

Cheatgrass Challenge Team
Cooperative Annual Grass Project Application
2024

Grant funds requested: _____

Name of project: _____

Part I – Contact Information

1. Applicant: i.e., the person or organization taking the lead on the project

Name:	
Organization:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Telephone:	
Email:	

2. Fiscal contact: Individual and/or organization responsible for handling and dispersing award funds
(if different from above).

Name:	
Organization:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Telephone:	
Email:	

3. Other contacts: If needed, include any special contact information, or additional contacts.

Landowner:	
Project manager:	
Additional Contacts:	

Part II – Project Overview

1. Project location: (see item #14 for requested spatial data)

County:		
Ownership: <i>select multiple if applicable, for federal specify (e.g. BLM, USFS, etc.) List acres in each ownership.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Private _____ <input type="checkbox"/> State _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Federal _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal _____	For federal specify agency and acres:

2. Narrative: Where is your project located? How does it fit in with the larger landscape? What other actions are occurring that your project complements? Is your project associated with regional, state, and local plans? What partners are involved and how are they involved? Explain current conditions on the site, describe what the site is like before the proposed project.

3. Issue: How does your proposed project meet the intent and purpose for Cheatgrass Challenge? What factors have been identified and will be addressed? Click here to learn more: [cheatgrass_booklet_032020.pdf \(usda.gov\)](#)

4. Solution: How will the problem/conditions be addressed? What are the objectives, methods used, total acres treated, amount/type of project treatments installed, etc. If known, please specify what is being treated by ownership. The objectives should be measurable. How will the project benefit resistance and resilience to annual grass invasion? If applicable, please include any baseline monitoring information.

5. Project Timeline (Project funds awarded must be utilized 2 years + December. For example, funds awarded in July 2024 would expire in December 2026) OPTIONAL: Include provided treatment scheduling timeline (excel format).

Start date: mm/dd/yyyy

End Date: mm/dd/yyyy

What is the proposed project schedule? Elaborate below on each step of your project.

6. Permits

Are permits needed for the project?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> N/A
Will they be completed in time?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	
List what permits are needed:			

7. NEPA

Is NEPA needed for this project?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No
Has NEPA been completed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No

If yes, list document and point of contact below.

8. Maintenance: Who will maintain the project, what aspects need to be maintained in the future and for how long?

Who will maintain:	How the project be maintained:	Duration of maintenance:

9. Post-Implementation Monitoring: Provide additional information on how the project will be monitored to show effectiveness.

Who will monitor:	How will the project be monitored: <i>photo points, line point, etc.</i> What variables are you monitoring for: <i>i.e. invasive/noxious species establishing/returning, seeding establishment/survival, etc.)</i>	Duration of monitoring:

10. Year End Reports: Who is responsible for submitting yearly reports? (Due Dec. 31 each year of project)

Name: _____

Contact information: _____

11. Technical Assistance: Who will provide technical assistance to the project? Who will plan/design the project?

Technical Contacts	
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12. Project Partners: Show all anticipated and requested funding sources and indicate the dollar value for cash or in-kind (labor, equipment, fuel, materials, etc.) **Some funding sources require match – please include any financial or in-kind contributions from landowners! Use the box provided below to explain what has been committed (i.e. from landowners or other partners) and what is being requested (i.e. from Cheatgrass Challenge Team).**

13.

Funding Source: <i>partner and contribution</i>	Cash	In-Kind	Total	Match funding secured? <i>Yes/No</i>
Cheatgrass Challenge Amount Requested	\$	\$	\$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
NRCS EQIP (applied separately)	\$	\$	\$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
IDFG	\$	\$	\$	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
USFWS	\$	\$	\$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
BLM	\$	\$	\$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
USFS	\$	\$	\$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Landowners	\$	\$	\$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Other: _____	\$	\$	\$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Other: _____	\$	\$	\$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Total estimated funds: <i>add all amounts in far-right column</i>			\$	

Explain: What project component/s will each source fund?

14. Maps

Include the following maps with the application. **Shapefiles/Kmzs of each project variable should be included with this application.**

- 1) A map containing the project area (outlined clearly) with the most recent RAP annual grass layer.
- 2) A map containing the project area (outlined clearly) with land ownerships clearly depicted.
- 3) A map depicting fence lines/management units (pastures/allotments). This can be incorporated into the 2nd map if clear and legible. See note below.
- 4) Map showing where each fund source will be implemented and what practices/treatment will be used.
- 5) A map that specifies your project area vs treated area: please specify what acres you'll actually be treating within the project area.
- 6) ***For multi-year, multi-application projects:** A master plant map showing where you have previously worked and where you plan to work.

ALL Maps should be of a scope large enough to display a nearby community and/or major road (State Highway at a minimum), for spatial reference.

Additional data is welcome (IDFG migratory areas, GRSG habitat, etc.) if it helps provide more context about the project but should be included on additional maps in order to minimize "stacking" layers.

We, the undersigned, attest that to the best of our knowledge the information contained in this application is accurate and:

- The project funds awarded will be utilized Dec 1 two years after award (i.e. project awarded July 1 2024 would close December 1, 2026).
- We understand that the submitted application is a matter of public record.

Also, should funding for this project be awarded we understand that:

- We may not incur any project expenses until all designated signatories have signed the grant agreement.
- This funding may not be used to supplement or replace existing staff salary, or add additional staff (federal or otherwise)
- This funding may not be used to purchase durable "inventory" items (i.e. ATVs, GPS, sprayers, etc.)
- We will be required to provide proper accounting of project expenses.
- We will be required to provide the necessary and normal maintenance to sustain the value of the project once it is completed.

By their signatures, the landowner(s) attest that they are authorized to sign as landowner, and they agree to provide, upon prior request and at a mutually acceptable time, site access to the applicant or representatives of the Cheatgrass Challenge for a period up to two years following project completion to allow project work to be implemented, monitored, and maintained.

Applicant: _____ date: _____
 Landowner: _____ date: _____
 Landowner: _____ date: _____
 Landowner: _____ date: _____
 Landowner: _____ date: _____
 Landowner: _____ date: _____
 Landowner: _____ date: _____
 Landowner: _____ date: _____
 Supporting Agency Representative: _____ date: _____
 Supporting Agency Representative: _____ date: _____
 Supporting Agency Representative: _____ date: _____
 Fiscal agent: _____ date: _____

Project checklist:

- All maps and photos are attached to the application (required)
- Include a project shapefile for each project feature (required)
- Site drawings/diagrams/designs are included in the application submission (if applicable)
- Landowner, applicant, and fiscal agent have signed the grant application (required)

