



Farmer-to-Farmer Peer Networks---Facilitator’s Application

For the adoption of soil health management systems to become widespread and sustained, local technical assistance and mentorship is needed to guide producers over the multiple hurdles that come with implementing no-till/strip till, cover crops, and adaptive nutrient management successfully and profitably. ISAP is seeking applications for facilitators to establish and support peer networks across Illinois, to bring farmers together to troubleshoot issues and learn from one another, while building a local network they can rely on for years to come. The Network Facilitators’ main responsibilities will be to convene in-person meetings four times a year, encourage ongoing informal communications within the network, provide guidance, and bring in regional experts as needed. Ideally, these networks would include cooperators from the S.T.A.R. and Precision Conservation Management programs. Estimated hours: 20 hours/month, year-round. Please return your completed application to Megan Baskerville: m.baskerville@tnc.org or 240 SW Jefferson Ave, Suite 301 Peoria, IL 61602.

Name:

Address:

Phone, Email:

What qualifies you to lead a farmer/peer network on soil health management systems?

Do you have experience leading educational groups?

What do you see as the biggest barrier currently to the adoption of soil health management systems, and how could a peer network overcome it?

Please provide up to 2 references that could speak to your agronomic knowledge and/or ability to facilitate a farmer-to-farmer network:

Name:

Phone:

Relationship:

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Please circle/indicate the county or counties where you would like to establish networks. Also, briefly describe your local knowledge and connections in those areas:



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