



**The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) provides technical and financial assistance to landowners and producers who want to develop a conservation plan on Cropland, Pasture, Hayland, Forestry, Headquarters, Certified Organic, Transitioning Organic that targets environmental resources by improving Soil, Water, Air, Plants, Animal and Human resources.**

**Before I apply for a Federal Program as an Individual with NRCS, I will need to do the following:**

1. Provide copy of a Deed or Notarized proof of Control of Land.
2. Obtain Farm Service Agency (FSA) maps for enrolled acres showing Farm and Tract number.
3. File AD-1026 (Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Compliance Certifications) and CCC-926 (Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)) with the Farm Service Agency (FSA).
4. Read, fill and sign NRCS application CCC-1200 and attached Appendix.
5. Complete and sign Standard Form-1199. (A Voided Check is required for your file)
6. Obtain an approved Conservation Plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

**Before I apply for a Federal Program as a Corporation/Organization/LLC/etc with NRCS, I will need to do the following:**

1. Obtain a notarized Power of Attorney showing that you can conduct business on behalf of the Org/Corp/LLC/etc.
2. Provide copy of a Deed or Notarized proof of Control of Land.
3. Obtain Farm Service Agency (FSA) maps for enrolled acres showing Farm and Tract number.
4. File AD-1026 (Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Compliance Certifications), CCC-926 (Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)), CCC-901 and CCC-902 with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) if applicable.
5. Read, fill and sign NRCS application CCC-1200 and attached Appendix.
6. Complete and sign Standard Form-1199. (A Voided Check is required for your file)
7. Obtain an approved Conservation Plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

**Before I apply for a Federal Program with NRCS as a Limited Resource Farmer, I will need to do the following:**

1. Certify that your Gross Farm Sales income in the last two years is less or equal to \$155,200 per year and that your household Adjusted Gross Income is less than \$21,200 per year. Show IRS Form 1040, Schedule F, Line 11. NRCS will only review the documentation, No copies are necessary.
2. Provide copy of a Deed or Notarized proof of Control of Land.
3. Obtain Farm Service Agency (FSA) maps for enrolled acres showing Farm and Tract number.
4. File AD-1026 (Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Compliance Certifications), CCC-926 (Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)), CCC-901 and CCC-902 with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) if applicable.
5. Read, fill and sign NRCS application CCC-1200 and attached Appendix.
6. Complete and sign Standard Form-1199. (A Voided Check is required for your file)
7. Obtain an approved Conservation Plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

**Before I apply for a Federal Program with NRCS as a Beginning Farmer/Rancher, I will need to do the following:**

1. Certify that you have not Filed Scheduled F once in the last 10 years. Show IRS Form 1040, Schedule F, Line 11. NRCS will only review the documentation, No copies are necessary.
2. Provide copy of a Deed or Notarized proof of Control of Land.
3. Obtain Farm Service Agency (FSA) maps for enrolled acres showing Farm and Tract number.
4. File AD-1026 (Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Compliance Certifications), CCC-926 (Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)), CCC-901 and CCC-902 with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) if applicable.
5. Read, fill and sign NRCS application CCC-1200 and attached Appendix.
6. Complete and sign Standard Form-1199. (A Voided Check is required for your file)
7. Obtain an approved Conservation Plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Before I apply for a Federal Program with NRCS for ***Forestry*** practices, I will need to do the following:

1. Obtain a **Forest Management Plan** from the **NC Forest Service**. (Tel-(910)-618-5540) or **Register Forester**.
2. Provide copy of a Deed or Notarized proof of Control of Land.
3. Obtain Farm Service Agency (FSA) maps for enrolled acres showing Farm and Tract number.
4. File AD-1026 (Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Compliance Certifications), CCC-926 (Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)), CCC-901 and CCC-902 with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) if applicable.
5. Read, fill and sign NRCS application CCC-1200 and attached Appendix.
6. Complete and sign Standard Form-1199. (A Voided Check is required for your file)
7. Obtain an approved Conservation Plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in support to your Forest Management Plan.

Before I apply for a Federal Program with NRCS as a ***Certified Organic Farm***, I will need to do the following:

1. Provide copy of the approved/signed Certified Organic System (OSP)
2. Provide copy of Deed or Notarized proof of Control of Land.
3. Obtain Farm Service Agency (FSA) maps for enrolled acres showing Farm and Tract number.
4. File AD-1026 (Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Compliance Certifications), CCC-926 (Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)), CCC-901 and CCC-902 with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) if applicable.
5. Read, fill and sign NRCS application CCC-1200 and attached Appendix.
6. Complete and sign Standard Form-1199. (A Voided Check is required for your file)
7. Obtain an approved Conservation Plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Before I apply for a Federal Program with NRCS as an ***Organic Transitioning Farm***, I will need to do the following:

1. Sign Self-Certifying letter agreeing to develop and follow, within 3 years, an Organic System Plan (OSP).
2. Provide copy of a Deed or Notarized proof of Control of Land.
3. Obtain Farm Service Agency (FSA) maps for enrolled acres showing Farm and Tract number.
4. File AD-1026 (Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Compliance Certifications), CCC-926 (Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)), CCC-901 and CCC-902 with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) if applicable.
5. Read, fill and sign NRCS application CCC-1200 and attached Appendix.
6. Complete and sign Standard Form-1199. (A Voided Check is required for your file)
7. Obtain an approved Conservation Plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

NRCS can provide you with the following documents or visit [www.nc.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/EQIP](http://www.nc.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/EQIP)

1. EQIP Application with Appendix (NRCS-CPA-1200)
2. Power of Attorney (POA) – Complete Form FSA-211 at the Farm Service Agency(FSA)
3. Control of Land Form
4. Self Certifying example letter for Transitioning Organic Farms.

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