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Waushara County Board Approves Water Quality Program

Background

In December 2011 the Waushara County board approved a proposal for a Water Quality Program (WQP). The WQP is a \$25,000 per year cost sharing program that will have a three trial period beginning in January 2012. The WQP is for landowners who install Best Management Practices (BMP) that will help improve water quality. Administered by the Land Conservation & Zoning office, this program provides local cost sharing dollars to landowners throughout the county for pollution abatement and water quality protection.

Program Benefits

- Provides cost-sharing up to 70% for eligible projects.
- Provides technical assistance in planning, design and supervision of project installation.
- Leverages additional funding from other grant sources.

Eligible Best Management Practices

- Barnyard Runoff Control Systems
- Manure storage
- Diversions
- Waterways
- Nutrient Management
- Shoreline and Streambank Protection
- Shoreland habitat
- Vegetative Buffers
- Wetland Restoration
- Rain Gardens
- Wind Erosion practices
- Well abandonment
- Rotational grazing
- Grade stabilization

***This list is not inclusive, but represents a list of possible practices that may be eligible for cost sharing.** For more information on the Waushara County Water Quality Program or other cost share programs the department administers contact: Ed Hernandez at 920.787.0443