
 - ii. Map of land with field numbers, farm number, etc. that will be impacted.
 - e. Why – does the cooperator want to do this:
 - i. Describe the environmental benefit related to NRCS conservation practice(s) applying to implement will reduce non-point source (NPS) impacts on water quality.
 - f. How – does the cooperator plan to repay the loan, including a payment schedule, if known.
- 3) Farm conservation plan, if available.

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APPLICANT: _____ **CO-APPLICANT:** _____
Same Address? Yes No
ADDRESS: _____ **ADDRESS:** _____

LAT: _____ **LONG:** _____
Number of acres the practice will affect or be implemented: _____
Estimated Project Cost: _____ **Estimated Loan Amount:** _____

LIST OF PRACTICES

No.	NRCS Practice Name	Practice Number	Estimated Cost	No.	NRCS Practice Name	Practice Number	Estimated Cost
1				4			
2				5			
3				6			

What – Describe the practices: Include the NRCS practice number, name and a description of the practice and what the cooperator is wanting to “buy or utilize” to facilitate implementation of the practice.

When – time and/or duration of the implementation, including loan term and amount, if known.

Where – location the project will be implemented (field number, etc), total acres that will be impacted per year throughout duration of the loan.

Why – does the cooperator want to do this: Describe the environmental benefit related to NRCS conservation practice(s) listed for this plan and how their implementation will directly reduce, control or abate non-point source (NPS) pollution that impacts water quality.

Map Attached? Yes No
 Attach is a map of land with field numbers, farm number, etc. that will be impacted Yes No

Do you have a Farm conservation plan? Yes No
 Farm Conservation Plan relevant pages are attached? Yes No

How – does the cooperator plan to pay it back, including a payment schedule, if known.

NOTICE TO CONSERVATION DISTRICT: Upon receipt of Project Plan; retain one (1) copy in **Conservation District office**; Send original to the **ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Natural Resources Division** Water Quality Loan Program, 1 Natural Resources Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas 72205. Or via e-mail to: AGRI.Applications@agriculture.arkansas.gov