**Program Purpose**
Regional funding for those farming in the McGregor or Jeannettes Creek subwatersheds is available to implement a variety of Agricultural Best Management Practices (BMP’s) with the goal of improving local **Soil Health** and **Water Quality** in the Thames River watershed and ultimately Lake Erie.

**Important Information**

- Funding is available for practices that are implemented during the 2019 growing season.
- You do not need an Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) to be eligible for this program.
- Tenant Farmers are eligible for funding to implement BMP’s on rented land.
- Applications for BMP’s must be submitted prior to implementation.
- See the subwatershed map enclosed to determine if you are eligible.

**Next Steps**
If you farm within either the McGregor or Jeannettes Creek subwatershed and wish to inquire about the program, the application process or discuss a project proposal please contact LTVCA staff prior to implementing an eligible BMP.

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Funding is Available for:

BMP 1- Cover Crops
- Frost-Terminated Species = $10.00/acre
- Overwintering Species=$12.50/acre

BMP 2- 4R Nutrient Management Planning
- Grid or Zone Soil Sampling
- Field Profitability Mapping Services
- CCA written Crop and Nutrient Management Plan
  =50% Cost-Share

BMP 3- Alternative Phosphorus Application Practices
- Strip Tillage, Variable Rate, or Below Canopy Application of Phosphate
  =$10.00/acre

BMP 4- Erosion Control Structures
- Rock Chutes, Grassed Waterways
- Water and Sediment Control Basins (WASCoBs)
  =50% Cost-Share

BMP 5- Marginal & Sensitive Land Restoration
- Cost shares available to establish buffer strips, field windbreaks, wetlands, native grasslands, and tree plantings
- Funding pending project proposal

BMP 6- Farmer Innovative Solutions
- Project’s with the potential to improve water quality, soil health, and reduce agriculturally sourced phosphorus loads. Including innovative farming tech, equipment modifications, phosphorus adsorption tech, or water management structures
- Funding pending project proposal

Do you Farm within the McGregor or Jeannettes Creek Subwatersheds of the Thames River?