

Section II – Nutrient, Pest, IWM, RMS, and Sodbuster Planning Pest Management Planning and Reporting Requirements

Pest Management Plans

Basic Pest Management Planning for 595 practice must meet FOTG standard requirements - Includes pesticide records, scouting notes, and leaching and runoff evaluations. FOTG standard 595 and National Agronomy Manual Amendment NE16 Water Management Subpart C “Water Quality” provide more information. These minimum requirements are the same for both cost share and non-cost share assistance, program and non-program assistance.

Minimum Pest Management Plan Contents

- 1) Statement of Purpose or Goals/Objectives
- 2) Conservation Plan Map
- 3) Soils
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 - b) NASIS Soil Description or equivalent
 - c) Leaching and Runoff Potential of each soil
- 4) Description of pest management
- 5) Pest Mgt Information (Description of records required)
 - a) Information on NE-CPA-39 “Integrated Crop Management Job Sheet Pest Management (595) or equivalent [pest being treated, pesticides applied, and evaluation of leaching and runoff potential of pesticides used on the site (both actual and planned)]. NE-CPA-29 “Restricted Use Pesticide Records” may be used as a substitute when restricted use pesticides are used.
 - b) Sketch or map of area for each pesticide treatment
 - c) Scouting notes or justification for post treatments
 - d) All record keeping documentation required for restricted use pesticides, label instructions, and other laws or regulations

Nebraska Conservation Planning Sheet No. 10 Pest Management, and NE-CPA-39 “Integrated Crop Management Job Sheet Pest Management (595)” (or equivalent) meets the requirements in items 1, 4, 5a, and 5b if a map is attached/sketched that identifies the area for each pest management activity.

Optional Information

The following is an example of optional information, which may be included in Pest Management plans. Other information not listed may also be included.

- 6) Pest Management
 - a) Weedsoft Printout (UNL weedsoft program)
 - b) Winpest evaluation of leaching and runoff potential (can be substituted for required evaluation)
 - c) Documented pest management records for previous years
 - d) Detailed GPS/GIS data for pest infestations, yields, crop response, pesticides applied, etc.
 - e) Scouting notes
 - f) Detailed ICM plan/goals for farm
 - g) Other pertinent info
- 7) References:
 - a) Individual Nebguides/Extension circulars for pest management for each crop (i.e. Herbicide guide, pest management guides)

- b) Various other references or publications as appropriate
- 8) Additional soils information
 - a) Detailed soil chemical and physical data
 - b) Soil moisture levels at time of application
 - c) Erosion computation (potential for pest loss)
 - d) Other pertinent soils info

Casefile Documentation Required for Pest Management

Cooperator documentation for Pest Management cost shared and required in a contract

NE-CPA-39 “Pest Management Jobsheet” (or equivalent info) is required for all fields in the contract for all years scheduled. NE-CPA-29 “Restricted Use Pesticide Records” may be used as a substitute when restricted use pesticides are used. Scouting notes or justification for post treatments.

Cooperator documentation for Pest Management not cost shared but required in a contract.

NE-CPA-39 “Pest Management Jobsheet” or equivalent information such as crop consultant reports is required for all fields in the contract for the first year scheduled. NE-CPA-29 “Restricted Use Pesticide Records” may be used as a substitute when restricted use pesticides are used. Scouting notes or justification for post treatments. After the first scheduled year, documentation is required for one field only. All other fields will be certified by the producer that they meet pest management requirements (certification required each year after the first scheduled year). NRCS may decide which field(s) should be documented in subsequent years.

Pest management can be spread out over several years and must be in place the last year of the contract. If agreed to by the Extension Service, documentation such as found in Attachment H “Example of non cost-share Pest Management Requirements/Documentation on in National Agronomy Manual, Amend. NE16 can be utilized for dryland cropping.

Cooperator documentation for Pest Management not cost shared and not required in a contract.

Cooperator is not required to provide any pest management documentation, but the producer’s own records should be adequate to ensure that pest management is applied. Adequate contact with the producer needs to be made to ensure that the producer is implementing the practice. Appropriate conservation assistance notes to verify this will be included in the casefile.

Reporting of Pest Management

PRMS has one performance measure Pest Management Systems Applied (595) in acres.

Pest Management Systems applied shall be reported in PRMS for all assistance given in which a producer follows the guidelines in FOTG standard 595.