

Fulton-Lucas 319 Grant Practice Details

Do you own or operate farmland in the Headwaters Tenmile Creek Watershed? This fall, the Lucas and Fulton Soil and Water Conservation Districts are working together to offer cost share on drainage water management, erosion control structures, and riparian buffers with grass or tree planting options! The details for each practice are listed below. Contact Jackie Savage at 419-337-9670 or Pete Carr at 419-337-9662 with questions or to enroll.

1) Riparian Buffers – Single-Species or Forested:

- Acres will be available to enroll until we reach 5 total acres.
- Land adjacent to a ditch or stream is eligible for enrollment.
- Buffers must be seeded with a cool season, or native warm season grass. Alternatively, buffers may be seeded with an appropriate land cover and then planted with native trees.
- Buffer width must be a minimum of 30 feet and a maximum of 300 feet wide. When establishing a forested buffer, trees will be planted at a rate of 300 trees/acre.
- Aerial or broadcast seeding will require a 20% increase in the seeding rate for risk of poor emergence.
- Landowners must commit to maintaining the buffers for a minimum of 5 years, including mowing as appropriate for the species, and monitoring and control of invasive species.
- Landowners must provide invoices and seed tags to their SWCD for verification.
- Landowners will be reimbursed at a rate of \$300 per acre with an additional \$2.00 per tree (for a total of \$900 per acre) if they choose to make it a forested buffer.

2) Prairie Buffers – Multi-Species:

- Acres will be available to enroll until we reach 5 total acres.
- Land adjacent to a ditch or stream is eligible for enrollment.
- Buffers must be seeded with a mix of native grasses and forbs.
- Buffer width must be a minimum of 30 feet and a maximum of 300 feet wide.
- Aerial or broadcast seeding will require a 20% increase in the seeding rate for risk of poor emergence.
- Landowners must commit to maintaining the buffers for a minimum of 5 years, including mowing as appropriate for the species, and monitoring and control of invasive species.
- Landowners must provide invoices and seed tags to their SWCD for verification.
- Landowners will be reimbursed at a rate of \$1000 per acre, to reflect the higher cost of native forbs.

3) Water Control and Erosion Control Structures:

- Installations will be eligible to receive a maximum payment of \$1,800 on a structure based upon actual costs.
- Plan to be designed by Lucas or Fulton SWCD staff according to NRCS standards and specifications.
- Landowners must provide invoices for materials and labor to their SWCD for verification.

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