

## VNMP and CNMP Implementation

### Tips to Accomplish Practice Standard

- If new soil samples are taken during the contract, the nutrient application should be updated to reflect the updated sample.
- Ensure all the planned nutrient BMPs (Basic & Precision VNMP or CNMP Implementation, Manure Incorporation, Phosphorus Placement), align with the recommendations of the approved VNMP or CNMP. If any nutrient BMP results in an overapplication, the grower forfeits all related nutrient BMP payments.
- Certification and Verification of all nutrient BMPs during the crop year must be completed prior to releasing payment.
- If STP is above 200 PPM Mehlich III no starter application is allowed, even if it's under the 20 lbs P2O5 allowance.

### Important Dates

The grower must complete the Certification process by September 30<sup>th</sup> of the enrolled Crop Year.

### Certification Instructions

1. Log in to the applicable "Grower" account in the *MyFarms* H2Ohio experience.
2. Navigate to the "BMP Certification" milestone and complete the Certification tasks.
3. Once the Certification tasks are completed, the SWCD will review the documents and either release payment or ask for more information.

## Precision VNMP and CNMP Implementation

### Tips to Accomplish Practice Standard

- A precision plan must consist of geo-referenced soil test results uploaded to MyFarms in shapefile format.
- If the producer has a precision plan, they may alternate between Precision VNMP or CNMP Implementation and Basic VNMP or CNMP Implementation on individual fields, based on each crop year's applications, over the life of the contract.
- Ensure all the planned nutrient BMPs (Basic & Precision VNMP or CNMP, Manure Inc, P Placement), align with the recommendations of the approved VNMP or CNMP. If any nutrient BMP results in an overapplication, the grower forfeits all related nutrient BMP payments.
- Certification and Verification of all nutrient BMPs during the crop year must be completed prior to the SWCD releasing payment.
- Below are examples of payment types earned in several scenarios:

Crop Year Payment Earned	Soil Sampling Method	Planned Phosphorus Applications*
Precision Implementation \$15/ Ac.	≤6-acre grids OR ≤ 12- acre zone (geo- referenced) uploaded in shapefile format	Fertilizer/manure application at or below recommendation, OR no P2O5 application is made.
Precision Implementation \$15/ Ac.	≤6-acre grids OR ≤ 12- acre zone (geo- referenced) uploaded in shapefile format	Fertilizer/manure applications are made at or below Tri-State. Maximum application is 2-year fertilizer recommendation + flat rate starter (≤20 lbs P2O5).
Basic Implementation \$10/ Ac.	≤6-acre grids OR ≤ 12- acre zone (geo- referenced) uploaded in shapefile format	All STP levels have a zero P2O5 recommendation per Tri-State. No P2O5 is applied, except for the flat rate starter application.
Basic Implementation \$10/ Ac.	≤25-acre composite	Flat rate fertilizer/manure recommendation, with flat rate application at or below recommendation, OR no P2O5 application is made.

\*If the VNMP or CNMP has planned P2O5 applications that exceed what 590 allows, the field(s) will be excluded from the Contract for all nutrient BMPs. Those field(s) are still eligible for the O/W Cover BMP.

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2. Navigate to the "BMP Certification" milestone and complete the Certification tasks.
3. Once the Certification tasks are completed by the grower or an advisor, the SWCD will review the documents and either release payment or ask for more information.