# Lower Thames Valley Soil Health Program



Postal Code

Province

## 2023 BMP Incentive Program: Claim Form

Farm Business Information and Mailing Address

Note: The contribution cheque will be mailed and written to the Farm Business or Sole Proprietor name provided in the Claim Form.

Business Legal Name or Soil Proprietor Name:

Mailing Address:

Street Address

City

## Total Invoiced Project Costs

Fill out the below table and identify the cost items associated with completing the project. This could include seed or contractor services invoices.

Project Invoice Item	Supplier or Service Provider	<b>Cost (\$)</b> (No HST)	Invoice Attached
Ex) Oat Seed	Ex) Joes Seed Company	\$1,500.00	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
	Total Invoiced Project Costs:	\$	

## **Total In-Kind Project Costs**

Please complete the below table to identify the total in-kind value provided for the project(s). The LTVCA reports this information to project funders to illustrate the value that farm businesses are contributing to the projects to access the incentive dollars.

<b>Total Value of Equipment &amp; Fuel Supplied</b> <i>Example: estimate \$10.00/acre @ 50 acres = \$500.00</i>	\$
Total Value of Labour Supplied Example: \$20.00/hr @ 20 hrs =\$400.00	\$
Total In-Kind Project Cost	\$

#### **Other Contributing Funds**

Did you receive funds from any other sources that contributed to offsetting the cost of the cover crop project? If so, please complete the following table:

Funding Source(s):	Amount	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	

## Cover Crop \$/acre Incentive Claim Calculation

Total 2023 Acres Planted:		
Program BMP Contribution:	\$15.00/acre	
Total Claimed Contribution:		

Important Notes:

- The LTVCA cannot provide funding in excess of the approved contribution that is identified in your Soil Health Program funding approval letter.
- Cover Crop plantings that are terminated through fall tillage are not eligible for funding. There is an exception for strip-tillage systems, where the majority of the cover crop is not disturbed and terminated prior to the non-growing season.

## 2023 Cover Crop Planting Details

• Please complete the following table to provide information about the cover crops that were planted at each field. The data will be used to estimate the amount of carbon sequestered as a result of the cover crop planting(s).

Application Field ID or Name (Reference field name from initial application)	Field GPS Coordinates, Address, or Property Assessment Roll # (If location changed)	Species Planted	Date Planted	Total Acres Planted	Seeding Rate: (Ibs/acre)	Termination Method	Termination Date	Soil Organic Matter% (OM%) (If available from recent soil sampling results)	Year of Referenced Soil Sample
Ex: HOME FARM	42.484, -81.918	Oats + Radish	2022-09-15	50	20	Frost termination + Spring tillage	2023-04-25	3.1%	2022-09-15

## **Additional Information**

Was fertilizer applied specifically for the cover crop? (Yes/No). This does not include fertilizer that is applied for future crops.	
If there is any additional information you would like to provide about the cover crop projects? (Panting methods, new approaches, etc.)	

## Declaration and Signature

- Invoice and proof of purchase documents are attached if applicable.
- You acknowledge that the LTVCA will reimburse the claim once staff have confirmed the project is complete and have received the required claim information. For cover crop plantings, this will not occur until January of 2024.
- You consent to have the project inspected/audited by LTVCA staff during normal business hours, with provided reasonable due notice, if requested by the LTVCA. This could include a site visit with an LTVCA staff member.
- You consent to allowing the LTVCA to collect, manage, and share the project cost, soil and crop management data associated with the project. The data collected by the LTVCA will be shared with public and government partners (municipal, provincial, and federal) to assist with tracking the industries progress towards addressing watershed environmental challenges, such as improving soil heath, sequestering carbon and reducing phosphorus loads to the Thames River. Furthermore, to evaluate the economic value of the program. The data will only be shared in an aggregate form publicly and no business or personal identifiers will be shared.
  - Example of an aggregate statement the LTVCA may use when discussing project deliverables: "Within the Lower Thames Valley Watershed 50 farmers planted 5000 acres of cover crops at an average cost of \$30.00/acre. It is estimated that these plantings reduced phosphorus loads to the Thames River by 5%".
- If you were approved for funding for 2023 cover crop plantings, you agree to provide the LTVCA with the proposed planting information and field locations by April 1<sup>st</sup>, of 2023. The LTVCA will send you a form which will be used to provide the required information no later than March of 2024.
- The signature of the authorized signing authority confirms that the claim is true and was completed in accordance with the terms of the Lower Thames Valley Cover Crop Program.

Signature:

Date: