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Practice Code	Practice Name	Scenario	Unit Type	Unit Payment Rate	Payment Cap	Livestock Practice
316	Animal Mortality Facility	Static Pile - Concrete Pad with Concrete Bins	CU FT	\$1.62	\$22,000	Y
316	Animal Mortality Facility	In vessel Rotary Drum <700 CU FT	CU FT	\$61.91	\$22,000	Y
316	Animal Mortality Facility	In vessel Rotary Drum ≥700 CU FT	CU FT	\$48.91	\$22,000	Y
Payment will be based on volume of bin storage as planned by an NRCS engineer.						
Rotary drum size calculated as volume of drum in cubic feet. Payment cap is per facility. If a Static Pile Concrete Pad is needed in conjunction with a Rotary Drum, the cap applies to each component separately. In this case, schedule as separate CINs.						
Does not include roof. Add (367) Roofs and Covers as appropriate.						
317	Composting Facility	Compacted Gravel Pad - 6" compacted gravel	SQ FT	\$0.68		Y
327	Conservation Cover	Introduced Grass	AC	\$508		
327	Conservation Cover	Native Grass	AC	\$538		
327	Conservation Cover	Pollinator Habitat	AC	\$617		
327	Conservation Cover	Prairie Restoration	AC	\$792		
A (142) Fish and Wildlife Habitat Management Conservation Activity Plan is required to be completed before Sedge Meadow and Aquatic Emergent scenario can be scheduled in an application.						
328	Conservation Crop Rotation	Add Small Grain	AC	\$77	\$3,850	
Payment only eligible for the year in the rotation where the new crop is planted or established and only on the acres where the additional crop(s) are planted. Payment cap is per year in a contract.						
Rotation cannot include back-to-back low residue crops without a cover crop.						
Must be planned to meet the Field Office Tech Guide 328 additional criteria to improve soil quality.						
Low residue crops include soybeans, wheat or other small grain with stubble removed (<8 in), corn silage, etc.						
To be eligible for payment, adoption of this practice must result in an additional crop added to the rotation.						
Tillage system must meet (329) Residue and Tillage Management - No-Till/Strip Till or (345) Residue and Tillage Management Modified No-Till each year except when terminating a perennial sod.						
340	Cover Crop	Grass or Cereal Grains	AC	\$37	\$18,500	
The cover crop can <b>not</b> be harvested for grain or seed.						
Any cover crop mix that meets the 340 Standard is eligible for payment. If the cover crop is planned to be grazed, follow the technical requirements (seed rates, etc.) under 512 Forage and Biomass planting.						
Eligible for up to three payments. Payment cap is per year.						
342	Critical Area Planting	Grass/Legume Mix-Normal Tillage	AC	\$281		
Use this scenario as the seeding component in support of practices such as Grassed Waterway.						
342	Critical Area Planting	Grass/Legume Mix-Moderate Grading	AC	\$829		
362	Diversion	Diversion -Small (<2CY/FT)	FT	\$2.40		

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554	Drainage Water Management	Drainage Water Management	NO	\$131		
Payment for this practice is per water management structure used to control water levels.						
Eligible for up to three payments per structure. All structures must be scheduled under one CIN each of the maximum of three years.						
386	Field Border	Introduced Grass	AC	\$507		
386	Field Border	Native Grass	AC	\$538		
386	Field Border	Pollinator Habitat	AC	\$573		
393	Filter Strip	Native Species, No Fertility Required	AC	\$684		
393	Filter Strip	Introduced Species with Fertility	AC	\$561		
394	Firebreak	Vegetated Permanent Firebreak	FT	\$0.19		
Firebreaks must be included in a prescribed burn plan developed for management of vegetative practices established for wildlife benefits.						
