



Delta Farmland & Wildlife Trust
 OFFICE USE ONLY
 Program Year: **2020**
 Agreement #: _____

DFWT Field Unit(s)

Regional Maps

DELTA FARMLAND & WILDLIFE TRUST

Winter Cover Crop Stewardship Agreement

Date _____

BETWEEN THE CO-OPERATOR: _____

AND

THE DELTA FARMLAND AND WILDLIFE TRUST, a non-profit, community based, charitable society, whose mission is to promote the preservation of farmland and associated wildlife habitat in the Fraser River delta through sustainable farming and land stewardship (referred to hereafter as "DF&WT").

WHEREAS: The Co-operator and DF&WT have agreed to cost share the establishment of clover, winter cereals and/or spring cereals for the purposes of soil conservation and wildlife habitat enhancement in the Municipality of Delta, in the Province of British Columbia.

THE CO-OPERATOR WILL:

1. Plant a cover crop at a seeding rate appropriate to the crop type by an appropriate planting date (see attached cover crop fact sheet) within the fields identified on Schedule A of this agreement and return this form to the DF&WT office by **October 16, 2020**.
- Seed spilt/blown from a combine during grain harvest that fulfills DF&WT management criteria, is eligible as a cover crop under the Cereal Habitat Enhancement arm of the Winter Cover Crop Stewardship Program. Residual grain fields matching these criteria should be enrolled separately from this agreement.
2. Allow DF&WT to monitor fields for wildlife use from October 16, 2020 to March 31, 2021.
3. **Ensure that plow down** of the cover crop **does not occur before March 31, 2021** unless DF&WT is advised of and agrees to an earlier plow down date.
4. Indemnify and save harmless DF&WT from and against any and all actions, suits, claims, demands, damages or losses, howsoever arising as a result of the establishment and operation of the Winter Cover Crop Program.

THE DELTA FARMLAND & WILDLIFE TRUST WILL:

- 1) share the cost of establishing cover crops within the Municipality of Delta, BC by paying between \$60.00 and \$65.00/acre for cover crops planted under the guidelines of the DF&WT Winter Cover Crop Program. Cost-share rates and planting guidelines can be found in Appendix A of this form and cooperators should thoroughly review the cost-share rates for 2020.
- 2) reduce the reimbursement by the same percentage for all acreage applied for, in the event that applications received by October 16, 2020 exceed available funds for the program.
- 3) make payment in late December 2020, after all agreements have been received with completed information and signatures from the Co-operator, and after the DF&WT has had the opportunity to verify all the acreage applied for.

Note: This document consists of 2 or more pages depending on how many pages are required to complete Schedule A. Please indicate the number of pages (including this page) contained in this agreement below as well as on every page of the agreement.

Delta Farmland & Wildlife Trust 2020 Winter Cover Crop Program Rates

Appendix A

IMPORTANT DATES



August 14:	Cut-off for planting forage grasses and clovers; all forage <i>grasses and clovers</i> must be seeded into standing grain to be eligible for the program
August 31:	Cut-off for planting <i>winter cereals</i> (winter wheat and fall rye) early to receive \$65/acre cost-share
September 30:	Deadline for planting frost-sensitive <i>spring cereals</i> (barley & oats)
September 30:	Deadline for planting <i>winter cereals</i> (winter wheat & fall rye; spring wheat included)
October 16:	Deadline for submitting Cover Crop applications to DF&WT office

Cover Crop Type	Rates for 2020 Program
Frost-sensitive Spring Cereals (barley, & oats)	Must be planted before September 30 \$60/acre flat rate
Frost-tolerant Winter Cereals (winter wheat & fall rye; spring wheat included)	Can be planted up to September 30 \$65/acre when planted before August 31; \$60/acre when planted before September 30;
Annual Ryegrass	Can be planted up to September 30 \$60/acre
Clover (red clover, white clover, etc.) AND/OR Forage Grass (timothy, fescue, orchard grass, etc.)	Must be planted before August 14 Clover and forage grass are eligible when under-seeded into grain crop \$60/acre flat rate Note: new forage plantings enrolled in the Delta Forage Damage Compensation Program are not eligible for the Winter Cover Crop Program
Spring-sown grain that is not harvested	\$60/acre flat rate
Spring-sown grain that is harvested, and spilt grain germinates after harvest	Eligible under Cereal Habitat Enhancement Program if grain is re-spread after harvest. Please notify the Program Manager if you plan to re-spread grain over a harvested grain field.

Schedule A.

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Field	Field # _____ Map # _____	Field # _____ Map # _____	Field # _____ Map # _____	Field # _____ Map # _____	Field # _____ Map # _____	Field # _____ Map # _____	Field # _____ Map # _____
Field Location	Mark field # on appropriate map	Mark field # on appropriate map	Mark field # on appropriate map	Mark field # on appropriate map	Mark field # on appropriate map	Mark field # on appropriate map	Mark field # on appropriate map
Crop Type							
Planting Date							
Seeding Rate							
Seeding Method							
Soil Prep Details							
Field Size (Ac)							
Previous Crop							
Leveled within last 2 yrs?							

** If you have more than 7 cover crop fields for which you are applying to the program, make as many additional copies of the table above as necessary and include them with the application. For more agreement forms, please call (604) 940-3392.

Co-operator's Name _____

Tel # _____

Company Name _____

Fax # _____

Address _____

Cell # _____

Co-operator's Signature

DF&WT Signature

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