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| CCC-1200<br>7/2003   | U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE<br>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION |  | 1. State & County Code                    |   |
|  |  |  | 2. a. Farm Number(s)                      |   |
|  |  |  | b. Tract Number(s)                        |   |
|  |  |  | 3. Contract Number                        |   |
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| THIS is an APPLICATION to participate in the:  |  |  |   |   |
| 7. PROGRAM<br>(Check One)  | a. Agricultural Management Assistance<br>Program (AMA)         |  | b. Conservation Security Program<br>(CSP) | c. Environmental Quality Incentives<br>Program (EQIP) |
| On the farm identified above the Applicant agrees to participate in the identified program if the offer is accepted by Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). The undersigned person shall hereafter be referred to as "the Applicant." The Applicant understands that starting a practice prior to CCC approval causes the practice to be ineligible for program financial assistance and the applicant will obtain the landowners signature on the contract to install structural practices. <b>By signing this application, the applicant acknowledges, receipt of the following forms: CCC-1200, the ccc-1200 appendix and any addenda thereto, which are incorporated by reference herein and made a part of the contract.</b>   |  |  |   |   |
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| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT<br>(signature of individual or authorized representative of entity or joint operation)  |  |  | DATE                                      |   |
| 7a. Limited Resource Producer and Beginning Farmer Certification   |  |  |   |   |
| I _____ certify that I am a: <input type="checkbox"/> <b>LIMITED RESOURCE PRODUCER(EQIP);</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>BEGINNING FARMER/RANCHER (EQIP, CSP),</b> as per the following guidelines:  |  |  |   |   |
| <b>Limited Resource Farmer or Rancher:</b><br>A Limited Resource Farmer or Rancher has the following characteristics:<br>(a) A person with direct or indirect gross farm sales not more than \$100,000 in each of the previous two years (to be increased starting in FY 2004 to adjust for inflation using Prices Paid By Farmers Index as compiled by NASS), <b>and</b><br>(b) Has a total household income at or below the national poverty level for a family of four, or less than 50 percent of county median household income (to be determined annually using Commerce Department Data), in each of the previous two years.<br>An entity or joint operation can be a Limited Resource Producer if all individual members qualify as a Limited Resource Producer. |  | <b>Beginning Farmer or Rancher:</b><br>(a) Has not operated a farm or ranch, or who has operated a farm or ranch for not more than 10 consecutive years. This requirement applies to all members of an entity, and<br>(b) Will materially and substantially participate in the operation of the farm or ranch.<br>(i) In the case of a contract with an individual, individually or with the immediate family, material and substantial participation requires that the individual provide substantial day-to-day labor and management of the farm or ranch, consistent with the practices in the county or State where the farm is located.<br>(ii) In the case of a contract made with an entity, all members must materially and substantially participate in the operation of the farm or ranch. Material and substantial participation requires that the members provide some amount of the management, or labor and management necessary for day-to-day activities, such that if the members did not provide these inputs, operation of the farm or ranch would be seriously impaired. |   |   |
| <b>NOTE:</b> All applicants that certify eligibility as a Limited Resource Farmer or Rancher or Beginner Farmer or Rancher will provide all records necessary to justify their claim as requested by a CCC representative. <b>It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide accurate data. False certifications are subject to criminal and civil fraud statutes.</b>   |  |  |   |   |
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| Signature  |  |  | Date                                      |   |

8. Contract Language

THIS CONTRACT is entered into between the Commodity Credit Corporation (referred to as "CCC") and the undersigned owners, operators, or tenants (referred to as "Owner", "Operator", & "Tenant"; respectively) on the farm identified above. The undersigned person or persons shall hereafter be referred to as "the Participant". The Participant agrees to participate in the program designated in Section 7 from the date the Contract is executed by CCC to the contract expiration date in Section 9. The Participant also agrees to implement the plan of operations developed and approved by the Participant and CCC. Additionally, the Participant and CCC agree to comply with the terms and conditions contained in this Contract, including the appendix to this Contract, entitled "Appendix to Form CCC-1200" for the applicable program (referred to as "Appendix"), and any other addenda thereto. The Participant also agrees to pay such applicable liquidated damages in an amount specified in the Appendix for the applicable program if the Participant cancels the agreement before the contract expires or the CCC terminates the contract.

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| 2. FARM & TRACT NUMBER(S), (continued): |  |
| FARM NUMBERS:                           |  |
| TRACT NUMBERS:                          |  |

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| 9b. AGREEMENT PERIOD |
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**Contract Start Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contract Expiration Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Contract can expire no earlier than one year after the last scheduled practice is certified completed to standards and specifications.

|                             | TOTAL | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|-----------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Total Obligations (FA):     |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Total TSP (TA):             |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Total Contract Obligations: |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |

| 10. CONTRACT PARTICIPANTS       |    |    |                    |                             |       |
|---------------------------------|----|----|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| NAME, ADDRESS, and PHONE NUMEBR | OW | OP | PAYMENT SHARES (%) | ID NUMBER: 1/<br>SIGNATURE: | DATE: |
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| 11. CCC USE ONLY - Payments according to the shares approved. | SIGNATURE OF CCC REPRESENTATIVE DATE: |
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| CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS (+/-) |              |      |          |
|------------------------------|--------------|------|----------|
| AMOUNT.                      | NRCS INITIAL | DATE | COMMENTS |
| A.                           |              |      |          |
| B.                           |              |      |          |
| C.                           |              |      |          |
| D.                           |              |      |          |
| E.                           |              |      |          |
| F.                           |              |      |          |
| G.                           |              |      |          |
| H.                           |              |      |          |
| I.                           |              |      |          |
| J.                           |              |      |          |
| K.                           |              |      |          |
| L.                           |              |      |          |
| M.                           |              |      |          |
| O.                           |              |      |          |
| P.                           |              |      |          |
| Q.                           |              |      |          |
| R.                           |              |      |          |
| S.                           |              |      |          |
| T.                           |              |      |          |
| U.                           |              |      |          |
| V.                           |              |      |          |

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