

Heartland Co-op is again offering late summer and early fall cover crop interseeding applications with the Hagie-Montag Fortifier Cover Crop Seeder

The cover crop seeding partnership program is back again in 2025 to encourage and facilitate the use of cover crops in farm fields across Central lowa.

The Right Program for Your Farm

By enrolling in the program, you get an expert package solution for soil conservation. A Heartland Co-op Conservation Agronomist can help every step of the way, providing guidance on your farm, help manage seeding programs, and generally act as a partner to make land conservation effective and *EASY*.

Enrolling is Easy!

Contact a Heartland Co-op agronomist or go to **CoverCropPartnership.com** to enroll. Heartland will take care of all the details and their Conservation Agronomists can even help you sign up for public and private cover crop cost-share programs!

"Hands down the biggest benefit of the Hagie Cover Crop Seeder is getting a row-by-row guaranteed application of cover crops compared to a more variable aerial application."



— Clint Luellen, Dallas & Boone County Farmer

The Interseeding Advantage

In traditional cover crop seeding, the seeds are often applied after harvest when the available time to take root is limited by the end of the growing season. With the interseeding technique, seeding occurs in late summer after grain fill is finished in the cash crops. This gives the cover crops a head start on growing.

Hagie STS 12 sprayer equipped with Montag CC seeder



Helping farmers produce and market profitably

The Partnership

The Central Iowa Cover Crop partnership includes Heartland Co-op, Polk County Public Works, the Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship, Des Moines Water Works, and the City of Des Moines.











Program Details



APPLICATION COST \$14/acre

(\$12/acre for early sign up!)*

Special rates for seed corn growers, cattle producers and graziers. Call for rates.

Unique Interseeding Capability

The Hagie-Montag Interseeder's flexible seed tubes allow the seeder to plant over fields while crops are still growing. By seeding in late summer instead of after harvest, your cover crops can be established well *before* fall harvest.



Cost-share program sign-up assistance is available. Talk to a Heartland Co-op Conservation Agronomist for eligibility requirements.



- Wider seeding window
- Improved seed-to-soil contact
- Better distribution of seed
- Complies with NRCS / IDALS cost share guidelines
 - Ideal for fields that are inaccessible to airplanes (i.e. wind turbines, power lines)

COVER CROP BENEFITS

- Improved granular soil structure
- Increased infiltration and water holding capacity
 - Reduced soil erosion
 - A "living" slow-release fertilizer
 - Long-term increase in soil organic matter

SIGN UP IS NOW OPEN FOR 2025

*\$12/acre
Early Bird
sign up before
Aug 1st

\$14/acre
In-season
application

\$8/acre
Post-harvest
application

Ruth McCabe

CALL
for special
rates for seed
corn growers,
cattle producers,
and graziers.

ENROLL NOW



To sign up, contact a Cover Crop specialist at Heartland Co-op:

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