

Farm Stewardship Program

Plastic Grain Bag Roller BMP

Intent of BMP: Removing grain from grain bags often occurs during the winter months when snow and ice buildup can make it difficult to remove the bag from the field. Having access to a grain bag roller as the grain is extracted makes consolidation and recycling of the plastic easier and more convenient. The plastic also remains cleaner if immediately rolled which is preferred by the recycling industry. Recycling is an environmentally preferred alternative to burning, burying or taking bags to landfill sites.

This BMP will assist producers with the purchase of a grain bag roller. The intent of the BMP is to better manage, store and recycle grain bags thereby reducing the environmental risks associated with improper disposal.

Funding Level: 50 per cent of eligible costs to a maximum of \$5,000.

Application Type: **Rebate.**

Technical Resource: For more information on this BMP, please contact Financial Programs Branch at 1-877-874-5365.

For information about grain bag recycling programs please contact SimplyAg Solutions Inc. at 1-866-298-7222.

Eligibility:

- Must have an EFP.
- **Basic Eligibility Criteria.**

Project Costs: Eligible Costs:

- Plastic grain bag stand-alone roller unit.
- Incorporated roller unit in a grain extractor if it produces a roll acceptable to recycle.
- Hydraulic components to connect to the tractor hydraulic system if not part of the roller system.
- To be eligible, new items or equipment must be purchased from a grain bag dealer or manufacturer.

Ineligible Costs:

- Costs for projects started prior to April 1, 2015.
- Trailer to haul the stand-alone roller unit.
- Equipment for loading or hauling used plastic.
- Labour including applicant, employee or custom.
- In-kind labour costs to assemble equipment.
- Power units not built into the roller unit.
- Transportation of the roller unit from the dealership to the farm.
- Used or leased items or equipment.