



EXCEL Farm Project Proposal Form

Return this completed form and any attachments to:

KY EXCEL
Division of Compliance Assistance
300 Fair Oaks Lane
Frankfort, KY 40601
1-800-926-8111

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(A separate form must be submitted for each project being proposed.)

It is the responsibility of the member to ensure all necessary permits are obtained prior to commencing construction on a proposed project.

PROJECT SUMMARY

Farm or Advocacy Group Name: _____

Project Title: _____

Anticipated Completion Date: _____

Primary Target: _____

Project Description:

PROJECT MEASUREMENTS

ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT

VOLUNTARY PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM INSTRUCTIONS

This form is used to submit proposed voluntary environmental projects for KY EXCEL Farm program participation. ***A separate form must be completed for each project being proposed.*** If needed, supporting information may also be attached to this form.

- For a farm that is 10 acres or more, the voluntary project is recommended to be a best management practice associated with the farm's Agriculture Water Quality Plan (AWQP). If the farm does not currently have an AWQP, establishment of an AWQP may be the first year's project. The KY EXCEL Coordinator will be able to provide guidance and resources for creation.
- For an advocacy group, the voluntary project may be outreach/education associated with non-point source pollutant reduction.

SECTION I. PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Title: Enter the title of the project. Select a title that generally describes the project. Examples of project titles could include paper recycling program, hazardous waste reduction project, increasing energy efficiency, increasing wildlife habitat, increase or improvement of cover crops or buffer strips.

Anticipated Completion Date: Indicate the estimated time line for completing the project. This time frame could be a specific date, such as July 14, 2008, or a more general statement like winter of 2009.

Primary Target: Identify the individuals that will be most affected by the completion of this project. For example, your project may be targeted toward your farm's employees, a community, a specific agricultural sector, or the general public.

Project Description: In one page or less, describe your proposed project in more detail. Assume that the reader will have limited information on the project, so provide enough detail for the reader to understand the project and its objectives.

- For project ideas associated with an AWQP best management practice or to create an AWQP, please visit <http://www.bae.uky.edu/awqpt/>.

SECTION II. PROJECT MEASUREMENTS

Each year, KY EXCEL Farm members are required to report the results that were achieved by each voluntary project. Use this section to list how your organization will be measuring these results. KY EXCEL understands that not all projects will be easy to measure, but strongly encourages its members to quantify their project results as much as possible. It is acceptable to have more than one measurement for each project. Some examples of measurements include the amount of number of people trained, the pounds of hazardous waste reduced, the tons of paper recycled and the number of acres of trees planted.

- There are calculators and tools to help quantify nutrient management available at <http://www.bae.uky.edu/awqpt/calculators.htm>.

SECTION III. ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT

Describe the environmental benefits that would be expected as a result of completing the proposed voluntary project.

If you have any questions regarding KY EXCEL or the use of this form, contact KY EXCEL by calling toll-free at 1-800-926-8111.