



Conservation Crop Rotation - Small Grains



Compatible Practices:

Voluntary Nutrient Management

- Plan Development & Implementation
- Variable Rate Phosphorus Application
- Subsurface Phosphorus Placement
- Manure Incorporation
- Overwintering Cover Crops
- Drainage Water Management

Small Grains - Conservation Crop Rotation is....

Establishing a small grain (wheat, rye, barley, etc.) into an existing crop rotation to reduce erosion, improve soil health, increase cropping diversity and reduce water quality degradation due to excess nutrient loss.

How it works

- All nutrients are applied based on an approved VNMP
- Producer plants a winter annual small grain crop and harvests it for grain
- Producer plants a subsequent cover crop or double crop
- Crop residue or cover crop are maintained until March 15 of the following year

Benefits for Farmers

- Crop diversity and rotation are increased
- Allows for nutrient application in the summer and early fall which reduces the risk of nutrient loss through runoff
- Producer may apply for up to four years of funding for this practice
- Producer will receive \$35 per acre per, year

Partners in the H2Ohio Program include:





How to Apply?

If interested, contact your local soil and water conservation district:

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