

BMP 24 – NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANNING

OBJECTIVES

- To improve production efficiency;
- To reduce air, water and soil pollution; and,
- To minimize social issues such as odour nuisance.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Please refer to description below.

Eligible Items	Cost Share (%)		Federal Maximum	
	Provincial	Federal	Item Cap	Activity Cap
New Plan Project = \$1500 or less: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultative fees • Planning and decision support tools (maps, aerial photos, sampling) 	100 <small>(To a maximum of \$1500) *</small>	N/A		N/A
New Plan Eligible costs in excess of \$1500 will be funded at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultative fees • Planning and decision support tools (maps, aerial photos, sampling) 	N/A	50		\$4 K
Renewal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultative fees • Planning and decision support tools (maps, aerial photos, sampling) 	75 <small>(To a maximum of \$750) *</small>	N/A		N/A

* The NMP provincial cost share will not be included in the provincial cap.

Certified Nutrient Management Planner (List of qualified planners is available from PBRM Office)

Nutrient management planners must meet the following criteria:

- Must have passed the Atlantic Agriculture Coordinating Council (AACC) Nutrient Management Course Exam delivered by the Nova Scotia Agriculture College (NSAC);
- Must be a member in good standing with the Nova Scotia Institute of Agrologists (NSIA);
- Must be a Certified Nutrient Management Planner (CNMP).

The Nutrient Management Plan must include:

- Producer identification and operation description;
- At least three cropping years;
 - Three year manure plan (timing & amount of application)
 - Three year fertilizer plan (timing & amount of application)
 - Three year lime program template
- Manure and/or commercial fertilizer recommendations based on previous two year’s history of manure and crops to be grown;
- Recommendations to be based on current soil analysis and manure analysis (not older than one year);
- Farm land base: farm maps (aerial and line); field names, sizes and soil types;
- Nutrient balance sheets;
- Phosphorous level description and spreadsheet;
- Environmental concerns (including information on surface water bodies and wells);
- Manure AUE/ha and alternative manure plan (if needed).

Nutrient management information required for claiming:

- Completed Nutrient Management Plan summary template – available to qualified planners from the PBRM Office;
- Three year lime program template.