

# FARM STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

## Program Deadline

**Pre-Approval** Application must be submitted by **June 30, 2017**.

**Rebate** Applications must be completed and submitted by **January 31, 2018**

## Agriculture Waste Management

**Manage agricultural waste through storage improvements and recycling.**

Plastic Grain Bag Roller—50% to a max of \$5,000

Used Oil Storage—50% to a max of \$2,000

## \*Environmental Solutions

**Identify and implement projects with environmental and public benefit that do not fit into a current BMP.**

20% - 50% to a max of \$50,000

## Irrigation Management

**Improve water use efficiency, protect water quality, and improve energy efficiency.**

Irrigation Management Planning—50% to a max of \$2,000

\*Irrigation Equipment Modification—30% to a max of \$50,000

\*Variable Rate Irrigation Technology—30% to a max of \$15,000

Irrigation Efficiency—40% to a max of \$25,000

## Land Management

**Protect natural waterways, riparian ecosystems, and high risk erodible and saline soils.**

\*Natural Waterway Erosion Control—75% to a max of \$30,000

\*Creek and Stream Crossings—50% to a max of \$20,000

Protecting High Risk Erodible and Saline Soils—50% to a max of \$10,000

\*Native Plant Establishment—75% to a max of \$10,000

Shelter Belt Establishment—Flat rate of \$1200 per mile to a max of \$5,000

Weather Data Collection and Monitoring—50% to a max of \$1,000

\*Water Flow and Erosion Control—50% to a max of \$20,000

Multi-Producer Erosion Control—Contact your nearest Agri-Environmental Group Plan

## Livestock Management

**Reduce the risk of ground and surface water contamination, and damage to riparian areas and waterways.**

\*Relocation of Livestock Confinements Facilities—60% to a max of \$50,000

Fencing to Protect Surface Water—50% to a max of \$10,000

\*Farmyard Runoff Control—50% to a max of \$30,000

\*Riparian Area Grazing Management—50% to a max of \$10,000

\*Native Rangeland Grazing Management—50% to a max of \$10,000

\*Carcass Disposal Planning—75% to a max of \$30,000

## Manure Management

**Reduce environmental risks (e.g. ground/surface water contamination, nutrient loss and odour) associated with manure storage and application.**

\*Manure Storage Enhancements—30% to a max of \$50,000

Manure Application Equipment and Technologies—30% to a max of \$30,000

## Precision Farming

**Reduce nutrient loss and potential risks to ground and surface water quality, and to improve energy efficiency.**

Variable Fertilizer Equipment—30% to a max of \$5,000

Variable Rate Mapping—30% to a max of \$2,000

\*- BMP's requires pre-approval

Note: Funding is subject to change without notice please check [www.saskatchewan.ca](http://www.saskatchewan.ca) or call 1-877-874-5365 for latest values.

**A Beneficial Management Practices (BMP) is defined as any agricultural management practice which:**

- ◆ Ensures the long-term health and sustainability of land-related resources used for agricultural production;
- ◆ Positively impacts the long-term economic and environmental viability of agricultural production; and
- ◆ Minimizes negative impacts and risk to the environment.

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## Contact Us Today

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## Why Decommission an Abandoned Well

1.They are a direct path from surface to an aquifer. Risk of contamination is increased. Once contaminated limits safe water sources.

2.Remediation of contaminated aquifers is costly and time consuming and is never completely the same.

3.Large diameter wells pose a safety risk to people, animals and equipment.

4.Property values and land sales can be impacted by abandoned wells or improperly decommissioned wells.

5.Contaminated wells can cause serious health risk which can lead to illness or death.

6. Abandon wells risk cross contamination. Allowing nearby wells in the same aquifer to become contaminated.

7. Abandon artesian well have the potential of contaminate surface water. If the casing fails, pressure from artesian well forces water to the surface outside the casing.

### DID YOU KNOW ...

Wells and well pits can contain hazardous gases which may cause serious respiratory problems or even death. Only persons with confined space training should work in wells.

# FARM & RANCH WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

## PROGRAM DEADLINE AUG 2017

## APPLY SOON!!

The **Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program** supports secure water supplies in Saskatchewan. Funds are available for projects designed to expand irrigated acres, grow the livestock industry, encourage rural economic activity, and mitigate the impact of drought.

This program is available to agriculture producers, Rural Municipalities and First Nations Bands. **Cost-shared funding** is available for the following eligible projects:

- ◆ Relocation of existing livestock water systems for environmental purposes
- ◆ Protecting existing wellheads
- ◆ Decommissioning wells (funded at 90% to a maximum rebate of \$10,000)
- ◆ Small/large diameter wells
- ◆ Shallow buried pipelines
- ◆ Deep buried pipelines
- ◆ Connections to Rural Water Utilities
- ◆ Dugouts and dugout expansions of at least one-third size increase

**Funding** for on the farm is 50% of eligible costs to a maximum rebate of \$60,000 over life of program, except costs related to well decommissioning.

**DEADLINE:** Applications must be received or postmarked on or before AUGUST 1, 2017

Contact the Moose Jaw River Watershed Stewards Inc. today for assistance with an application for the Farm Stewardship Program or the Farm & Ranch Water Infrastructure Program.

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