



# Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts Committee Resolutions

Resolution No.: R-21-5

## Resolution Subject/Title: Cover Crop Species Selection

Sponsoring District: Latah

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### Committee to Review Resolution:

Resolutions Subcommittee Determination:  Accepted  Rejected

Standing Committee Determination:  Pass  Do Not Pass  No Recommendation

IASCD Action:  Passed  Failed  Tabled

- 1 **WHEREAS**, commercial agriculture in the State of Idaho is consistently searching for sustainable
- 2 practices to minimize the impact of undesirable non-native plant species within, and adjacent to,
- 3 active production fields; and
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- 5 **WHEREAS**, the introduction and increasing presence of undesirable plant species consumes
- 6 increasing efforts to control these species throughout the State of Idaho; and
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- 8 **WHEREAS**, there is an increasing effort to create profitable cover crop options in the State of
- 9 Idaho to protect and improve soil health; and
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- 11 **WHEREAS**, cover crop species selection is critical to the success of cover crop rotations within
- 12 commercial agriculture and cover crop species selection may vary from region to region across the
- 13 country and within the State of Idaho; and
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- 15 **WHEREAS**, several species recommended for cover crop seed mixes by local, state and federal
- 16 conservation partners within the State of Idaho may lead to the increasing presence of undesirable
- 17 non-native plant species and become a management concern for commercial agriculture
- 18 throughout the State of Idaho; and
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- 20 **WHEREAS**, the establishment of these undesirable species creates long-term management issues
- 21 for commercial agriculture throughout the State of Idaho;
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- 23 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts
- 24 coordinate an advisory committee of local, state, and federal conservation partner agencies to
- 25 identify and distribute a list of problematic species that should not be incorporated into cover crop
- 26 seed mixes for each of the unique agricultural regions within the State of Idaho.
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