512	Forage and Biomass Planting	Introduced Grass Establishment or Renovation	AC	\$176		Y
512	Forage and Biomass Planting	Interseed Legumes and/or Forbs	AC	\$117		Y
512	Forage and Biomass Planting	Native Grass Establishment or Renovation with fertility	AC	\$326		Y
Follow IN Seeding Calculator when completing any (512) Forage and Biomass Planting scenario						
Producers must provide a soil test taken in the last 4 years for pasture or in the last 2 years for hayland or converted cropland, to be considered under this practice to show adequate fertility.						
Cost for fence and livestock watering facilities are not eligible to be added to the application on land units where cropland is being converted for grazing purposes unless as defined in 515.81(1)(i). Refer to guidance for (382) Fence for an example.						
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	Rock Rip Rap Chute	CY	\$48.71		
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	Grouted Rock Rip Rap Chute	CY	\$70.08		
Cubic yards for grouted and non-grouted chute based on riprap only and does not include bedding. Convert tons to CY by dividing by 1.5 (1 CY = 1.5 Tons rip rap)						
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	Pipe Drop, Smooth Steel or CMP	SQ FT	\$9.84		
Square feet unit is calculated by multiplying weir length X barrel length. (Example: 36 IN diameter riser with 40 FT barrel (pipe) is 3' X 3.14 X 40' = 377 SQ FT)						
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	Open Flow Drop Spillway	SQ FT	\$108.42		
Includes aluminum toe wall drop structures. Square feet unit equals feet of weir X drop height.						
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	Steel Sheet Pile Structure	SQ FT	\$168.21		
Square feet unit equals feet of weir X drop height.						
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	Concrete Drop Structure	CY	\$585.10		
Cubic yards is volume of concrete needed for structure.						
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	Side Inlet	FT	\$47.52		
Straight pipe structure. Unit is based on feet of pipe length.						

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412	Grassed Waterway	<35' Top Width	AC	\$2,554		
412	Grassed Waterway	35'-55' Top Width	AC	\$2,702		
412	Grassed Waterway	>55' Top Width	AC	\$3,289		
<b>(412) Grassed Waterway no longer includes the cost of seeding. Schedule (342) Critical Area Planting as the seeding component.</b>						
315	Herbaceous Weed Control	Herbaceous Weed Control Blanket Treatment Multi Pass	AC	\$132		
Eligible only if identified as necessary in an approved Management Plan. An up-to-date Forest Stewardship Plan, Conservation Activity Plan, or other plan that covers the elements below, meets this requirement.						
Plan must include: Identification of all species needing treatment; Timing and methods for treatment; Estimated area of treatment. All species identified in the list below are to be treated with the payment.						
To ensure adequate time is provided to complete 315, this practice should only be scheduled in the year after a CAP is scheduled to be completed, if a CAP is needed.						
Chemical control methods are required.						
Eligible on Forestland or Pastureland to control: <b>Japanese Honeysuckle, Japanese Stilt grass, Oriental Bittersweet, Periwinkle, Sericea Lespedeza, Winter Creeper.</b>						
Area of Treatment will be determined as follows: If a 20-acre tract has several small areas of infestation, do not consider the entire 20 acres as needing treatment. Total acres treated is an aggregate percent of the estimated area of infestation.						
Example: if 20% of a 20 acre area is affected, then four (4) acres (20 AC X 20% = 4AC) is considered the treated acres and eligible for payment.						
315	Herbaceous Weed Control	Tree and Shrub Weed Control	AC	\$112		
Post Planting herbicide treatment is eligible for year following the tree planting year for a total of one payment.						
468	Lined Waterway or Outlet	Rock Lined - 12"	SQ FT	\$2.25		
468	Lined Waterway or Outlet	Turf Reinforced Matting	SQ FT	\$0.81		
Turf reinforcement mat may not be used for scenarios with permanent water or long duration tail water.						
484	Mulching	Natural Material Vegetation Establishment	AC	\$222		
484	Mulching	Erosion Control Blanket Vegetation Establishment	AC	\$5,951		
484	Mulching	ECB for Endangered Species	AC	\$7,623		
484 is only eligible to support another practice for the purpose of establishment of permanent vegetative cover.						

