CAMBRIA COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT COVER CROP INCENTIVE PROGRAM 2023-2024

- 1. Incentive payment will be \$40 per established acre. Number of acres funded will depend on the total number of eligible acres submitted and the total amount of funding allocated to the Program.
- 2. Cover crop plantings cannot be receiving funding through other programs on the same fields.
- 3. Single species or multi-species cover crops may be utilized.
- 4. Cover crops cannot be winter killed/frost killed species.
- 5. Crops must be planted by November 15, 2023.
- 6. Cover crops can be harvested for forage, but not grain, after it has been verified by the Conservation District.
- 7. Cover crops may be harvested after April 1, 2024 and verification of the CD.
- 8. Must be planted by No Till, Minimum Till, or Broadcast methods.
- 9. Payment will be made after Final Verification (sometime before April 15, 2024 by the CCCD staff) of Cover Crop establishment, earlier kill or harvest inspections can be requested.
- 10. Farms must have a current Conservation Plan/Ag E&S plan and a current Manure Management Plan/Nutrient Management plan at the time of payment.
- 11. Applications will be due to the CCCD by December 1, 2023.
- 12. Application must include Maps showing fields and acreage of where cover crops are to be planted.
- 13. Cover crops must be planted in fields located in Cambria County.
- 14. Cover crop seed must be certified seed (validated by bag tag or receipt) or have been tested for germination, purity, and the absence of noxious weeds if Bin Run or other seed
 - Send to:
 - Seed Laboratory, Department of Agriculture
 - 2301 North Cameron St.
 - Harrisburg, PA 17110
- 15. Copies of seed tags, receipts, or testing certification must be provided to the CCCD prior to receiving payment.

Mail or drop off *Cover Crop Incentive Program Applications* to Sarah McMullen at Cambria County Conservation District 401 Candlelight Drive, Suite 229 Ebensburg, PA 15931. For more information call 814-472-2120 or email smcmullen@co.cambria.pa.us