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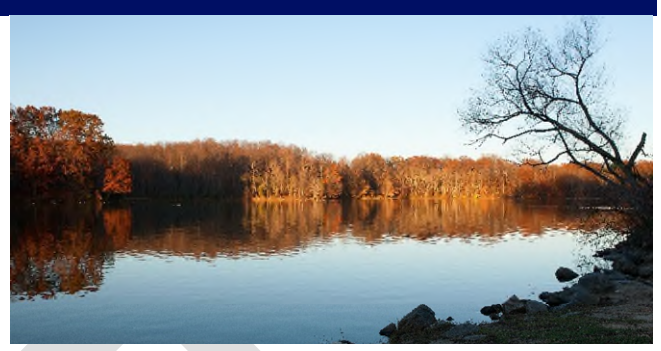

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GRASS & LEGUMES IN ROTATION

CROPS BMP #7

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Description:
The use of grasses and/or legumes for one or more years as part of a crop rotation.

AWQA Minimum Requirements:
Grasses and legumes should be used in the rotation with other crops to prevent erosion.

Recommendations:
The number of years of grasses and/or legumes needed in the crop rotation depends on the other crops grown, soil and landscape conditions, and the other best management practices.

The number of years in a rotation will be a determining factor in the selection of grasses and legumes.

Always consider the farm operation, livestock numbers, and future needs of hay or pasture crops.Consider herbicide carryover to avoid crop failures.

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Technical References

University Publications
- University of Kentucky College of Agriculture Extension publications

USDA/NRCS Publications
- Practice Code 328 Conservation Crop Rotation

Funding Assistance Options

State Cost Share
- See your local Conservation District to apply.

Kentucky Ag. Development Fund (KADB/KAFC)
- Select from available program options here.

NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)
- Select from available program options here.

Important Considerations

Water Quality Benefit (💧-💧💧💧💧): 💧

Wildlife Benefits
- Contact the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife's Habitat Improvement Program how to improve wildlife habitat with select BMPs (1-800-858-1549).