

Farm Stewardship Program

Manure Application Equipment and Technologies BMP

Intent of BMP: To assist with the purchase of specialized equipment or modifying existing equipment for improved manure application resulting in increased nutrient retention and utilization; reduced odour, volatilization and emissions and reduced risk of nutrient run-off.

Funding Level: 30 per cent of eligible costs to a maximum of \$30,000.

Application Type: **Rebate.** The cost of eligible components on new equipment must be itemized on the invoice or on a separate invoice.

Technical Resource: For technical assistance please contact a Ministry of Agriculture Provincial Livestock Engineer:
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Eligibility:

- Must have an EFP.
- **Basic Eligibility Criteria** plus:
- Own, lease or custom graze a minimum of 20 animal units.

Project Costs: Eligible Costs:

- For liquid manure: equipment modifications such as injector openers, sub-canopy applicators, aeration/infiltration tools, and spreader tank agitators.
- For solid manure: modifications to existing equipment or specialized features on new equipment that significantly improve application consistency (e.g. vertical beaters on manure spreaders) when compared to standard equipment. Only the incremental cost for the component upgrade is eligible for funding when purchasing new equipment.
- Eligible cost for vertical beaters on manure spreaders is up to a maximum rebate of \$3,000.
- Installation of built-in scales on existing manure application equipment, or the scale component of new equipment. Funding may be provided for the cost of drive-on scales if this is proven to be a more feasible option.

Ineligible Costs:

- Labour including applicant, employee or custom.
- Items considered regular repair or maintenance.
- Modifications for equipment used solely for custom purposes.
- Used and leased items or equipment. To be eligible, new items or equipment **MUST** be purchased from a recognized dealer.