

#### **AGENCY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD & MARKETS**

# **Farm Agronomic Practice (FAP) Program – Grant Application** For conservation practices planned from NOW until December 31

Before completing this form, please review FAP program information and practice requirements. Please note:

- Submission of this application does not guarantee funding. Applications will be reviewed in order of receipt.
- Grants are limited to a maximum of \$10,000 per farm operation per calendar year.
- Practice payment rates may change due to program demand and funding availability.
- Applications are due <u>June 15</u> for Rotational Grazing, <u>August 1</u> for cover cropping or fall manure injection, or <u>April 15</u> for spring practices such as no till planting or pasture and hayland renovation.

1. Business/Farm Name:									
2.	Business Mailing A	Address:							
	Town, State and Zip code:								
3.	Phone Number:								
	Full Name of Lega	l Signatory: sign on behalf of the business)							
5.	5. Email Address of Legal Signatory:								
6.	End Date of Federa For most businesses, this da	al Business Tax Year: te is <u>December 31.</u>							
7.	Farm Operation Size (circle) If you have less than 50 cows/750 sheep or goats/40 horses you are a Small Farm Operation – SFO.		SFO	CSFO	MF	0	LFO		
8.	8. Primary Farm Product:								
9.	• If you would like us to include an <b>additional farm contact</b> or <b>service provider</b> (TSP, UVM Extension, Conservation District staff member, or other) on correspondence related to your request for assistance, please provide their name and email address below.								
Name:	ame:			Email:					
							YES	NO	
<b>10.</b> Do you have a current conservation practice contract through the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)? <i>Please note: You cannot receive duplicate funds (for the same practices on the same fields in the same year) from NRCS and FAP.</i>									
11.	Have you ever recei	ived funding through the	FAP Program	n in the past?					
<b>12.</b> Select the major watershed(s) in which you plan to install practices funded by the FAP program:									
Lake Champlain Memphren			magog	Connecticut Riv	cut River Hudson River				

### **APPLICATION CONTINUED...**

**13. Conservation practices:** Please submit a single application for <u>all</u> practices planned until the end of the calendar year. Applications must be submitted at least 30 days prior to install date.

Practice	Rate	Total Acres	Intended Install Month(s)
Cover Crop – Broadcast or Interseeded *	\$30 / acre		
Cover Crop – Drilled or Otherwise Incorporated *	\$45 / acre		
Crop to Hay	\$35 / acre		
Crop to Hay with Nurse Crop (e.g. oats)	\$45 / acre		
Rotational Grazing <sup>1</sup> <sup>4</sup> See below for additional application requirements	\$30 / acre		
No Till (Annual Crop Planting)	\$15 / acre		
No Till Pasture and Hayland Renovation	\$30 / acre		
Manure Injection	\$25 / acre		

- This grant application must be submitted to the Agency prior to the application deadlines.
- If selected, a grant agreement will be sent to you by the Agency.
- Claim Forms, including corresponding MAPS of the location of implemented practices are required within 30 days of completing practice implementation for you to receive payment.
- Eligible farms must be in good standing with the State of Vermont. Good standing for Water Quality Technical and Financial Assistance is defined in 6 V.S.A. § 4802.
- You cannot receive payment through FAP for the same/equivalent practice on the same field that has been paid through any other state, federal, or private program in the same year.

I acknowledge that the above information is true. I also hereby authorize the NRCS to release information to the Agency concerning the location (including tract and field numbers) and the extent of cropland on my farm (including crop history for current year and conservation practice implementation by field under contract for any NRCS program) to make eligibility determinations in relation to this application.

Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# <sup>4</sup>Required for <u>Rotational Grazing applications</u> only:

# Please attach your completed grazing plan and maps to this application.

There is a <u>template available</u> on the agency website if you do not have a full grazing plan for your farm.

GRAZING APPS **MUST** INCLUDE A <u>GRAZING PLAN AND MAPS</u> TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FUNDING.