

Truterra® USDA supported programs

A GUIDE TO CERTIFICATION AND VERIFICATION

Truterra® USDA-supported programs require additional documentation for participating farmers and field(s). Farmer certification and field verification are important and required steps for USDA-specific programs which ensure that a farmer or field is eligible to receive incentives for program participation.

What is farmer certification?	What is practice verification?	
Certification ensures that a farmer is eligible	Verification proves the practice was	
for an incentive payment.	implemented in the enrolled field(s) and	
 Requires the following documentation: 	followed the required practice standard(s).	
 Program year subsidiary print* 	Requires the following documentation:	
showing they have filed forms AD 2047,	 Photos showing the practice in the 	
AD 1026 and CCC-902, and certifying	field(s)	
that they are not a foreign person or	 If a photo is not attainable, receipts for 	
entity.	purchase of cover crop seed	
 Certified field map*(s) including farm, 	o Reporting dates/rates/other	
tract, and field ID number(s)	management information for the	
	implemented practice	

*The subsidiary print and certified field maps are documents that farmers must obtain from their local Farm Service Agency. Crop year listed on the subsidiary print must match the crop year associated with the program the field is enrolled in. (Example: the 2025 Truterra® financial assistance – a USDA support program requires a 2025 subsidiary print). Field maps from a historical year are acceptable.

Which programs require certification & verification?			
	Certification Required?	Verification Required?	
Truterra financial assistance – a USDA supported program	Yes	Yes	
Truterra early adopter – a USDA supported program	Yes	No	

WHO COMPLETES FARMER CERTIFICATION AND FIELD VERIFICATION?

Farmer certification and field verification are both completed via DocuSign, an electronic document management program.

For the early adopter program, Truterra will email the farmer certification DocuSign directly to the enrolled farmers, regardless of whether they are working with Truterra directly or with a Truterra network provider.

For the financial assistance program, Truterra offers our network providers options when it comes to completing these USDA-supported program tasks. Some network providers may opt-in to completing the work while others may opt-out. Network providers which opt-in will receive the certification and verification documents via email and complete them in partnership with each enrolled farmer connected to their organization. For opt-out or Truterra-managed network providers, Truterra will email the farmer certification and field verification documents to a Truterra field verification specialist for completion.

FARMER CERTIFICATION AND FIELD VERIFICATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Where can I find the farmer's subsidiary print?

Farmers may contact their local FSA office to obtain a copy of their subsidiary print. If they do not have one on file, farmers must file the necessary documents with the FSA office to obtain a subsidiary print if they wish to participate in any Truterra USDA-supported programs.

What if the entity listed on my FSA documents doesn't match the enrolled farmer name in Truterra MyPortal?

The enrolled farmer name must match the name listed on the FSA documents provided for each enrolled field boundary. If the enrolled farmer name needs to be updated in MyPortal, please reach out to your Truterra account manager, field data specialist, or support@truterraag.com.

The cover crop didn't establish well so I can't provide a good picture. Are there alternative options for verification?

In the event that cover crops were planted according to the state-specific CPS 340 standard and did not establish well, farmers may provide a receipt as proof of purchase for the cover crop seed. Receipts should include product description and total pounds purchased or per acre rate applied. If farmers are using bin-run seed, testing results are acceptable and should include: 1) percent purity, 2) percent germination, 3) percent weed seed and 4) a listing of any noxious or invasive weeds contained within the sample.

The local NRCS office approved a seed rate/date/establishment or termination method not aligned with the published practice standard. Can farmers still be paid in the financial assistance program?

If a farmer has received official guidance from their local NRCS office that deviates from the published state standard, please provide this documentation to your Truterra account manager or support@truterraag.com. Documentation should include a signature from the NRCS representative who approved the adjusted rate/date/method.

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