



Wildlife Habitat Program: Establishment of Hay, Forages and Shelterbelts

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The purpose of the program is to restore and enhance habitat in the Souris River Watershed District (SRWD) by assisting producers in the establishment of tame forages and shrub/tree shelterbelts. These practices provide a number of benefits including enhanced habitat for at risk pollinators and waterfowl.

Please print.

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
(Box Number) (Town) (Postal Code)

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ E-MAIL: _____

LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: _____
(Quarter) (Section) (Township) (Range) (e.g. NW 1-2-3)

Municipality of _____

Subwatershed: Jackson-Graham-Gainsborough Stoney Creek Pipestone Creek
 Medora-Waskada Creeks Chain Lakes-Elgin Creek Whitewater Lake

Program of Interest: Forage or Shelterbelt (circle one)

Note:

- Tree Species will vary on land type
- To those participating in the tame forage program:
 - The quantity of seed is limited to **50 acres** per farming operation.
 - Priority will be given to areas targeted in the SRWD Integrated Watershed Management Plan and/or in Ducks Unlimited Canada's (DUC) waterfowl target area.
 - **Forage Mix:** Fleet meadow bromegrass (15%), intermediate wheat grass (12%), revenue slender wheatgrass (12%), Courtney tall fescue (12%), robust alfalfa (8%), crown royal orchard grass (8%) Tall wheatgrass (8%) rugged ST alfalfa (6%), sidewinder alfalfa (6%), express timothy (4%), alsike clover (3%), single cut red clover (3%).

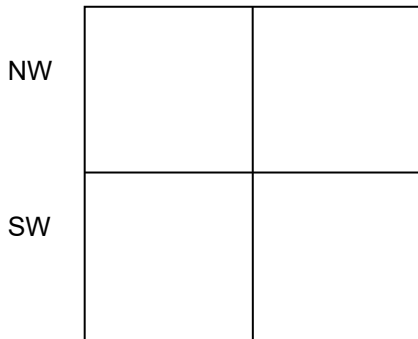
Previous Land Use: Cultivated _____ Pasture _____ Tame Hay _____
 Chem Fallow _____

Are you the registered landowner? Yes No **Are you the renter of the land?** Yes No

Project Diagram:

Comments:

Please indicate project site on diagram



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Applications are subject to Board approval and availability of funding. The Souris River Watershed District will notify landowners regarding approval/ disapproval of applications.

The SRWD Shall:

- 1. With respect to the shelterbelt program:
 - a. Provide tree seedlings to a maximum of 5680 feet and planted by SRWD staff
- 2. With respect to the forage program:
 - a. Provide forage seed for seeding approximately ____ acres
- 3. Reserve the right to reasonable access to inspect the condition of the forage stands and/or shelterbelts.
- 4. Retain the option to erect signage.

The Landowner Shall:

- 1. Submit completed application form to the SRWD office. The registered landowner or renter of the land must fill out the application form.
- 2. Allow SRWD access to lands encompassed by this agreement for inspections and evaluation.
- 3. Consent to signage indicating the landowner’s participation in the program(s).
- 4. Report any changes pertaining to the lands under agreement to the SRWD.
- 5. With respect to the forage program:
 - a. Sow seed at a rate of 10 lbs per acre on the land specified in the application.
 - b. Not sell, trade or exchange seed received under this program.
 - c. Allow SRWD staff and representatives info on yields. As well as access to trap and survey pollinator species.
 - d. Keep the forage stand in production for 10 years.
 - e. Preserve the wetlands as shown in Schedule A (ArcMap) in a natural state as habitat for pollinators and waterfowl for the term of the agreement.
 - f. No cutting date restrictions. Grazing is not allowed in the establishment year.
 - g. Applying phosphate at seeding will significantly improve stand establishment.
 - h. If the forage stand is removed or destroyed earlier than the full ten years of agreement than the landowner agrees to reimburse the SRWD based on a pro-rated formula:

$$\text{Financial Assistance} \quad \times \quad \frac{\text{Years Remaining in Upland Agreement}}{\text{Total Years of Upland Agreement}}$$

It is understood that this agreement shall indemnify and save harmless the Souris River Watershed District, their agents, engineers, servants and/or employees from any liability which may result from the execution of the project.

I hereby declare that I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the Wildlife Habitat Program, and I do hereby agree to abide by said terms and conditions of the agreement; and that I agree to co-operate to the fullest extent with the Souris River Watershed District in completing and maintaining the project as outlined above.

Name of Applicant

Date

Regional Manager – SRWD

Ducks Unlimited Canada

Please return completed application form to your Regional Office:

Deloraine Office

Subwatershed:

- Medora-Waskada Creeks
- Chain Lakes/Elgin Creek
- Whitewater Lake

Box 508, 102 Broadway Street South
Deloraine, MB R0M 0M0

PH: 204-747-2530 FAX: 204-747-2956

Email: admin.deloraine@srwd.ca

Reston Office

Subwatershed:

- Pipestone Creek
- Stoney Creek
- Jackson/Graham/Gainsborough

Box 339, 404, 4th Street
Reston, MB. R0M 1X0

PH: 877-3020 FAX: 204-877-3090

Email: admin2.reston@srwd.ca

OFFICE USE ONLY

Sub District _____

Date Application Received _____

Approved _____

Not Approved _____

Project Site within DUC Target Area Yes No If yes: Primary Target Area Secondary Target Area

Comments _____

Signature of Approval _____ Date of Review _____

GPS Co-ordinates E _____ N _____

Project Expenditure: _____