



## No-Till Drill Rental

**INCREASES SEED GERMINATION AND  
REDUCES SOIL EROSION AND SOIL MOISTURE  
EVAPORATION**

### Rental Details:

- Small grain seeding, solid stand beans, alfalfa, clovers, and grasses
- Haybuster 107 (10') and Haybuster 77 (7')
- Rates vary with acreage
- New 10' drill with seed box to plant native warm season grasses
- Free delivery and pickup within Amelia, Nottoway, and Prince Edward Counties

## Conservation Planning

### Grazing Plan Assistance

Receive assistance with the design of a prescribed grazing plan for better forage utilization and healthier pastures. Free of charge.

### Conservation Planning Assistance

Receive assistance with farm-wide conservation planning. Free of charge.

### Resource Management Planning Program

A certification that helps producers meet future state standards associated with nutrient, sediment, and water quality. Certification is valid for 9 years provided the producer continues to implement the plan. Participation is voluntary.

## Program Details

- Participation in the Virginia Agricultural Cost-Share & Tax Credit Program is voluntary
- Applicants must submit an application and follow the approval process
- For more information, contact the Piedmont Soil and Water Conservation District staff (information below)

## Contact Information

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The Virginia Best Management Practice Cost-Share Program is administered by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation through local soil and water conservation districts. The program offers Cost-Share and tax credit incentives for the voluntary installation of BMPs to meet Virginia's non-point source pollution water quality objectives.



# **BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR VIRGINIA AGRICULTURE**

**2021-2022**



## Expand your Farm's Potential

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

IMPROVE FARM PRODUCTIVITY & SOIL HEALTH

ENHANCED TAX CREDITS AVAILABLE



**PIEDMONT SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**SERVING  
AMELIA, NOTTOWAY, AND PRINCE EDWARD  
COUNTIES**

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# Most Popular Practices

## Cover Crops

- Best Management Practices designed to reduce soil erosion and capture excess nutrients on cropland
- Incentive payments based on acres enrolled in practice
- Kill, harvestable & legume options
- May receive tax credit in lieu of payment



## Riparian Forest Buffer

Incentive payment based on acres planted and practice lifespan

- Hardwood or conifer options
- 95% cost share on eligible establishment costs



## Conversion of Cropland to Grass

- Incentive payment based on acres planted and practice lifespan
- 75% cost share on eligible establishment costs

## Livestock Stream Exclusion

### Many new options!

- Cost share rates (up to 100%) based on buffer width and practice lifespan
- Rental payment on wide buffers
- Options for water source
- New grazing management practices



## Continuing Conservation Initiative

Incentive payments to maintain voluntarily installed conservation practices or out of lifespan cost share practices

- Forest or herbaceous buffers
- Stream exclusion fence
- Stream exclusion fence and associated water system

# Animal Waste Practices

## New Options Include

- Feeding Pad
- Manure Storage
- Confined Feeding Operation
- Winter Feeding Facility
- Loafing Lot Management-(Non-Dairy)



## Nutrient Management

Protect water quality while maximizing production and reducing nutrient runoff.

### Nutrient Management Plan Writing

- Plans written or revised by Virginia certified private planner
- Incentive payments based on acres enrolled and manure source

### Nutrient Management on Cropland

- Precision Nitrogen and Phosphorous Options
- 75% cost share on application charge, maximum of \$8/acre