

Cover Crop Application & Expense Claim Form

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Mailing Address			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Farm Plan		Subwatershed	
Applicable Cover Crop Program			

COVER CROP DETAILS

Field Location	Site 1	Site 2
Project 911 Address		
Municipality		
Township (Ward)		
Lot		
Concession		
Cover Crop Information		
Number of acres to be planted		
Current tillage system used		
Previous cover crops in these fields		
Crop rotation		
Where does the cover crop fit into the rotation?		
Will the field be grazed or harvested?		
Species used and planting rates (lbs./ acre)		
When will the cover crop be established (Month/Year)		
Planting method		
When will the cover crop be tilled/killed or planted into? (Month/Year)		
OFFICE USE		
File Numbers		
X:		
Y:		

* If the applicant does not own property identified, please provide contact information for landowners as we will access their property for fall inspections and spring residue measurements.

Landowner Name: _____ **Phone:** _____ **Email:** _____

SITE PLAN

Provide a sketch of the proposed project site. Identify the field location and access points. Include the distance to and location of watercourses. Please include any other information, such as highly visible landmarks, to assist staff to locate the proper field.



Approximate Costs:

	Site 1	Site 2
Materials supplied	\$ /acre	\$ /acre
Labour supplied	\$ /acre	\$ /acre
Total Project Cost	\$ /acre	\$ /acre

STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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EXPENSE CLAIM FORM

FOR OFFICE USE		
Total Grant =Acres X \$____/ac. (Maximum ____ acres)	\$	\$
File Numbers	AB-	AB-
X:		
Y:		
Percent Residue		
	%	%

I hereby declare:

- The information provided herein is true to the best of my knowledge.
- The above materials were used for their intended purposes as described in the application form.
- I have received or will receive the following funds from other cost-share programs towards this project:

Other Cost-Share Funding	Grant Rate	Amount
Total proposed funding from other sources:		

I/We understand that I/we must disclose in this application for project funding, all proposed sources of funding, including sources and amounts from federal, provincial or municipal governments, conservation groups, and private organizations, including in-kind contributions, for the duration of this project.

Signed by _____ Date: _____

The above practices have been carried out on the registered land as described on the application form.

Participant’s Signature	Date

For fillable forms: by typing your name, you have read and acknowledged the statement above.

I have visited the site to verify that the cover crop has provided at least 50% ground over winter.

Staff signature	Date

Ausable River Cover Crop Program
Project Requirements
Performance Incentive: \$15/acre
Maximum Payment: \$1,500 (maximum 100 acres per applicant)

Purpose:

- This program will encourage growers to try new cover crop mixes and techniques and help demonstrate their use around the county.
- To promote the establishment and over-wintering of cover crops (living or dead), which help provide soil protection and reduce soil erosion to watercourses.
- To protect groundwater by promoting biological nitrogen fixation.

Details:

- Landowners may apply every year.
- Each application to the program must be for a different cover crop mixture.
- There must be a minimum of three species in the cover crop. With the exception, that a multi-species mixture is not required for late season cover crops planted after corn or soybean harvest; these fields will still need to meet the 50% residue measurement.
- Oats and barley will be considered as one species within a multi-species mixture.
- Priority will be given to innovative practices and producers willing to demonstrate practices to others.
- Applicants must register their eligible fields with ABCA staff, providing location and management plan for the cover crop.
- Crops may be tilled no sooner than the spring of the year following planting (may be chemically killed the previous fall).
- Applicants must notify staff well before spring tillage so the final crop residue measurement can be made.
- A final residue measurement of at least 50% is required prior to planting the next crop in the following spring.
- Cover crop residue will be measured prior to April 1, establishing a firm spring deadline for measurements of success, and achieving the goal of ensuring over-winter cover.
- Cover crops are not to be used for forage or grazing. The project is not eligible for funding if the field is grazed or harvested.
- Applicants with more than 100 acres planted into cover crops can receive payment for the best 100 acres that meet the 50% cover crop residue measurement.

Performance Incentive:

Producers will be paid the incentive after ABCA staff has confirmed the field(s) were managed according to the guidelines. Producers do not have to produce proof of payment for cover crop seed as would be required for other grant categories. Thus, producers who grow their own seed are eligible to participate in the program.