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590	Nutrient Management	Basic Nutrient Management	AC	\$11	\$5,500	
Eligible on cropland or pastureland if at least one of the following 3 scenarios is not occurring but all 3 will be implemented:						
1 Soil Testing has not occurred within the last four years, but regular soil testing will occur.						
2 Nitrogen is currently being applied in the fall/early winter without a nitrification inhibitor. Nitrogen will now be injected with a nitrification inhibitor or not applied in the fall/early winter. Surface applications of DAP and MAP are permitted but not on frozen soil or snow covered ground.						
3 Nitrogen is currently applied as a single pre-plant application, but will be split applied/side dressed in the spring.						
Erosion must be controlled to T as documented with RUSLE2.						
Concentrated flow erosion must be controlled/stabilized as much as possible. Ephemeral erosion that forms annually should be controlled to limit nutrient transport.						
Only one 590 scenario may be scheduled for a land unit at any given time in a contract.						
Irrigation Water Management (449) is required to be implemented when 590 is applied to irrigated land.						
The 590 plan must be developed prior to the practice implementation. <b>Cost of hiring a TSP to write, deliver and assist in updating the plan for each year is included in the per acre payment. TSP TA funds are no longer eligible for payment for new 590.</b>						
Eligible for up to three payments per contract. Payment cap is per year.						
590	Nutrient Management	Basic Nutrient Management with Manure	AC	\$17	\$8,500	Y
Available for cropland and pasture/hay fields where animal wastes are being utilized. Must meet the requirements for Basic Nutrient Management in addition to the following requirements:						
Where an applicant is importing or exporting manure, they must provide a contract/agreement that shows the terms of receiving or exporting manure for the life of the EQIP contract.						
Land under a newly written CNMP plan is eligible for 590 Basic w/Manure as long as it is not prohibited by other provisions in this section.						
Soil tests must have been completed within the last 4 years to be valid. The minimum number of acres necessary for the manure application shall be based on the IDEM " Manure Application Land Requirements."						
Only fields with a soil test phosphorus level of <50 ppm (100 lbs) per acre will be eligible.						
The applicant can be the generator or receiver of the waste and must have control of the fields that receive the waste during the life of the contract.						
Criteria for the payment are tied to fields that will receive the waste and will result in one of the following changes in current management:						
Pre-sidedress soil nitrate test (PSNT) and/or chlorophyll meter (SPAD) are not currently being used, but will be completed on cropland receiving manure. Follow Purdue University CES publication (AY-314-W or AY-317-W) guidelines.						
Manure may not be applied on frozen or snow covered ground.						
Municipal sewage sludge applications are not eligible.						
Only one 590 scenario may be scheduled for a land unit at any given time in a contract.						
Irrigation Water Management (449) is required to be implemented when 590 is applied to irrigated land.						
The 590 plan must be developed prior to the practice implementation. <b>Cost of hiring a TSP to write, deliver and assist in updating the plan for each year is included in the per acre payment. TSP TA funds are no longer eligible for payment for new 590.</b>						
Eligible for up to three payments per contract. Payment cap is per year.						

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590	Nutrient Management	Enhanced Nutrient Management	AC	\$34	\$17,000	
Eligible on cropland only.						
Eligible only if at least one of the following 3 scenarios is not currently occurring, but all 3 will be implemented:						
1 Intensive soil sampling (Grid or Soil Management Zone = 5 AC or less)						
2 Intensively managed nutrient application placement (variable rate for P, K, and lime) for all years on all applications.						
NOTE: Variable rate does not apply to starter fertilizer for corn/wheat, N sidedress application and/or small grain top-dress (N or P)						
3 No Fall nitrogen application for Spring seeded crops (corn/soybean). Fall N application for wheat is permitted. Fall applications of DAP and MAP are permitted but not on frozen or snow-covered ground.						
