**Michigan LICA Drainage Water Management (Controlled Drainage) Training**

**Next Steps in Certification Process**

Some may just want to complete the Michigan LICA DWM training for their professional development. Below are the additional steps required for those who want Michigan LICA or NRCS TSP certification.

**To be Certified by Michigan LICA for Drainage Water Management**

1. Complete Michigan LICA DWM training
2. Develop a DWM Conservation Activity Plan that is acceptable to Michigan LICA and NRCS-Michigan

Michigan LICA will then send a letter of certification for Drainage Water Management.

Michigan LICA and NRCS-Michigan will jointly conduct a quality review of no less than 5 percent of the DWM CAPs developed annually.

Those who have received Michigan LICA DWM Certification or who have completed the Michigan LICA DWM class and are working toward certification, will be listed on the DWM webpage on the Michigan LICA website. <http://www.michiganlica.org>

**To be a NRCS-Certified Technical Service Provider (TSP) for Developing Drainage Water Management Conservation Activity Plans (DWM CAP)**

1. Complete Michigan LICA DWM training
2. Develop a DWM Conservation Activity Plan that is acceptable to Michigan LICA and NRCS-Michigan
3. Obtain Michigan LICA certification for Drainage Water Management
4. Establish TSP account on NRCS TechReg website
5. Complete required online training:
   1. Course #1: Conservation Planning Modules 1‐5
   2. Course #2: TSP Orientation
6. Provide NRCS with two customer references where technical service has been provided that can verify prospective TSP’s experience and proficiency in DWM practices.

NRCS-Michigan will verify your completion of requirements and you will be listed on the NRCS TechReg website (NRCS National TSP online registry) as a certified TSP for developing DWM Conservation Activity Plans.

Michigan LICA and NRCS-Michigan will jointly conduct a quality review of no less than 5 percent of the DWM CAPs developed annually.

For farmers who need to get a DWM plan, NRCS will direct them to the MLICA DWM webpage to find someone who has the training to do a DWM plan until there are sufficient NRCS certified TSPs on the Tech Reg website. <http://techreg.usda.gov/>