Orleans County
Natural Resources Conservation District

Professional Agricultural Services

Need help creating or updating your Nutrient Management Plan (NMP)? Orleans County NRCD provides a variety of services to assist you!

Services Available

- Soil sampling
- Manure sampling
- Annual records, data entry and GoCrop management
- Map Making
- Identification of soil loss
- Advice on implementation

VT Agriculture Regulations to Know

The new Required Agricultural Practices (RAPs), effective for the 2017 field season are to limit nutrient losses from agricultural land. Under this rule, all Certified Small Farm Operations, Medium, and Large Farm Operations are required to implement a nutrient management plan consistent with the NRCS Nutrient Management Practice Code 590.

What is the 590 Standard?

Code 590 outlines the contents of an effective NMP. To comply with the RAPs, this includes:

- Soil sampling fields receiving nutrient application every 3-5 years
- Manure sampling annually
- Maintenance of manure and nutrient application records for the past 5 years. Records include:
  - Application date
  - Field location
  - Application rate
  - Source of nutrients
  - Weather & field conditions when applying

Pricing and Hourly Rates

Soil sampling.........................$32/sample
Manure sampling......................$60/sample
(includes staff time, soil maps, lab fees & shipping)

Nutrient Management Planning Services
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Interested? Contact us!
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