

Boone County Conservation District Farm Dump Clean Up Assistance Program

To participate in this program, the farm must be located in Boone County, Kentucky. A farm is defined as 10 or more acres in agricultural or forestry production. This program is offered to help farmers clean up farm dumps in order to comply with the Kentucky Agriculture Water Quality Act. A farm dump is defined by the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection as "any area on a farm used to dispose of household garbage, junk furniture, appliances, farm chemicals and anything else that is no longer useable."

By applying for help under this program, you are showing a good faith effort to clean up the dump. To process your application, a representative of the conservation district will visit your farm. Your application will not be shared with any other agency or organization.

If funded, participants must pay up to 25% of the cost of cleaning up the dump. Grant funds are limited to \$1,875 and will be made available as a reimbursement once the work is completed. You will be asked to furnish receipts and/or documentation for any cleanup and restoration work on the site, and for fees for proper disposal or recycling of materials from the dump. **Projects must be completed by May 31, 2010.**

Funding for this program is supplied by a grant from the Kentucky Division of Conservation through the Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost Share Program. It is illegal to dispose of your own or other people's garbage on your own property. Burning dumps is also illegal. Both practices pollute the environment and can cause illness and injury. The only safe and legal way to dispose of garbage is by hauling it to a permitted waste site. A person engaged in agricultural or forestry production who has failed or refused to comply with agriculture water quality planning and has been deemed a "bad actor" under KRS 224.71-130 shall lose eligibility for further cost share assistance. Therefore, this grant program is not available to landowners who are currently under any type of enforcement action.

Applications will be evaluated as they are received. The program will be available until all grant funds are expended. If the program is oversubscribed with eligible applications, applications will be prioritized for funding according to the following factors: proximity to a water body, if you have an Agriculture Water Quality Plan; and if the property is enrolled in the Kentucky Agricultural District Program.

To apply, contact your conservation district for an application. Applications are also available on the districts' web sites. Complete the application and return it to your county conservation district office by 5 p.m. on January 29, 2010. If possible, include a photograph of the dump site with your application. Please contact our district staff if you have any questions or need any help with your application.

Applications will be accepted until January 29, 2010.

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All programs and services of the Conservation District are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, political beliefs, and marital or familial status.

**Boone County Conservation District
Farm Dump Clean Up Assistance Program Application**

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip Code_____

Phone (Home)_____ (Cell)_____

(Daytime phone – if different than home)_____

E-mail:_____

1. Do you own the farm where the dump is located? (circle one) YES NO

If not, please explain:_____

2. Do you have an Agriculture Water Quality Plan for the farm? YES NO

3. Is the farm enrolled in the Kentucky Agricultural District Program? YES NO

4. To receive help under this program, you will be expected to provide at least 25% of the cost of cleaning up the farm dump. To help in cleaning up this dump, would you be able to provide the following? (Check all that apply.)

_____ Cash payment for labor, equipment or trash disposal fees

_____ Your own labor or the labor of family and friends

_____ Farm or other equipment to help remove trash

_____ Seed and equipment to replant the area after the trash has been removed

_____ Other (list) _____

5. Do you currently have garbage collection service? YES NO

If YES, with what company? _____

If NO, how do you dispose of your garbage? _____

6. Is the dump close to a ditch, stream, river, pond, lake or other water? YES NO

If YES, is this water used for drinking water for people or livestock? YES NO

If YES, how close to the dump to the water? _____

7. The dump is located: (in an open field, on a hillside, etc) _____

To the best of your knowledge:

8. How many years has the dump has been on the farm? _____

9. When was the last time things were placed in the dump? _____

10. What types of things have been placed in this farm dump? _____

11. Do you think there may be hazardous waste in the dump (chemicals, paint, pesticides, herbicides, etc.)? YES NO

12. Are there tires in the dump? YES NO
If yes, how many? _____

13. What is the approximate size of the dump (length, width, depth): _____

14. Are there any other issues you believe important? Please explain: _____

15. How much do you think it might cost to clean up this dump? _____

16. Are there special circumstances that affect your ability to clean up or provide 25 % of the cost to have this farm dump cleaned up? YES NO

If yes, please explain:

I understand that in order for my application to be considered, a representative of the county conservation district will visit my farm. To the best of my knowledge, the information in this application is correct.

(Signature)

(Date)

NOTE: If possible, include a photograph of the dump site.