No phosphorus applications allowed on frozen or snow covered ground						
No phosphorus applications allowed where soil test levels for phosphorus exceed 50 ppm.						
Only one 590 scenario may be scheduled for a land unit at any given time in a contract.						
Nutrient Management-High Management can follow Nutrient Management-Basic Management; however, NM-Basic Management cannot follow NM-High Management.						
Erosion must be controlled to "T" as documented with RUSLE2.						
Concentrated flow erosion must be controlled/stabilized as much as possible. Ephemeral erosion that forms annually should be controlled to limit nutrient transport.						
Drainage Water Management (DWM) (554) (Applies to drained land only). DWM is mandatory when feasible for the site if the site is suitable for DWM and is one of the participants management objectives.						
<b>The 590 plan must be developed prior to the practice implementation. Cost of hiring a TSP to write, deliver and assist in updating the plan for each year is included in the per acre payment. TSP TA funds are no longer eligible for payment for new 590.</b>						
Irrigation Water Management (449) is required to be implemented when 590 is applied to irrigated land.						
Eligible for up to three payments per contract. Payment cap is per year.						
In addition to the above guidelines, the following supporting practices must already be in place or planned for application to be eligible for this payment:						
Must be planned to meet the Field Office Tech Guide 328 additional criteria to improve soil quality.						
328-Conservation Crop Rotation <b>PLUS</b> 329-Res. Mgmt No-Till <b>PLUS</b> 340-Cover Crop (required each year only when Phosphorus, or manure is fall applied) <b>PLUS: (see next line)</b>						
A buffer under the following practice codes will be established along all waters bodies: 386, 393, 332, 390, 391, 412, 422, 327, or 342 within a field, or 380.						

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590	Nutrient Management	Enhanced Nutrient Management with Manure	AC	\$41	\$20,500	Y
Must meet the requirements of Basic Nutrient Management with Manure, plus either of the following:						
1 Manure applications on Summer (after wheat), Autumn, Winter or after corn silage allowed only with a cover crop, established prior to or within 2 weeks after manure application, and/or the use of a nitrification inhibitor.						
2 Eligible for Spring manure applications, only if switching manure application from Summer (after wheat), Autumn, or Winter.						
Only one 590 scenario may be scheduled for a land unit at any given time in a contract.						
Manure may not be applied on frozen or snow covered ground.						
Irrigation Water Management (449) is required to be implemented when 590 is applied to irrigated land.						
The 590 plan must be developed prior to the practice implementation. <b>Cost of hiring a TSP to write, deliver and assist in updating the plan for each year is included in the per acre payment. TSP TA funds are no longer eligible for payment for new 590.</b>						
Eligible for up to three payments per contract. Payment cap is per year.						
590	Nutrient Management	Enhanced Nutrient Mgmt with Tissue Testing	AC	\$54	\$27,000	
<b>Enhanced Nutrient Management with Tissue Testing requires that the following criteria be met in addition to completing plant tissue testing according a job sheet to be issued at a later date.</b>						
Eligible on cropland only. Must meet the requirements of Nutrient Management Basic Management.						
Eligible only if at least one of the following 3 scenarios is not currently occurring, but all 3 will be implemented:						
1 Intensive soil sampling (Grid or Soil Management Zone = 5 AC or less)						
2 Intensively managed nutrient application placement (variable rate for P, K, and lime) for all years on all applications.						
NOTE: Variable rate does not apply to starter fertilizer for corn/wheat), N sidedress application and/or small grain top-dress (N or P)						
3 No Fall nitrogen application for Spring seeded crops (corn/soybean). Fall N application for wheat is permitted. Fall applications of DAP and MAP are permitted but not on frozen or snow-covered ground.						
Only one 590 scenario may be scheduled for a land unit at any given time in a contract.						
Erosion must be controlled to T as documented with RUSLE2.						
Concentrated flow erosion must be controlled/stabilized as much as possible. Ephemeral erosion that forms annually should be controlled to limit nutrient transport.						
