



# ASSINIBOINE WEST WATERSHED DISTRICT



## 2026 PROGRAM FUNDING GUIDE

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### WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

### DISTRICT SUPPORT

<b>SHALLOW WETLAND INCENTIVE PROGRAM</b>	PROTECT TEMPORARY SHALLOW WETLANDS BY NOT DRAINING OR BACKFILLING THEM. NO AGRICULTURAL USE RESTRICTIONS. NO CAVEATS/EASEMENTS. 10-YEAR TERM.	UP TO \$85/ACRE/YR
<b>WETLAND RESTORATION</b>	RESTORATION OF DRAINED OR DEGRADED WETLANDS ON WORKING LANDS SUCH AS PLUGGING SURFACE DRAINS.	UP TO 100% (additional payments available)
<b>SMALL DAMS</b>	WATER STORAGE PROJECTS INCLUDE WATER IMPOUNDMENTS FOR FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL, WILDLIFE BENEFITS AND WATER USE.	100%
<b>RIPARIAN FENCING</b>	THE DISTRICT WILL FUND A PORTION OF FENCING COSTS TO PRODUCERS TO LIMIT LIVESTOCK ACCESS TO NATURAL OR ARTIFICIAL WATER SOURCES.	UP TO 85% (annual payments available)
<b>ALTERNATIVE WATERING SYSTEMS</b>	WATERING SYSTEMS PROVIDE LIVESTOCK WITH A CLEAN SOURCE OF DRINKING WATER AND IMPROVES WATER QUALITY ON SITE AND DOWNSTREAM.	UP TO 85%
<b>GRASSED WATERWAYS</b>	TO STABILIZE NATURAL WATER COURSES ON STEEP SLOPES AND PREVENT SOIL EROSION AND SALINITY ON ADJACENT LANDS.	UP TO 100%
<b>GULLY STABILIZATION &amp; RIPARIAN RESTORATION</b>	RESTORATION OF DEGRADED RIPARIAN AREAS. EXAMPLE: CONSTRUCTED WORKS TO STABILIZE BANKS AND PREVENT EROSION.	UP TO 100%
<b>STREAM CROSSINGS</b>	LOW LEVEL CROSSINGS IMPROVE ANIMAL HEALTH, IMPROVE WATER QUALITY, AND IMPROVE FIELD ACCESS.	UP TO 50% (Cost share, max of \$3,500)
<b>WELLS &amp; ABANDONED WELL SEALING</b>	THE DISTRICT WILL SEAL ABANDONED WELLS TO REDUCE THE RISK OF GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION.	LANDOWNER PAYS \$100 PER WELL

### SOIL CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

### DISTRICT SUPPORT

<b>PERENNIAL FORAGE CONVERSION</b>	CONVERTING CROPLAND TO PERENNIAL FORAGE CAN HELP IMPROVE DEGRADED SOILS TO BECOME MORE PRODUCTIVE OVERTIME BY REDUCING SOIL EROSION AND HELP SEQUESTER CARBON.	UP TO 75%
<b>PERENNIAL SALINE TOLERANT FORAGE SOW DOWN</b>	SEED UNPRODUCTIVE SALINE AREAS TO PERENNIAL FORAGES TO HELP WATER INFILTRATE EASIER AND PREVENT SALINITY EXPANSION.	UP TO 75% (annual payments available)
<b>SHELTERBELTS</b>	AWWD WILL ASSIST LANDOWNERS WITH DESIGN, ORDER TREES, AND PLANTING OF SHELTERBELTS.	75% FUNDING AND \$200/ACRE/YR



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WORKING TOGETHER TO INCREASE THE RESILIENCY AND LONGEVITY OF OUR LANDSCAPES

### SOIL CONSERVATION PROGRAMS CONTINUED...

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#### DISTRICT SUPPORT

##### POLLINATOR BUFFER STRIPS

ESTABLISH POLLINATOR BUFFER STRIPS ALONG MARGINAL CROPLAND ACRES TO PROVIDE POLLINATOR HABITAT AND POTENTIAL YIELD INCREASES.

UP TO 75%  
\$175/ACRE/YR  
annual payments

##### COVER CROPS

**ELIGIBLE PRACTICES INCLUDE:**  
POLYCROPPING/INTERCROPPING, SHOULDER SEASON, RELAY CROPPING, MUST BE MINIMUM 2 SPECIES.  
**NOT ELIGIBLE:** CASH CROPS AND PERENNIAL CROPS.

UP TO 85%  
Max \$50/ACRE

### LAND MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

#### DISTRICT SUPPORT

##### ROTATIONAL GRAZING

**ELIGIBLE PRACTICES INCLUDE:** FENCING, WATERING SYSTEMS, IMPROVING PASTURE COMPOSITIONS AND CREATION OF A ROTATIONAL GRAZING MANAGEMENT PLAN.

UP TO 85%  
COST SHARE

##### NITROGEN MANAGEMENT

**ELIGIBLE PRACTICES INCLUDE:** USE OF POLYMER COATED UREA FERTILIZER, USE OF UREASE INHIBITORS, AGRONOMIC SUPPORT FOR NITROGEN MANAGEMENT PLANS, SOIL TESTING, SOIL MAPPING, ADDING LEGUMES TO CROP ROTATION AND UPGRADING SEEDER EQUIPMENT.

UP TO 85%  
COST SHARE

##### PASTURE REJUVENATION

SOD SEED LEGUMES INTO EXISTING TAME GRASSLANDS

UP TO 85%  
Max \$50/ACRE

##### ON-FARM RESEARCH

A RESEARCH-BASED PROGRAM THAT COLLABORATES WITH PRODUCERS TO DEVELOP GRASSROOTS SOLUTIONS FOR REDUCING AGRICULTURAL IMPACTS ON CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT.

5-YEAR PROJECT  
CALL FOR MORE INFO

##### REGENERATIVE AG PROGRAM (GROWING ROOTS)

THIS PROGRAM INTRODUCES FARMERS AND RANCHERS TO THE PRINCIPLES OF SOIL HEALTH AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REGENERATIVE AG PRACTICES.

UP TO \$35/ACRE

##### GRASSLAND GRAZING MANAGEMENT

THIS PROJECT SUPPORTS ECOLOGICAL ENHANCEMENTS OF GRASSLANDS WITH INFRASTRUCTURE AND ANNUAL PAYMENTS TO AVOID CONVERSION OF GRASSLANDS

UP TO 85%  
(annual payments available)

### AVAILABLE FOR RENT

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#### DISTRICT SUPPORT

##### PIPELINE PLOW

AWWD OFFERS TO PARTNER WITH PRODUCERS IN ESTABLISHING OFF-SITE WATERING VIA BURIED PIPELINE IN PASTURES. PROGRAM INCLUDES RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT AND ASSISTANCE WITH INSTALLATION PROCESS.

UP TO 85%

##### MANDAKO COVER CROP ROLLER CRIMPER 15'

THIS CRIMPER WILL ALLOW YOU TO TERMINATE A COVER CROP AND KEEP THE SOIL COVERED.

★ NEW ★  
\$50 TO RENT

##### JOHN DEERE 1590 NO-TILL DRILL 15'

MINIMIZE SOIL DISTURBANCE, WHILE CONSERVING SOIL MOISTURE BY USING THIS DRILL.

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