

Frost Terminated Cover Crop Pilot Project Guidelines

Project Timeline: Starting Date: July 1, 2024
Ending Date: June 30, 2029

Eligibility: May be used on Highly Erodible Land (HEL) and Non-Highly Erodible Land (NHEL) that is currently in a continuous no-till cropping system. Application must be following row crops.. HEL fields where crop has been cut for silage are not eligible.

Acreage Limits: Each participant (operator) will enroll a total of 10-160 acres (minimum contract amount is \$170.00).

Payment Rate
Frost Terminated Cover Crop Payment Rate: \$17.00/acre.

Seeding Method
Post Harvest No-till Drilled cover crops. This option may require altering the maturities of cash crops to allow for earlier harvest and no-till drilling the cover crops. Post-harvest no-till drill seeding must be completed by **September 15th**.

Additional Specifications:

Participant(operator) is based on Farm Service Agency(FSA) records.

Participants in this practice will apply on LENRD 100a form for Frost Terminated Cover Crop Seeding each year for up to a maximum of three consecutive years.

The producer is responsible for obtaining their own seed according to NRCS specifications and arranging for seeding.

This Pilot Project will be targeted to Cuming County but open to the entire Lower Elkhorn NRD boundary.

This project is for first time cover crop producers.