



# SLWD

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## Riparian Fencing – Proposed Project

Landowner Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description of Project Site: Qtr: \_\_\_\_\_ Sec: \_\_\_\_\_ Twp: \_\_\_\_\_ Rge: \_\_\_\_\_

Municipality: \_\_\_\_\_ Sub-District: \_\_\_\_\_

Fencing Length: \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Landowner In-Kind (machinery cost and labour): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Check off applicable project below:

- Exclusion Fencing for Riparian Area(s)
- Exclusion Fencing for Wetlands
- Other Grazing Methods/Upland Area

### Type of Fencing:

- Barbed Wire
- High Tensile Wire
- Electric
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Type of Animals: \_\_\_\_\_

Total No. of Animals: \_\_\_\_\_

### Project Description:


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### Objective:

- Protect and enhance surface water quality and riparian areas from erosion and nutrient loading;
- Increase riparian area health and limiting livestock access to surface water;
- Encourage producers to install **NEW** riparian fencing on their land; and
- **Does not** assist in the replacement of existing fencing.

**N**  

**Project Sketch: (attach additional map if required)**

Pictures to be sent  
to SLWD 

Before Picture(s)	During Construction Picture(s)	Project Completion Pictures

**Project Funding/Cost – Responsibilities:**

Landowner

1. Agree to provide paid invoice(s) for fencing material purchased.
2. Shall not sell, trade, or exchange fencing material.
3. **Riparian fencing must be installed at a minimum distance of 30 feet from the edge of a waterway.**
4. The cost of labor and any equipment rental or use is the responsibility of the landowner and can be counted as in-kind.
5. **Provide proof of project completion (i.e. see above).**
6. **Have a Rotational Grazing Plan** (i.e. staff can assist with creating one in the office).
7. Riparian area fenced off will be considered an exclusion zone or a limited graze zone. Access will be restricted to drier summer periods or late fall when damage to the riparian area is limited or minimized.
8. Livestock allowed to flash graze in the fenced off riparian area during drier season to prevent overgrowth and fire hazard.
9. Allow access for inspection and evaluation by SLWD staff and the Board at any reasonable time.
10. Will be reimbursed by the SLWD once the application is approved, and the project is complete and verified.
11. Will prepare proper seedbed for seeding rotational grazing area down as soon as practicable.
12. Ensure proper and sufficient annual or permanent forage establishment and complete any maintenance required.
13. Send project pictures, invoices, and other documentation to [manager@slwd.ca](mailto:manager@slwd.ca)
14. Willing to use this application as the landowner's agreement upon approval of project.
15. Be willing to complete Environmental Farm Plan (EFP).

Watershed District (WD)

1. Will fund (re-imburse) 50% of cost to purchase fencing materials (i.e. fence post & wire) up to a maximum of \$10,000.00 based on the following fence types: barbed wire, high tensile wire, or electric; other options may be possible – discretion based on the Board and may be subject to change based on available funding.
2. Cover the cost for fencing material that is aligned with a rotational grazing plan only.
3. Does not support Texas gates, and ongoing maintenance.
4. Riparian Fencing project is a rebate program and cost-share will be reimbursed to the landowner after approval and project completion and verification.
5. The SLWD Board reserves the right to alter the funding criteria and determine project priority.
6. Ensure all required permits and agreements are in place prior to project start.
7. The District is not responsible for any alterations or damage caused by beaver activity.

The Landowner Shall:

- **Allow consent of entry onto property for purposes of the project;**
- Provide access for inspection, evaluation, or further construction of the project by the WD at any reasonable or future time;
- Not alter, change, remove or modify the project without written consent of the District;
- Ensure agricultural use and practices do not alter or affect the integrity of the project;
- Allow the District to place signage at the project site; signage removal must be approved by the District prior to removal;
- Indemnify and save harmless the District from any and all actions, claims, suits, damages, injuries, or other loss no matter howsoever arising as a result of the construction, operation, or maintenance of the project, and;
- Grant the Watershed District the right to use any information related to this project for educational or promotional purposes.

The Watershed District Shall:

- Reserve the right to reasonable access to project areas for tours, educational purposes or to inspect the condition of the project site at any time following completion of the project.

**I hereby declare that I have read the conditions of this agreement, and that I agree to abide by the terms and responsibilities listed above. I further agree to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Watershed District Board and staff in completing and maintaining the project as outlined.**

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Landowner Signature

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Date