

## **Applicants:**

## What You Need to Know



- Step 1: Do you have a farm number? If yes, check with your local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office to update any required documents. If no, obtain a farm number: to do so make a copy of your property deed and take to the Farm Service Agency. Farm Service Agency will need some general information including your address, phone number and social security number. If you are leasing the property you will need to provide Farm Service Agency a copy of the lease. In addition, while at the FSA office you will need to sign an AD-1026 and a CCC-941 to certify your Adjusted Gross Income.
- Step 2: Obtain an aerial photograph of your property from Farm Service Agency along with the Farm and Tract number.
- Step 3: Go you to your local County's Soil and Water Conservation District Office to request and complete a district cooperator form and an application for the Feral Swine Control Program. You will receive a copy of the Feral Swine Job Sheets AFI-5A, AFI-5B and AFI-5C and a copy of Tech Note 2. The Job Sheets and Tech Note outline exactly how to participate in the program and which types of traps are eligible for rebate (also known as Financial/Conservation Incentive or Cost-Share) From these choices you will need to decide which trap you want to purchase.
- Step 4: Complete Landowner Technical Training Educational Modules 1-3 and test at https://alabamasoilandwater.gov/fscp/; then click on Tech Training tab.
- Step 5: Review Tech Note 2, Job Sheets AFI-5A, AFI-5B and AFI-5C at <a href="https://alabamasoilandwater.gov/fscp/">https://alabamasoilandwater.gov/fscp/</a> then click on Rebate Info tab.
- Step 6: The Soil and Water Conservation District Feral Swine Coordinator will review your application, coordinate with NRCS to determine program eligibility, make a field visit to your property, provide property information to NRCS in order to complete culture resources review as necessary.
- Step 7: You will now wait on your approval/disapproval letter from your local Soil and Water Conservation District.
- Step 8: If approved inform the Feral Swine Coordinator which trapping system, camera, and accessories you have selected along with a written cost estimate based off the Job Sheets AFI-5A, AFI-5B or AFI-5C. Be careful that you don't select something that is not eligible for reimbursement. When in doubt ask your local Feral Swine Coordinator. For a self-assembled trap, you can provide a written cost estimate in the format of your choosing.
- Step 9: Meet with Feral Swine Coordinator for a pre-construction conference to answer any questions or clarify any feral swine program rules/standards/specifications.
- Step 10: Obtain Bait License from Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The website site is <a href="https://www.outdooralabama.com/">https://www.outdooralabama.com/</a> then click on License tab.
- Step 11: Purchase trap. Install trapping system within twelve months.
- Step 12: Inform Feral Swine Coordinator trapping system has been installed and ready for field verification. After verification, submit all your receipts and documentation to your local Soil and Water Conservation District.
- Step 13: The District Feral Swine Coordinator will field verify that the trapping system installed meets the standard and specifications of Job Sheet AFI-5A, AFI-5B or AFI-5C. If system meets specification, then the Coordinator will certify project is eligible for payment.
- Step 14: Retain ownership, maintain and operate systems as needed for a period of three years.

Contact your local County's SWCD or Feral Swine Coordinator to get more information! Contact information can be found at https://alabamasoilandwater.gov/fscp/ then click on Participating Districts.