Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Drinking Water Source Protection Region

Stewardship Funding Opportunities for Your Projects to Protect Drinking Water

Although there is currently no funding available for projects through the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program (ODWSP) in the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Drinking Water Source Protection Region (as of May 11, 2015), there may be grants and incentive funds through other federal, provincial, county, and other programs such as:

Growing Forward 2

The new federal-provincial-territorial 2015 *Growing Forward 2* program offers several stewardship opportunities, similar to ODWSP, for farm operations. An Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) is required and/or attendance at workshops may be required in order to be eligible for grants, depending on the version of EFP registered with your operation. Cost-share funding in the Lake Huron watershed is available for:

Nutrient management projects

- Manure storage improvements
- Manure composting
- Land application of manure
- Livestock facilities runoff control

Fuel storage improvements

- Storage facilities for on-farm vehicles, barn/greenhouses
- Heating fuel for domestic, office, or bunkhouse use
- Portable fuel storage tanks

Water well management

- Decommissioning wells
- Repair and upgrading existing wells

More information is available at www.ontariosoilcrop.org

The Implementation Funding Assistance for Producers Program Guide is available at: http://www.ontariosoilcrop.org/docs/gf2 costshare producer guide 2015-2016.pdf

County Clean Water Projects:

Huron County Clean Water Project

In Huron County, the Huron County Clean Water Project will fund projects including well decommissioning and wellhead protection projects – as stand-alone or top-up grants.

http://www.abca.on.ca/page.php?page=huron-county-clean-water-project

http://www.mvca.on.ca/programs water.php

http://www.huroncounty.ca/plandev/water.php

Wellington Rural Water Quality Program

http://www.wellington.ca/en/residentservices/ruralwaterquality.asp

For information on the above programs please visit the above links. For information on drinking water source protection in the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Drinking Water Source Protection Region please call 519-235-2610 or toll-free 1-888-286-2610 or email info@sourcewaterinfo.on.ca.

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