

Increased Financial Assistance for Source Water Protection

Working lands can be key to protecting clean drinking water We can help!

Agriculture is a vital part of our infrastructure and so is our drinking water. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is working to prioritize land and water conservation practices on private working lands. These practices provide many benefits, including protecting public and private drinking water supplies.

Farmers and landowners in any of the priority watersheds shown on the map may be eligible to receive increased financial assistance from the following Farm Bill conservation programs:

- Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)
- Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)

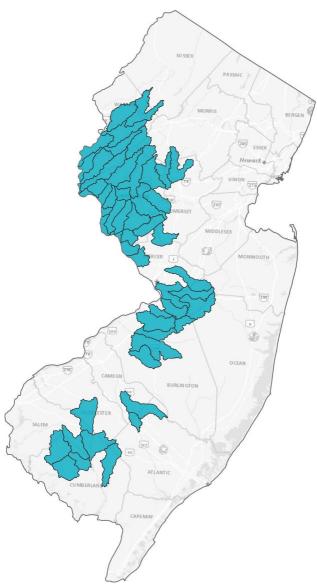
NRCS NJ is providing 10 percent of Farm Bill program funding for this initiative and is now accepting SWP applications.

Eligible conservation practices may address groundwater or surface water protection, or both. A list of eligible practices is shown to the right.

Farmers who implement these conservation practices within the priority watersheds can receive an additional 15% cost share rate.

NRCS field office staff can assist in determining if your application is eligible for SWP priority area financial assistance.

To view an interactive version of this map, use the following link, https://bit.ly/448txM3.



Financial and Technical Assistance

Increased payment rates available for the following practices:

Core

Access Control Agrichemical Handling Facility Animal Mortality Facility Composting Facility Conservation Cover Conservation Crop Rotation Contour Buffer Strips Contour Farming Contour Orchard/Perennial Crops Critical Area Planting Diversion **Drainage Water Management** Field Border Filter Strip Grade Stablization Structure **Grassed Waterway** Heavy Use Area Protection **Nutrient Management** Prescribed Grazing Riparian Forest Buffer Riparian Herbaceous Cover Roofs Roofs & Covers Stream Crossing Terrace Trails & Walkways Tree/Shrub Establishment Vegetated Treatment Area Vegetative Barrier Waste Facility Closure Waste Recycling Waste Storage Facility Waste Treatment Water & Sediment Control Basin

Supporting

Access Road Alley Cropping Cross Wind Trap Strips Fence Forage & Biomass Planting Hedgerow Planting Herbaceous Wind Barriers Integrated Pest Management Lined Waterway or Outlet Livestock Pipeline Mulching Roof Runoff Structure Sediment Basin Silvopasture Establishment Spring Development Stripcropping Structure for Water Control **Underground Outlet** Water Well Watering Facility



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