



Sub-Area Rules for Byron-Deshler-Ruskin Water Quality Sub-Area

1. All operators must attend nitrogen and or irrigation management training workshops every 4 years.
2. Increase information and educational efforts for the target area.
3. Provide one-on-one assistance to operators (as available).
4. Provide or secure through outside sources, funding for short term incentive programs to encourage producers to adopt BMPs.

The operators/owners are responsible for providing assistance in our groundwater protection activities in the following ways:

1. Prohibit fall application of anhydrous and liquid fertilizer before November 1 on cropland for the ensuing crop year.
2. Provide an initial operator report of current farm and practice information as a means of establishing a benchmark for management practice implementation, educational needs, and future program progress.
3. Develop a Best Management Practice (BMP) Plan.
4. Provide year end annual reports tailored to identify crop and farming practices. The reports will consist of one or more of the following:
 - a. Available soil sample results and location where samples are taken.
 - b. Irrigation water sample results from each well.
 - c. Amount of fertilizer/chemical applied to fields in the sub-area.
 - d. Flow meter readings or best available pumpage data for the irrigation season, the crops grown and acres irrigated from each well.
 - e. BMPs being implemented by the producer.
 - f. Reports are due April 1st of each year.