



2020 Cost-share application – Due Nov. 15, 2020

The following cost-share programs are available to LASA members in 2020:

1. **Cover Crops** – {\$20/acre, 50-acre max}
2. **4-R Nutrient Stewardship** – {\$20/acre, 50-acre max, \$200 max for manure and tissue sampling}
3. **No-till/Reduced Tillage** – {\$20/acre, 50-acre max}

The cost-share program is designed to be inclusive to help every member meet their soil and water conservation goals. The practices above have been shown to provide a suite of benefits, including but not limited to, reducing soil erosion by wind and water, limiting nutrient losses via leaching, runoff, or other loss pathways, and improving soil health.

To participate, please indicate which program(s) you would like to enroll in and the number of acres/samples you are enrolling. Receipts are required for some programs. LASA's cost share program is intended to be a learning opportunity for members, so we ask that members be willing to share lessons learned from trying a new practice with the group. Members can use the farm info sheets provided to record and track their progress with a new practice or utilize their own form of record keeping.

Final cost-share payments are dependent on available funds and will be distributed at the end of the year. If you are not yet a LASA member, please fill out the membership form (available at lafayetteagstewardship.org) and pay the \$250 membership dues.

To enroll, complete the form on the next page and return (with receipts) by Nov. 15.

How it works:

- ✓ Plant cover crops (whatever variety fits into your farming system) in fields harvested for wheat, corn silage or other crops
- ✓ Plant no-till corn, beans, wheat or other crops
- ✓ Implement no-till, limited/reduced till or strip till in fields harvested for corn, beans or wheat
- ✓ Work with your agronomist/CCA to take soil and/or tissue samples and send to an accredited lab
- ✓ Use results to create a custom fertility program for your crop and soils: Apply nutrients where and when your crop needs them most
- ✓ Let LASA know how many total acres are in each practice and how many acres will be cost-shared
- ✓ Complete the LASA member survey to evaluate the change in estimated nutrient and soil loss from the standard practices compared to the cost-shared practice

Over for enrollment information



***All individual farm data is confidential.** Final cost-share payments dependent on funds.

To enroll, complete the form below:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Farm Name: _____ Total Acres Farmed: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

Cell: _____ Home Phone: _____

Are you comfortable sharing soil test data, SnapPlus files or other on farm metrics to help document continuous improvement? Yes/No

Cost share application information:

Cover crops		# acres enrolled		Total # cover crop acres	
4R nutrient stewardship		# acres enrolled		Total # 4R nutrient stewardship acres	
For 4R, circle practice:	split fertilizer	soil sampling	tissue sampling	N stabilizer	NMP
No-till		# acres enrolled		Total # no-till acres	
Reduced/limited/strip-till		# acres enrolled		Total # reduced/limited/strip-till acres	

Questions? Please contact us at lafayetteagstewardship@gmail.com or (608)778-3271 (Jim Winn)