

FUNDING:

Maximum cost-share funding allowed per project is \$7,000. Cost share rates:

-70% maximum provided by Bitterroot CD
-30% minimum provided by applicant

Applicant portion can be in the form of cash, in-kind services (i.e. labor), or from other conservation cost-share programs.

District cost-share funds combined with other funds cannot exceed the overall allowable cost of a practice.

LIMITATIONS:

There will be a limit of one project/ person or group/ year (private sector only). All projects must be completed within one year of approval. The proposed project must be located within Ravalli County.

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

The Bitterroot Conservation District will accept applications for its 2012 cost-share program starting October 15, 2011 through January 15, 2012.

Application deadline will be January 15, 2012 contracts will be awarded by April 2012.

All applicants will be notified whether or not they have been funded.

ELIGIBLE PRACTICES:

Only on-the-ground practices are Eligible. **No money is available for Research or studies.** The following Practices are examples of projects That would be considered for funding:

STREAM/FISHERIES IMPROVEMENTS:

- Bridge/Culvert replacement/upgrade
- Diversion replacement/upgrade
- Fish Screen Installation
- Grade stabilization structures (to control grade and head cutting)
- Irrigation delivery ditch upgrade
- Riparian forest buffers
- Streambank/shoreline protection
- Stream channel stabilization/vegetation

WILDLIFE HABITAT IMPROVEMENTS:

- Restoration and improvement of Native plant communities
- Wetland restoration
- Wildlife habitat improvement (improving food, water or cover for wildlife)

EROSION CONTROL:

- Filter strips (vegetation planted to remove sediment, organic matter or other pollutants from runoff/wastewater)
- Grassed waterways
- Grass/forb seedings
- Tree/Shrub planting

- Wildfire rehabilitation measures (planting of trees/shrubs/native grasses)

UPLANDS IMPROVEMENT:

- Fencing (cross fencing or fencing of riparian areas for livestock management)
- Fire protection/prevention
- Forest site preparation
- Forest stand improvement (pre-commercial thinning)
- Pest management/weed control
- Reforestation (planting conifers)
- Spring development
- Stockwater Pipeline to Stock tank(s)
- Tree/shrub planting
- Trough or tank (provide drinking water to livestock/wildlife)

Many of the above-mentioned practices are applicable to more than one category of resource improvement. Other ideas and practices not listed may also be considered.

For more information → → → → →

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COST-SHARE PROGRAM



Bitterroot Conservation District is offering a cost-share program for natural resource improvement within Ravalli County.