

Ag Stewardship in the Peconic Estuary Watershed RCPP Ranking Questions

Applicability Question

1. Is the application located in the area identified as the Peconic Estuary Groundwater Watershed?

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Program Questions

1. N.R.C.S./T.S.P./A.E.M. Plan has been developed to address nutrient management issues?
2. N.R.C.S./T.S.P./A.E.M. Plan has been developed to address pest management issues?
3. Do the practices in this application address nutrient management issues?
4. Do the practices in this application address pest management issues?

Resource Questions

Soil Erosion

1. Is this application addressing sheet and rill erosion?
2. Does this application address concentrated flow erosion?
3. Does this application address wind erosion?

Soil Quality

4. Does this application address organic matter depletion?
5. Does this application address soil compaction?
6. Does this application help to improve soil tilth and structure?

Water Quality

7. Does this application address excess nutrient inputs into surface waters and/or groundwater?
8. Does this application address pesticides transported to surface and/or groundwater?
9. Does this application address excessive sedimentation in surface water?
10. Does this application address petroleum concerns transported to surface and/or groundwater?
11. Does this application address reducing on-farm water use?
12. Does this application address excessive pathogens in surface and/or groundwater?

Degraded Plant Condition

13. Does this application address undesirable plant productivity and health?
14. Does this application address excessive pest pressure?

Wildlife Habitat

15. Will the proposed project improve wildlife habitat by implementing practices benefitting threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern?
16. Will the proposed project improve wildlife habitat by implementing practices benefitting honeybee populations or other pollinators?
17. Will the proposed project improve wildlife habitat by implementing land-based practices that improve habitat for aquatic wildlife?