

Instructions

COVER CROP SEEDING PLAN AND RECORD

version 2.2

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Producer Name: _____ NRCS Field Office _____ Phone _____

Producer Phone # _____ Practice Purpose: _____

Conservation District _____ [SD Cover Crop Technical Note 16.pdf](#)

Program _____ Prepared Mix: **Optional**
 Choose from list -----> _____

	PLANNED	APPLIED
Field Number(s)		
Fertilization		
Seeding Equipment		
Acres		
Planned seeding window		
Seeding Date		
Suggested Seeding Depth*		
Termination Method		

* Based on the deep range of the shallowest species.

CROP HISTORY

Current Crop:		<i>Herbicide carryover from previous crop production may be incompatible with some cover crop species. Read the herbicide label and follow all species compatibility and cropping interval restrictions and guidelines.</i>
Previous Crop:		

PLANNED COVER CROP

Seed Species	Variety	% of NRCS full seeding rate in Mix	NRCS Full Seeding Rate (PLS lbs/ac)	Planned Seeding Rate (PLS lbs/ac)	Acres to Seed	Total Seed Required (PLS lbs)	Seeding Depth (Inches)
Totals:							

APPLIED COVER CROP

Seed Species	Variety	% Purity (or) % in Mix	Germination %	Bulk Seed Total (LBS.) of Mix	Seed Planted (LBS)	Total Acres Planted	Seed Planted (lbs/acre)	Enter Applied Seeding Method
				Bulk Seed Individual species (LBS.)		Acres Planted		% of NRCS Full Seeding Rate
Totals for Mixed species --->				Totals -->				

Planning Assistance By: _____ (Name) _____ (Date)

Certified By: _____ (Name) _____ (Date)

Applied Practice Meets SD standards and specifications: Yes No

Guide to Certification Select the method used to certify and enter data below

Comments: _____

Planned Planting Date

Cover Crop Cost Estimate for Planning

Producer name & phone

Phone:

NRCS Office & Phone #

Phone:

Planner

Plan written

This cost estimate is based on an average costs of seed dealers and doesn't necessarily reflect the actual cost shared amounts that will be in a conservation contract. Seed costs can vary from dealer to dealer and prices can and have fluctuated drastically in response to supply and demand during the year. Please contact seed dealers to receive a timely quote for the kind and amount of seed you plan to plant.

4 Seed dealers were used to determine the estimated average cost of species.

The costs were last updated in the Spring of 2020

Seeding Mixture

%	Estimated Average Cost / LB	----- Per Acre -----		----- Total Acres -----	
		LBS PLS	Cost	PLS LBS	Cost

Totals

----- Per Acre -----		----- Total Acres -----	
LBS	cost	LBS	cost
	\$ -		

Planned Planting Date

Cover Crop Seeding Plan Vendor Information Sheet

Producer name & phone Phone:

NRCS Office & Phone # Phone:

Planner Plan written

Note to Vendor:
If any substitutions to species or varieties are considered please obtain prior approval by calling the producer and NRCS at the numbers above. If varieties recommended are not available they may be substituted with different SD adapted varieties or with "common seed". Please provide a seed tag to the producer for each bag or quantity of seed purchased. As always follow state seed laws concerning labeling. Thank You!

Seeding Mixture

Species / Species	Variety	% of NRCS Full seeding rate	Planned Seeding Rate (PLS lbs/ac)	Acres to Seed	Total Seed Required (PLS lbs)	Estimated % by weight of seed in mix
Total						

Additional Notes to Vendor:
*Seeding rates are based on Pure Live Seed (PLS) obtained from seed tag information or lab test results. To ensure the quality of all planting material, the minimum bulk seed germination allowed for each species is 85%. For seed lots testing below the minimum, the seed rate must be based on PLS and not the bulk seed rate. PLS = Purity * % total viable (germination + hard seed + dormant) / 100. When total viable percentages fall below 85%, actual seeding rates MUST be increased to compensate for non-viable seed.*

Recommended Cover Crop Mixes for South Dakota

Crop Type	Purpose /Species	Percent
Compaction (surface and subsurface)		
CSG	oats, barley, wheat, cereal rye, triticale, annual ryegrass	10-50%
CSB - legume	field pea, common vetch, chickling vetch, red clover, alfalfa	0-20%
WSB - legume	cowpea, dry bean, sunn hemp	0-20%
WSG	teff, sorghum-sudan	0-40%
WSB	Sunflower, safflower	0-15%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, African cabbage, radish, turnip, hybrids	20-40%

N Fixation and Nutrient Cycling		
CSB - legume	field pea, lentil, common vetch, crimson clover, chickling vetch, balansa clover	40-70%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, African cabbage, radish, turnip, hybrids	10-30%
WSB - legume	cowpea, soybean, sunn hemp	0-15%
CSG	oat, barley, annual ryegrass	10-20%

Nutrient Scavenger		
CSB - legume	crimson clover, chickling vetch, balansa clover	0-15%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, African cabbage, radish, turnip, hybrids	10-40%
WSG	millet, teff, grain or forage sorghum, sorghum-sudan, corn, sudangrass	20-60%
CSB	flax, winter camelina	0-10%
WSB - legume	cowpea, dry bean, soybean, sunn hemp	0-15%
WSB	sunflower, safflower	0-20%
CSG	annual ryegrass, barley, cereal rye, oat, spring wheat, triticale, winter wheat	10-20%

