



Validation of Compliance Request

This is a request form to be completed by a landowner or authorized agent of a landowner for a Validation of Compliance. A validation of compliance is a formal statement from a Soil and Water Conservation District documenting that at the time of the inspection, a parcel or parcels is/are in compliance with the buffer requirements pursuant to Minn. Stat. §103F.48.

This form is only a validation of compliance notification and not a corrective action/violation notice.

Landowner/Authorized Agent Information:

Name:

Mailing Address:

Email:

Phone Number:

Cell Number:

County: Watonwan County, MN

Buffer/Property Information:

Attach additional pages as needed if multiple parcels are identified in the request or additional space is needed

Parcel(s)	Buffer width(s)Required	Practice(s) Installed	Any additional Information

Description of Request:

Buffer and/or Alternative Practices

Identify the water body:

Public ditch, public water, or other waters

Supporting information:

Explanation of the buffer or evidence of benefit provided by alternative practices

Attachments

Maps, Photos, CRP Contracts, Receipts, CRP Contracts, etc.

Landowner/ Authorized Agent Statement

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this form is true and correct. Upon reasonable notice, I authorize the right to enter the property for an on-site evaluation by official representative of the Soil and Water Conservation District for the purpose of inspecting the parcels listed and evaluating whether a Validation of Compliance may be issued.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Validation of Compliance Notice

****For SWCD Representative to Complete****

Type of review: On-site field inspection Desk top review

Date of Inspection: _____

Status of Compliance: Compliant Further action needed (See comments or attachments)

Exemption Other

Fill out table if multiple parcels are identified in the request:

Parcel(s)	Acres of Buffer Required	Acres of Buffer Installed	Status of Compliance

IF Alternative Practices are used attach Map(s) of the parcel(s) and identify location/type of practices used.

Remarks/General Comments (explain any significant notes on the buffer area or alternative practices):

IF Alternative Practices are used attach Map(s) of the parcel(s) and identify location/type of practices used.

SWCD Representative

I certify that the above determination(s) are correct and were conducted in accordance with Minn. Stat. §103F.48.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Appeal of this Determination: Pursuant to MN Stat §103F.48, Subd. 9. an appeal of this determination can be commenced by mailing a written request for appeal, including any supporting evidence, within 30 days of receipt of written or electronic notice of the validation notice to the following:

Executive Director

Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources

520 Lafayette Road North

St. Paul, MN 55155

CC List: BWSR Board Conservationist and Buffers Coordinator, Local Water Management Authority, Area Hydrologist

NOTES:

1. This validation is good as long as all practices identified/documentated continue to be in place and substantially in the condition identified at the time of issuance.
2. This document should be issued for a site(s) which the SWCD validates as compliant. If a site is found to be non-compliant the SWCD should initially communicate with the landowner(s) to informally resolve the non-compliant status. If it is determined after a reasonable amount of time that progress is not being made towards compliance the SWCD may notify the entity with jurisdiction and begin following the appropriate enforcement procedures. The objective would be to work towards compliance before any compliance actions are taken.