# **Best Management Practices (BMP) Survey**

# **General background information**

1. Did you receive any county, state, federal or other grant funds to install the practice (circle one)?

Yes No

If you answered yes please list funding source and program.

- 2. What county in Virginia was the practice installed?
- 3. In what river basin was the BMP installed?
- 4. List the hydrologic unit designation where the practice was installed?
- 5. List the date of installation.

# BMP specific questions answer the questions applicable to any conservation practices that you have implemented without receiving any financial assistance from any source(s).

# Exclusion fencing (WP-2, WP-2T, CRWP-2)

- 6. Length of stream bank protected (in feet)?
- 7. Average width (in feet) of buffer area between stream and fence.
- 8. Did you plant trees or grasses in the buffer area? If yes what was planted?
- 9. Permanent (high tensile, barbed, other) or temporary fencing (poly wire).
- 10. Type (beef cattle, dairy cattle, horses, sheep, other) and numbers of livestock excluded.

## Alternative watering system (SL-6B)

- 11. Length of stream bank protected (in feet)?
- 12. Area in acres of pasture affected by watering system?

#### Exclusion fencing with upland prescribed or rotational grazing (SL-6, CRSL-6, SL-6A)

- 13. Length of stream bank protected (in feet)?
- 14. Average width (in feet) of buffer area between stream and fence.
- 15. Permanent (high tensile, barbed, other) or temporary fencing (poly wire).
- 16. Type (beef cattle, dairy cattle, horses, sheep, other) and numbers of livestock excluded.
- 17. Do you now practice prescribed or rotational grazing?
- 18. Prescribed grazing or rotational schedule (circle one).
  - A. Every 2 to 3 days
  - B. Every 3 to 7 days
  - C. Every 7 to 14 days
  - D. Greater than 14 days
- 19. Did you or are you planning on increasing the number of animals in the prescribed grazing program for the affected pastures?
- 20. Did you plant trees or grasses in the area behind any fence that excludes livestock from surface waters (circle one)? Yes No

If yes what was planted?

#### Cover Crops (SL-8, SL-8B, SL-8H)

- 21. Species planted circle one (wheat, barley, rye, triticale, other)
- 22. Was the crop drilled or aerial planted?
- 23. Planting date?
- 24. Harvest date if harvested?

#### **Continuous no-till (SL-15A)**

- 25. What date did you start implementing all crops planted via no-till technology?
- 26. What crops or rotation of crops do you plant via no-till technology?

## Buffers (minimum 35' average width) (CRFR-3, FR-3, CRWQ-1, WQ-1, WQ-1W)

- 27. What was the land use type (cropland, pasture, hay) before the buffer was installed or protected?
- 28. Did you plant trees or grasses in the buffer area? If yes what was planted?
- 29. Average width (in feet) of buffer area? Length or Buffer area (in feet)

#### Nutrient Management Planning (NM-1, NM-2, NM-3, NM-3B, NM-4, WP-4D)

- 30. Do you have a plan written by a certified nutrient management planner?
- 31. Do you understand your plan?
- 32. Have you implemented the plan?
- 33. Do you sidedress applications of nitrogen on your corn crops?
- 34. Do you utilize a pre-sidedress nitrate test?
- 35. Do you utilize late winter split applications of nitrogen on small grain crops?
- 36. Did you have soil tests conducted in support of nutrient management plan development?
- 37. When was the plan written and when will it expire and need revision?
- 38. What crops (specific crop, hay, pasture) and acres of each are covered by your plan?

#### **Animal Waste Management Systems (WP-4)**

- 39. Livestock type circle one (beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, or poultry)?
- 40. Number animals treated by the system?
- 41. Storage capacity in days (90, 120, 180)?
- 42. What do you do with the collected manure?
- 43. If you land apply the material on your farmland do you have and follow a nutrient management plan?

# **Barnyard Runoff Controls (WP-4B)**

- 44. Livestock type circle one (beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, or poultry)?
- 45. Number animals treated by the system?
- 46. Area treated by the system in acres?

# Composter facility for normal animal mortality (WP-4C)

- 47. Capacity of composter facility in tons or cubic yards?
- 48. Animal type (broiler, layer, pullets, hen turkey, tom turkey) circle one?
- 49. Do you use the compost on your farm or do you sell or transfer the material?
- 50. If you land apply the material on your farmland do you have and follow a nutrient management plan?

#### Retirement of Erodible Land (SL-1, SL-11, SL-1W)

- 51. What was the land use type (cropland, pasture, hay) before the land retirement was installed?
- 52. Area treated in acres?

## **Upland Tree Planting (FR-1)**

- 53. What was the land use type (cropland, pasture, hay) before the trees were planted?
- 54. Area in acres?

# Stream Restoration (WP-2A, WP-2C)

- 55. Methods used to stabilize stream bank or channel?
- 56. Length of stream bank or channel in linear feet stabilized?

# Wetland Restoration (CRWQ-6, WQ-6)

- 57. What was the land use type (cropland, pasture, hay) before the wetland was restored?
- 58. Area restored in acres?