



**PART C PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY**

- 1. Are the Person Eligibility requirements met as defined in 1-ECP, Part 2, Section 1?  YES  NO
- 2. Are the Land Eligibility requirements met as defined in 1-ECP, Part 2, Section 2?  YES  NO

**PART D PRODUCER ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

By signing the application for assistance, you are certifying that you cannot afford to complete the repairs without federal assistance and acknowledging that:

- It is your responsibility to ensure that an environmental review has been completed before any work is started. Activities which disturb the soil below the plow zone will result in the application not being eligible for ECP if the activity is done prior to an environmental review. Waivers may be available on a case-by-case basis if applicable.
- Starting a practice prior to filing an ECP application and/or COC approval is at your financial risk. Waivers may be available on a case-by-case basis if applicable.
- If you are a limited resource producer, beginning farmer, or socially disadvantaged (not including gender), you may qualify for a 90 percent cost share rate rather than the 75 percent rate. To determine if you are a limited resource producer, socially disadvantaged, or beginning farmer (1) go to [www.lrftool.sc.egov.usda.gov](http://www.lrftool.sc.egov.usda.gov) and complete the questions, (2) complete form CCC-860, and (3) provide the information to the local FSA office. CCC-860 payment eligibility will be based on the year of the disaster or the year a new participant is added to an application.
- Cost share cannot be earned on land on which you have or will receive funding from any other Federal cost share program for the same or similar expenses.
- The original application for cost share is an estimate of the potential cost share that may be earned.
- Total cost share paid cannot exceed 50 percent of the value of the land as determined by FSA.
- If an advance payment is accepted for any ECP practice, you must provide verification that the advance payment has been expended within the applicable time allowed by policy, or the advance payment must be refunded, less any cost share earned for partial performance completed.
- **You must return this completed and signed form to your County FSA Office for your request to be considered.**

**PART E PRODUCER CERTIFICATION**

1. Signature (By)	2. Title/Relationship of Representative	3. Date (MM-DD-YYYY)

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