

Virginia Cost-share & Tax Credit Program

The District receives funds from the VA Department of Conservation and Recreation to administer the Virginia Agricultural Best Management Practices (BMPs) Cost-Share and Tax Credit Program in Hanover and Caroline Counties. The program provides incentives to agricultural landowners and producers to apply BMPs to their land. The BMPs help to prevent sediments, nutrients, and other pollutants from reaching streams and waterways.

The District allocated **\$1,237,465.88** in FY21 Agriculture BMP Cost-share assistance. Of that total, **\$800,613.04** was disbursed to Caroline County, **\$436,644.84** in Hanover County. From July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 (FY21), the following BMP's were installed:



- **4989 LF Livestock Stream Exclusion with Grazing Land Management** (SL-6/6W) with 1787 linear feet of streambank protection installed in Caroline County (1 system) and 3202 linear feet in Hanover (1 system).

- **19,735 AC Small Grain Cover Crop for Nutrient and Residue Management** (SL-8B) with 12,558 acres planted in Caroline County and 7,177 acres in Hanover County.

- **4,548 AC Harvestable Cover Crop** (SL-8H) planted with 3,448 acres in Caroline County and 1,100 acres in Hanover County.

- **272 AC Protective Cover for Specialty Crops** (SL-8) planted with 245 acres in Caroline County and 27 acres in Hanover County.

- **651 AC Split Application of Nitrogen on Corn** (NM-3C) with 630 acres in Caroline County and 21 acres in Hanover.

- **1,572 AC Late Winter Split Application of Nitrogen on Small Grains** (NM-4) with 494 acres in Caroline County and 1,078 acres in Hanover County.

- **4,312 AC Long Term Continuous No-Tillage** (CCI-CNT) with 1,334 acres in Caroline County and 2,978 in Hanover County.

- **107 AC Long Term Vegetative Cover on Cropland** (SL-1) with 19 acres in Caroline County and 88 acres in Hanover County.

