

Category F– Biodiversity Initiatives - In co-operation with Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC)

The focus is on assisting producers in developing or improving on-farm wildlife habitats.

General Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant must have a completed Environmental Farm Plan (EFP);
- All applications will be reviewed and ranked according to project biodiversity level;
- The applicant must agree to maintain an approved project and allow for the monitoring of the project for a minimum of 10 years following the final inspection date.

Wetland Restoration

To assist producers to restore wetlands on farm that are congested with vegetation, were once drained or filled in by excavating ponds, or through the placement of small berms and water control structures.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Wetlands within a pasture will need to be fenced;
- DUC will complete biological and field assessment prior to funding approval;
- Producer to obtain necessary permit(s), prior to approval.

Eligible Items	Cost Share (%)		DUC Cap
	Prov	DUC	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All materials to restore the wetland • Seeding of spoil pile • Contracted construction costs - list of qualified contractors provided by DUC or PBRM Office 	25	25	\$2,500

Beaver Pond Management

Assisting producers to install cost effective beaver pond levelers that maintain the ponds at desired level but prevents flooding of roads and valuable land.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- DUC will develop beaver management plan prior to funding approval;
- Producer to obtain necessary permit(s), prior to approval.

Eligible Items	Cost Share (%)		DUC Cap
	Prov	DUC	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All materials required to construct a beaver leveler • Installation costs for the beaver leveler • Contracted construction costs - list of contractors qualified to install levelers provided by DUC or PBRM Office 	25	25	\$1,500

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