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| **Appendix 4 – Cover Crops Survey Results, Feb. 25, 2014** |
| 1. How many acres do you farm?0-10 acres: 1 10-50 acres: 3 50-100 acres: 0 100+ acres: 8 |
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| 2. What crops do you produce? You may circle more than one answer.livestock: 3 row crops: 8 vegetable crops: 4 tree fruit: 2 ornamental/specialty: 1 |
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| 3. Have you used cover crops in the last three years?yes: 11 no: 1 |
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| 4. If you have used cover crops in the last three years, how many acres did you plant?0-10 acres: 2 11-30 acres: 2 31-50 acres: 5 51+ acres: 2The mode was 50 acres. |
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| 5. What type of cover crop(s) did you plant? You may pick more than one answer.legumes: 4 grasses: 5 brassicas: 6 other: 2 mixtures or “cocktails”: 2 |
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| 6. Why did you plant the cover crops? You may circle more than one answer.erosion control: 3 water management: 5 soil improvement: 9 nitrogen management: 6to manage disease or insect issues: 4 wildlife habitat: 3 cost-share program: 5 |
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| 7. What is your single biggest concern about cover crops?monetary cost: 3 time cost: 3 difficulty in choosing cover crop: 2 difficulty managing cover crop: 1 potential negative impact on cash crop: 3  |
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| 8. Before this workshop, how aware were you of the benefits of cover crops with regard to soil health?very not aware: 0 somewhat not aware: 1 neutral: 1 somewhat aware: 4 very aware: 6 |
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| 9. What topics would you like to hear more about? You may choose more than one answer.cover crops and water dynamics: 3cover crops and soil physical properties: 5cover crops and soil fertility: 8cover crops and soil organisms: 6 |
| 10. Before this workshop, were you aware that N could be lost from farm fields as part of greenhouse gas emissions?yes: 7 no: 4 |
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| 11. Are you interested in learning more about the influence of cover crops on greenhouse gas emissions?yes: 10 no: 1 |