

REQUEST FOR CONSERVATION PROGRAM CONTRACT WAIVER

Starting Practice Prior to Obligation Waiver

Title 440-512.23 (C) Waivers may be considered in special cases and for meritorious reasons for applications that meet all eligibility requirements, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

- 1) The practice was not started when the waiver application was made;
- 2) They have an up-to-date conservation plan and completed NRCS-CPA-52;
- 3) Meritorious reasons are documented.
- 4) The waiver must be granted after application for the program was made but before starting the practice.

SECTION I (COMPLETED BY APPLICANT)

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____ **Applicant's Phone Number:** () - _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

I have submitted an application to the local NRCS office on _____ (date) to participate in the _____ (program). I am requesting a waiver to begin the following practice(s) prior to approval of a conservation program contract.

Practice Code: _____ Practice Name: _____

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Select one of the following meritorious reasons and explain below:

- Alleviation of imminent and significant environmental problems.
- Prevention of endangerment of life or property.
- Unusual or Extreme Weather Constraints

Explanation: _____

Applicant Certification:

- ✓ I want to install the above-mentioned conservation practice before being approved for funding in the applicable conservation program.
- ✓ I have not started the practice.
- ✓ I fully understand my application may not become a contract and I will be responsible for the entire cost of installing this practice(s).
- ✓ I will not hold the NRCS liable in any way should these program funds not be made available to me.
- ✓ I understand that I may be ineligible to receive payments if the practice does not meet all NRCS requirements.
- ✓ I will acquire NRCS job sheets and designs prior to implementing the practice.
- ✓ I hereby request to begin installation and adoption of the above-identified conservation practice(s).

Applicant Name (signed)

Date

SECTION II (COMPLETED BY DC)

The applicant has submitted the following documentation necessary to determine eligibility:

- CCC-1200 Application
- AD-1026 – HEL/Wetland Compliance
- CCC941 – AGI
- CCC-901/902 (or entity papers)
- Control of Land

Other _____

The applicant meets all Program eligibility including "Other Eligibility"? YES NO

Select the following statements that apply for this applicant:

- The participant has a conservation plan that is signed by both the participant and NRCS. *(required now)*
- A CPA-52 (Environmental Evaluation) has been completed. *(required now)*
- The applicant has an NRCS approved Job Sheet and/or design for the practice(s) included in this waiver *(required now or before starting practice)*.
- I concur with the request for waiver to implement the practice prior to CPC approval.

DC Notes:

District Conservationist (signed)

Date

SECTION III (COMPLETED BY ASTC/FO)

Waiver Request:

- Approved
- Denied

Reason Denied:

This waiver expires on September 30, _____(year). If the application is not approved for funding by this date, the practice will no longer be eligible for payment.

ASTC/FO (signed)

Date