Drainage Water Management (DWM) (554) (Applies to drained land only). DWM is mandatory when feasible for the site if the site is suitable for DWM and is one of the participants management objectives.						
The 590 plan must be developed prior to the practice implementation. <b>Cost of hiring a TSP to write, deliver and assist in updating the plan for each year is included in the per acre payment. TSP TA funds are no longer eligible for payment for new 590.</b>						
Irrigation Water Management (449) is required to be implemented when 590 is applied to irrigated land.						
Eligible for up to three payments per contract. Payment cap is per year.						
In addition to the above guidelines, the following supporting practices must already be in place or planned for application to be eligible for this payment:						
328-Conservation Crop Rotation PLUS 329-Res. Mgmt No-Till PLUS 340-Cover Crop (required each year only when phosphorus, or manure is fall applied) PLUS: (see next line)						
A buffer under the following practice codes will be established along all water bodies: 386, 393, 332, 390, 391, 412, 422, 327, or 342 within a field, or 380.						

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590	Nutrient Management	Adaptive Nutrient Management	EA	\$1,608		
Eligible on cropland only. Payment is per field/plot where strip trial is conducted.						
Refer to National Agronomy Tech Note No. 6 (TN_190_AGR_6) <a href="http://directives.sc.egov.usda.gov/viewerFS.aspx?hid=30617">http://directives.sc.egov.usda.gov/viewerFS.aspx?hid=30617</a> for information about setting up strip trials.						
Design, implementation and evaluation will require the participation of a qualified private or public entity such as Purdue, MRBI project partner, or other entity who has the expertise to provide this assistance.						
Eligible for up to three payments per plot.						
528	Prescribed Grazing	Low Intensity >7 Day Rotation Frequency	AC	\$21		Y
528	Prescribed Grazing	High Intensity <3 Day Rotation Frequency	AC	\$52		Y
Payments will also be available for other practices required as part of the conservation plan.						
"Stop grazing" heights must be verified/documented by the field office with at least 80% of the enrolled acreage under 528 meeting the standard in order to be eligible for payment.						
Refer to the Grazing Technical Note 1 for descriptions of the Grazing System for each scenario.						
Payment includes the typical scenario cost of temporary , movable fencing.						
Payment for 528 is not eligible in the same year on acreage receiving Nutrient Management (590) Basic Management.						
Eligible for up to three payments per contract.						
345	Residue and Tillage Management Mulch Till	Mulch Till Basic	AC	\$20	\$10,000	
<b>Must meet the Additional Criteria to Maintain or Improve Soil Quality in the 345 standard (use of "Indiana modified no-till" equipment that will result in a STIR rating of less than 30) to receive payment.</b>						
Applicant must have mulch tilled/modified no tilled and/or no tilled for no more than 5 consecutive years in order to be eligible for payment.						
The crop rotation for the contract period must include at least two years of a mulch till high residue crop.						
Examples of high residue crops include: Corn (grain), Millet, Milo, Oats, Popcorn, Rye, Sorghum, Sorghum-Sudan Grass Hybrid, Triticale and Wheat.						
Must develop Nutrient Management (590) and Pest Management (595) plans that are specific for a Mulch Till system and have any component critical to the success of the system implemented the Autumn prior to the implementation of Mulch Till.						
This is to address issues that may limit the success of Mulch Till implementation. Payments will be provided for Nutrient and Pest Management practices as well if requirements are met.						
345 can only precede 329 in a contract where 345 is used as a transition from conventional tillage to 329.						
If a contract contains 345 and 329 as a way to transition, the total amount of payment may not exceed <b>three</b> when combined with 329. This is the only case in which both 345 and 329 can be used on one contract.						
Eligible for only one payment per contract.						

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329	Residue and Tillage Management, No Till/Strip Till	No Till/Strip Till	AC	\$24	\$12,000	
<b>A STIR rating of less than 20 must be documented to receive this payment.</b>						
This practice must be applied to the <b>same acres</b> all three years in which payments are made.						
