

The View...

From Huron County Farmers, Drainage and Conservation Experts

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Cover Crop Boost Program Back for Second Year

Grant program offers up to \$40 per acre for Bayfield-area Farmers

Bayfield-area landowners are once again eligible for an enhanced cost-share program offering \$30/acre up to 100 acres. This enhanced program can be combined with Huron Clean Water Project funding for a total of \$40/acre. **New this year — a multi-species cover crop is no longer required if planted after soybeans or corn.** Funding is limited and some restrictions apply. Application intake



Almost 600 acres of cover crops were supported through the Cover Crop Boost program in 2020.

deadlines will be June 30, July 31 and August 31.

Contact Hope Brock (hbrock@abca.ca) or Nathan Schoelier (nschoelier@abca.ca) at Ausable Bayfield Conservation (ABCA), 519-235-2610 for more

information about the program.

Need help deciding what to plant? Try the Cover Crop Decision Tool at <http://decision-tool.incovercrops.ca/>



Sixty-inch Corn and Cover Crops Trials

Last year, two local trials investigated whether cover crops could be established in 60-inch row corn. The first trial was a twin-row scenario planted by the two-pass, every-other-row method, offset by seven inches. A cover crop mix (dominantly annual rye grass) was drilled into the corn at the

V4 stage. The second trial was a single-row scenario that had a similar cover crop mix broadcast at the V6 stage. Both trials were successful in establishing a cover crop stand with yields ranging from 150-180 bu/acre.

For a full summary scan the QR code (at right) with

your phone, or visit: <https://www.abca.ca/forestry/cover-crops/>

Many thanks to the participating farmers who have continued to let us document these trials.



Huronview Demonstration Farm — Survey Results

Thank you to everyone that took the time to provide valuable feedback regarding Huronview Demonstration Farm and Demonstration Day. Please note that the communications about the Huronview Demonstration Farm are guided by a) what people would like to know, and b) the Huronview Steering Committee.

Survey results indicate that people would like to know more about the yields, the cost, and the environment. Furthermore, the public



would like to learn this from the Huron County Soil and Crop Improvement Association (HCSCIA) and the drainage contractors. As

such, this information will be provided over the next few issues of The View. Watch huronview.net for more details.



In our on-going efforts to deliver quality programs to agricultural producers, we are evaluating the 'Watershed Walk' program we delivered between 2014-2018.

We thank all those landowners for their participation in the 'Watershed Walk' program and hope you consider taking a few minutes to complete this survey on your experiences.

Visit link below or use your phone to scan the QR code to the right.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MB_WatershedWalk

