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Attachments: [MMP Date Problem Workaround Procedure 1-22-2021.pdf](#)

Good Afternoon.

As districts started developing nutrient management plans and using Manure Management Planner (MMP), they discovered new plans cannot be developed setting 2021 as the starting year. We contacted Glenn Davis NRCS's lead on nutrient management for guidance. Glenn said the year issue is a nationwide problem and another version of MMP is being developed to correct the issue. Until the new version is released, Glenn provided the following guidance to develop plans starting in 2021.

The MMP plan should start in 2020 if you want to do a four-year plan that actually starts in 2021. Set the start year to 2020 and the end year to 2025. Depending on the start month in 2020 you may end up throwing out 2020. I usually start in October so the first actual crop year is 2021. Do all the nutrient planning through 2025. You will only use 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024. The final year, 2025, is not used in documentation but is needed for the internal nutrient allocations within MMP. This is actually a process I use routinely in MMP (padding the plan with a first-year and final-year plan that I don't actually use).

If you already saved a plan using 2021 as the start year you'll have to edit the *.mmp file using Notepad. Attached are instructions on how to edit the .mmp file.

Once a new version of MMP is available, we will work with ITSD to update the district computers.

Thank you!!

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