Applicant must have no-tilled for no more than 5 consecutive years in order to be eligible for payment based on the Indiana NRCS 329 Practice Standard.						
The crop rotation for the contract period must include at least two years of a No Till high residue crop.						
Examples of high residue crops include: Corn (grain), Millet, Milo, Oats, Popcorn, Rye, Sorghum, Sorghum-Sudan Grass Hybrid, Triticale and Wheat.						
Must develop Nutrient Management (590) and Pest Management (595) plans that are specific for a No Till system and have any component critical to the success of the system implemented the Autumn prior to the implementation of No Till.						
This is to address issues that may limit the success of No Till implementation. Payments will be provided for Nutrient and Pest Management practices as well if requirements are met.						
345 may only precede 329 in a contract where 345 is used as a transition from conventional tillage to 329.						
If a contract contains 345 and 329 as a way to transition, the total amount of payment may not exceed three for any combination of 345 and 329.						
This is the only case in which both 345 and 329 can be used on one contract.						
Eligible for up to three payments per contract. Payment cap is per year.						
Agronomy Tech Notes 1-4 are references for this practice at: <a href="http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/intranet/TechnicalNotes/technicalnotes.html">http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/intranet/TechnicalNotes/technicalnotes.html</a>						
587	Structure for Water Control	Drainage Water Management, ≤10" Pipe	NO	\$1,150		
Payment is for installation of water level control structure in Drainage Water Management system for outlet sizes 10" or less.						
587	Structure for Water Control	Drainage Water Management, ≥12" Pipe	NO	\$1,649		
Payment is for installation of water level control structure in Drainage Water Management system for outlets sized 12" or larger.						
606	Subsurface Drain	≤5" CPP	FT	\$1.59		
606	Subsurface Drain	6" CPP	FT	\$1.85		
606	Subsurface Drain	8" CPP	FT	\$2.55		
606	Subsurface Drain	10" CPP	FT	\$3.84		
606	Subsurface Drain	12" CPP	FT	\$4.60		
606	Subsurface Drain	≥ 15" CPP	FT	\$7.45		
606 is paid only as a supporting practice to another EQIP practice.						
Payment is not to exceed the payment on the other EQIP practice that 606 is supporting.						
In conjunction with a Grassed Waterway or Diversion, payment is limited to payment rate of 8" tile.						
Exception: Where an existing tile crosses a Grassed Waterway or Diversion and needs to be replaced, payment will be for replacement of the existing tile for the width of the waterway, but diameters greater than 15" will be paid at the 15" rate.						

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612	Tree and Shrub Establishment	Hardwood Establishment, Bareroot	AC	\$658		
A Forestry Plan meeting Forest Management Plan-Written (106) standard must be developed prior to receiving payment.						
NOTE: A plan developed outside of EQIP financial assistance for 106 meets this requirement as long as the plan meets the 106 standard. Forest Stewardship plans qualify.						
658	Wetland Creation	Excavated Wetland Creation	AC	\$3,092		
658	Wetland Creation	Embankment Wetland Creation	AC	\$2,934		
659	Wetland Enhancement	Mineral Flat Tile Removal	AC	\$403		
659	Wetland Enhancement	Depression Sediment Removal and Ditch Plug	AC	\$1,325		
657	Wetland Restoration	Mineral Flat Tile Removal	AC	\$403		
657	Wetland Restoration	Depression Sediment Removal and Ditch Plug	AC	\$1,325		
Mineral Flat Tile Removal scenario is to be used for projects with tile breaks and minimal seeding only.						
Schedule (327) Conservation Cover as the vegetation component for 657, 658, and 659.						
Depression Sediment Reoval and Ditch Plug involves macro-topography, levees, structures and/or extensive seeding.						
Acres implemented are only those where hydrology restoration will occur and not any buffer areas.						
Construction of nesting islands is NOT eligible for compensation.						