



Accelerating Conservation Adoption in the River Raisin Verification Checklist

1. Conservation Crop Rotation
 - a. Signed 328 – Conservation Crop Rotation Implementation Requirements (NRCS - Nov 2015)
2. Cover Crops
 - a. Signed Cover Crop Specifications with actual planting rates (2nd tab NRCS Cover Crop Calculator)
 - b. Cover crop calculator used to plan seeding rates (1st tab NRCS Cover Crop Calculator)
 - c. 2 initial dated planting pictures (one close up and one wide view)
 - d. 2 pre-burn dated down pictures (one close up and one wide view taken on or after 12/9/19)
 - e. Seed tags and invoices that verify seeding rates (total seed amount and PLS analysis). If no PLS analysis, provide documentation of post emergence measurement of cover crop plant population (count germinated seeds in square foot area and compare to seed/ft² rate specified on NRCS seeding calculator).
3. No-till
 - a. Design Criteria page (NRCS Residue Management Plan - July 1997) signed by technician stating that the practice has been implemented as documented and meets program requirements.
 - b. Field Residue Estimates (NRCS Line Transect Residue and Cover Estimates, May 1997)
 - c. Photo of each field showing residue coverage
4. Reduced Tillage
 - a. Design Criteria page (NRCS Residue Management Plan - July 1997) signed by technician stating that the practice has been implemented as documented and meets program requirements.
 - b. Field Residue Estimates (NRCS Line Transect Residue and Cover Estimates, May 1997)
 - c. Photo of each field showing residue coverage
5. Filter Strips
 - a. Filter Strip Job Sheet (NRCS Filter Strip Conservation Sheet – October 2006) signed by technician stating that the practice has been implemented as documented and meets program requirements.
 - b. Dated photos before and after the completed practice
 - c. Measurements of the installed area
 - d. Seed tags or invoices that verify seeding rates (amount and PLS analysis). If no PLS analysis, provide documentation of post emergence measurement of plant population
6. Nutrient Management
 - a. Completed Nutrient Management 590 Specification Sheet (NRCS spreadsheet). Provide signed statement by technician that the practice has been implemented as documented and meets program requirements.
7. Apply Phosphorus at draw down rates
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8. Apply all Phosphorus at planting time
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9. Band or inject all Phosphorus
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