

Crop Rotation - Pest Management Enhancements #01

DESCRIPTION - This enhancement uses a crop rotation to interrupt pest cycles. Use a minimum of 3 different crops and never grow the same crop 2 years in a row during a five year period. This will help break insect, weed and disease cycles resulting in the need for less pesticide. It will also take advantage of nitrogen from prior crops resulting in the need for less fertilizer.

Enhancement Requirements

The CSP participant will use a crop rotation that has a minimum of 3 different crops in the rotation, and will not repeat the same crop for two years in a row during a five year period on the same acres.

Corn as grain, silage, seed and sweetcorn are considered the same crop for purposes of this enhancement. Double-crop soybeans planted in one year are not eligible if soybeans were planted the previous year or the following year.

If another different crop is replanted in any year as a result of crop failure of the first planted crop, the first and original crop planted shall be considered the crop in rotation for that year.



Performance Requirements

Required Documentation = The CSP Participant will certify this activity annually by signing an annual payment certification letter and submitting it to the NRCS office servicing the contract. The CSP Participant will retain annual records of the locations of all crops planted.

Payment will be per acre per year for the number of cropland acres planned and managed using this enhancement.

Enhancements must be established for one full crop season before payments can be made.

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