

Morgan County SWCD Conservation Mini-Grant Program

2024 Application



REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY-For your application to be considered, it must meet the following criteria:

- ◇ Project must be within Morgan County
- ◇ Grant is only available to private landowners and non-governmental not for profit organizations.
(Organizations that are publicly funded or are a taxing body are ineligible.)
- ◇ Project must be beneficial to the soil and water quality directly in Morgan County
- ◇ Project has not qualified for another federal grant available
- ◇ You will be asked to attend a board meeting to present your proposal to the SWCD board for approval

If your application is considered for funding, a representative from Morgan County SWCD will be in contact with you to schedule a site visit of the project area to evaluate the conservation concern that funding is being requested for. Once approved, you will be asked to sign an agreement with the SWCD which states the time limit for the project completion and that funds will be reimbursed at 75%/25% rate based on receipts provided up to a maximum of \$2000 reimbursement per application/project as receipts are presented. Any work done by the landowner or a representative of the landowner, that is not a professional company, cannot be billed for more than \$25 an hour for work done on project. All funds will be reimbursed after the completion of the project and once a final site review has been completed. Structural practices such as fences, livestock watering systems, erosion control structures, etc. shall comply with USDA-NRCS technical specifications. Only native plants or USDA approved non-native vegetation species are allowed. Applicant is responsible for locating underground utility location, obtaining all permits and comply with local ordinances, state statutes and federal regulation, if applicable.

Name of applicant _____

Applicant Address _____

Project Title _____

Project location _____

Telephone number _____ Email address _____

Brief explanation of project: _____

Please explain how the completion of this project will benefit the soil or water quality in Morgan County: _____

Approximate amount of grant money requested _____

PLEASE INCLUDE IN THIS APPLICATION

- ◇ Completed Application
- ◇ Plan of project and “before” pictures of project area.
- ◇ Map showing where plan will be implemented
- ◇ Cost breakdown of project
- ◇ Timeline of project (not to exceed 1 year)
- ◇ If using a contractor, must have a minimum of 2 bids

I understand that upon completion of this project, a staff or board member of the Morgan County Soil and Water Conservation District will do an inspection of the completed project to determine it is carried out as written and approved in the plan. If this project is not completed as per the plan, I will not and should not expect and payment or reimbursement. I also give the Morgan County Soil and Water Conservation District the permission to take pictures of said project and to use these pictures publically for information and advertising. Payments may be made to contractors by board determination.

Landowner/Entity Signature _____ Date _____

OFFICE/BOARD USE ONLY:

- Completed Application Packet
- Site Visit Scheduled _____
- Total Estimated Cost _____
- W-9 Provided

Notes:

Please fill out and return, with required documents, photos, and/or maps to:

Morgan County Soil and Water Conservation District

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