Spring Moisture Utilization and N Fixation		
CSB - legume	field pea, lentil, common vetch, crimson clover, chickling vetch, balansa clover	10-25%
WSB - legume	cowpea, soybean, sunn hemp	0-25%
CSG	winter wheat, cereal rye, triticale	50-80%

Spring Moisture Utilization, Nutrient Cycling, N Fixation		
CSB - legume	field pea, lentil, common vetch, crimson clover, chickling vetch, balansa clover	0-15%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, African cabbage, radish, hybrids	15-40%
WSB - legume	cowpea, soybean, sunn hemp	0-15%
CSG	winter wheat, cereal rye, triticale, annual ryegrass	50-85%

Residue Cycling		
CSB - legume	field pea, lentil, common vetch, crimson clover, chickling vetch, balansa clover	20-40%
CSB	flax, winter camelina	0-15%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, radish, mustard, African cabbage, hybrids	25-40%
WSG	teff, millet	0-10%
WSB - legume	cowpea, soybean, sunn hemp	0-15%
CSG	Oat, annual ryegrass, barley	10-30%

Salinity		
Brassica	rapeseed, winter canola	10-30%
CSG	barley, cereal rye, triticale	70-90%

Soil Health - Increase crop diversity and organic matter		
CSB - legume	field pea, lentil, common vetch, crimson clover, chickling vetch, balansa clover, red clover	10-30%
CSB	flax, winter camelina, phacelia	0-15%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, radish, mustard, African cabbage, hybrids	5-40%
WSB	Sunflower, safflower, buckwheat	0-15%
WSG	millet, teff, sorghum-sudan, sudangrass	0-30%
WSB - legume	cowpea, soybean, sunn hemp	0-15%
CSG	Oat, annual ryegrass, barley	10-30%

Cool Season Grazing		
CSB - legume	field pea, lentil, common vetch, crimson clover, balansa clover	10-30%
Brassica*	rapeseed, kale, collards, radish, turnip, hybrids	0-40%
CSB	flax, camelina	0-15%
WSG	millet, teff, grain or forage sorghum, sorghum-sudan, corn, sudangrass	0-5%
CSG	oats, barley, wheat, cereal rye, triticale, annual ryegrass	15-30%

Warm Season Grazing		
WSB	sunflower, cowpea, soybean, buckwheat	0-20%
CSB	flax, winter camelina	0-15%
WSG	millet, teff, grain or forage sorghum, sorghum-sudan, corn, sudangrass	20-60%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, radish, turnip, hybrids	0-40%

Aerial Seed into Corn going to Soybean		
CSB - legume	crimson clover, common vetch, red clover, balansa clover	0-15%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, radish, turnips, hybrids	15-40%
CSG	winter wheat, cereal rye, triticale, annual ryegrass	40-70%

Aerial Seed into Soybean going to Corn		
CSB - legume	crimson clover, common vetch, red clover	40-70%
Brassica	rapeseed, kale, collards, radish, turnips, hybrids	10-25%
CSG	winter wheat, cereal rye, triticale, annual ryegrass	10-25%

Wildlife		
CSB - legume	field pea, lentil, common vetch, crimson clover, chickling vetch, red clover, balansa clover	10-30%
CSB	flax, phacelia, winter camelina	5-15%
Brassica	rapeseed, radish, kale, collards, mustard, African cabbage, hybrids	10-50%
WSB	Sunflower, safflower, buckwheat	0-15%
WSG	millet, teff, sorghum-sudan, grain sorghum sudangrass	0-30%
WSB - legume	cowpea, soybean, sunn hemp	0-15%
CSG	Oat, annual ryegrass, barley	10-30%

*Brassicas include: Canola, African cabbage, kale, mustard, radish, rapeseed, turnip, and hybrids of these species.



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YouTube Link to Video

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Full Video

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		Certification Process	
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General overview		Contact Information	
Planning			

Data is from South Dakota Technical Guide including: Practice Standard 340 Cover Crop Agronomy Technical Note 16

Table with columns: Print, 1, Purpose, Termination. Rows include Cover crop worksheet, Prepared Mixes, Table 1 Purpose Rating, Cost Estimates, Vendor, Recommended Cover Crop Mixes, Table 2 Purpose Rating.

Table with columns: Planned Seeding Month, Fertilization. Rows include May 1 through August 5, Early spring through August 20, August 1 through Winter.

Table with columns: Seeding Equipment, Cover Crops. Rows include Alfalfa, Barley, Brassica hybrids, Buckwheat, Cabbages, Camelina, Canola, Corn, etc.

Table with columns: Crop/Plant, County, Conservation District, Program, CSIP Enhancement, Certification. Lists various crop/plant types and their corresponding administrative locations.

Table with columns: Seed Tag(s), % Full seeding rate, Seed Tag(s), % Full seeding rate, Field check date, % full rate, No. of Plants. Includes headers for field checks and seeding rates.

Table with columns: Depth. Rows include numerical ranges like .13-.25, .25-.5, .25-1.0, .5-1.0, .75-2.0, 1-1.5, 1.5-2.0, 1.5-3.0.

Prepared Mix

Table with 5 columns. Rows include Protection from Wind and Water Erosion, Increase Soil Organic Matter, Improved Soil Aggregation, etc.

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