

The 2022 Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District Cover Crop Program enrollment is now open for those landowners and farmers within the assessment zone. The 2022 MWCD CCP cost share is \$12.00 per acre with a general cap per participant set at 200 acres. Any cover crop located in the watershed of the Charles Mill or Pleasant Hill Lakes automatically qualify for funding with no cap on the acres funded.

***Items of Importance:***

- This program CANNOT be enrolled in another program to receive funding for the same cover crop such as EQUIP
- There are no exceptions to NRCS SEEDING DATES AND RATES. If a mix is going to be planted, the earliest seeding date of the species within the mix is the date that it must be planted by such as radishes
- Wheat is allowed and CAN be harvested
- All landowners and producers wanting to sign up will receive \$12.00 per acre, there is not a bonus for new applicants
- 200-acre cap applies across multiple counties if the landowner is signing up in multiple counties

**Another MWCD Opportunity Includes:**

Livestock Exclusion Fencing

This program runs in conjunction with 2/3 USF&WS funds and 1/3 MWCD funds to pay 100% of actual project costs not to exceed \$10,000 per contract. Projects remove livestock access from the streams permanently, establishing a buffered riparian area to re-establish.

Items of Importance

- No mowing or grazing of established riparian area. Invasive plants may be removed
- CANNOT pay for fencing for property lines and roads
- Livestock must be present
- Least cost alternative for stream crossings and water sources may be eligible