

Agricultural Cost-Share Grant Program for the Protection of Jackson Blue Spring and the Chipola Groundwater Contribution Area



The Northwest Florida Water Management District has cost-share funding available for projects to improve water quality and reduce water use demands in and around Jackson Blue Spring and the Chipola Groundwater Contribution Area. Eligible projects will increase efficiency in both irrigation and fertilizer use in the largest agricultural area in northwest Florida.

Eligibility:

- The project site must be located within Jackson Blue Spring BMAP or the Chipola Groundwater Contribution Area.
- 2. The project site must be in regulatory compliance.
- 3. The producer must enroll in an applicable FDACS-adopted BMP program.

Selection Guidelines:

All eligible producers will be considered for cost-share with those who have not received funding previously having priority. Enrolling in the FDACS BMP program and having a mobile irrigation lab evaluation in advance will accelerate the process.

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Eligible BMP Tools:

Conservation Tillage

Cover Crops Strip Till No-till Drill Crimper Roller Variable Rate Sprayer Seed Tender True No-till Planter Row Cleaners GPS System Ripper Roller Other Special Projects

Nutrient Management

Cover Crops Variable Rate Spreader Variable Rate Sprayer Granular Fertilizer Bander Liquid Fertilizer Bander GPS System Fertigation System Nurse Tank Precision Soil Sampling Weather Station Bulk Storage/Handling Equipment In-row Application System Other Special Projects

Irrigation Management

Cover Crops Nozzle Package **Control Panel** Variable Rate Irrigation Pump Upgrade Diesel/Electric Conversion **Electrical Conductivity Mapping** Weather Station **End-gun Shut Off** Variable Frequency Drives Remote Control Technology **GPS** System Soil Moisture Sensors Flow Meters Automation Technology **Other Special Projects**

Sod-Based Rotation

Pasture Grass Establishment Livestock Management Equipment Irrigation Management Equipment Nutrient Management Equipment Conservation Tillage Equipment

Cost-Shareamounts:

Up to 75% cost-share for a maximum of \$100,000 cost-share reimbursement per producer.

Contact:

Cost-Share Questions

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