South Dakota Soil Health Coalition

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Soil Health Planning and Improvement Project

Financial and Technical Assistance Application

Client Info

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ E-mail: _____

Other people involved in operation: _____

_____

Operation Info

Operation business name: _____

Land owned: _____ acres Land leased: _____ acres

Crop land: _____ acres Pasture: _____ acres Hay/forage land: _____ acres

County/counties where operation is located: _____

Crops grown: _____

Livestock raised (include breed and head count): _____

_____

Cropland management: ☐ No-till ☐ Strip till ☐ Vertical ☐ Conventional

Crop rotation: ☐ 1-2 ☐ 3-4 ☐ 5+

Rotational grazing: ☐ Yes ☐ No Cover crops: ☐ Full-season ☐ Following cash crops ☐ None

Livestock grazed on crop residue or cover crops: ☐ Yes ☐ No Riparian buffer strips: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Goals

Social goal: What do you want your family to look like in the future?

Economic goal: What do you want your business to look like in the future?

Conservation goal: What do you want your land to look like in the future?

Conservation Info

Does a current resource inventory exist for this operation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, when was it developed and by whom? _____

Does a current conservation plan exist for this operation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, when was it developed and by whom? _____

Is all or a portion of the project area covered under another cost share contract? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what program? _____

Project Info

Under this program, financial assistance may be available to aid in the implementation of the following practices: planting cover crops; planting forage and biomass in riparian areas; and fencing, planting riparian buffers, and stock watering best management practices for pasture grazing. Please describe in detail the project for which you are requesting financial aid and how it falls under the practices described above. Please include an estimate of materials needed, such as water tanks, pumps, length of pipeline and fence, etc.

Under this program, financial support for implementing best practices management must take place in one the active Section 319 watershed projects areas in South Dakota. These include the South Central Watershed Project, Northeast Glacial Lakes Watershed Project, Little Minnesota River Basin, Belle Fourche River, Vermillion River, and the entire Big Sioux River watershed. To help us determine if your project is located in one of these watersheds, please describe the exact project location (legal description of property location).

Nearest lake, river or stream from project area: ☐ Under 0.5 miles ☐ Under 1 mile ☐ Under 2 miles ☐ Over 2 miles

Producer Agreement

Are you interested in learning about other conservation best management practices? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you interested in technical assistance with implementing other conservation practices? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you interested in attending or hosting a tour and/or participating in other information programs: ☐ Yes ☐ No

By signing below, you agree to provide documentation of work completed on this project, including receipts for services and materials, documentation of time spent on supported work, and before and after photos. Additionally, you grant permission for SDSHC staff to access the work site and to access relevant participant files within the NRCS system.

_____ _____

Producer Signature Date