

# Farm Stewardship Program

## Creek and Stream Crossings BMP

**Intent of BMP:** Assistance for creek and stream crossings is available to producers with existing crossings (constructed or random) which pose a risk to water quality, fish habitat or riparian area health.

**Funding Level:** 50 per cent of eligible costs to a maximum of \$20,000.

**Application Type:** **Pre-Approval.** Applicants must submit a pre-approval application prior to commencing their project.

Inspections may be required before the project work begins and once the project is complete.

Projects **MUST** demonstrate environmental benefit. Projects to improve access for convenience purposes only are **NOT** eligible.

**Technical Resource:** For technical assistance contact a [Water Security Agency Regional Office](#).

**Eligibility:**

- Must have an EFP or AEGP Certificate of Completion.
- **Basic Eligibility Criteria** plus:
- Own or control land with creek or stream crossings for livestock or agricultural equipment that pose an environmental risk.

**Project Costs:** Eligible Costs:

- Engineering/consulting costs associated with design of creek and stream crossings. This work can receive funding even if the project does not proceed.
- Costs related to earthwork, geo-tech materials and installation and site isolation costs.
- Transportation of rocks, soil or other materials to the project site by a third party.
- Labour including applicant, employee and custom. Applicant and employee labour at a maximum of \$20/hour.
- Rented equipment or applicant's equipment charged at rates included in the Saskatchewan Farm Machinery Custom and Rental Rate Guide.

Ineligible Costs:

- In-kind materials such as rocks, gravel or clay.
- Crossings for sloughs and potholes.
- Transportation of soil or other materials away from the project site.
- Costs related to re-vegetating the site.
- Development of new crossings. Development of a new crossing may be considered for special circumstances on a case by case basis.
- Ditch plugs.
- Crossings on road allowances.
- Channel clearing only.

