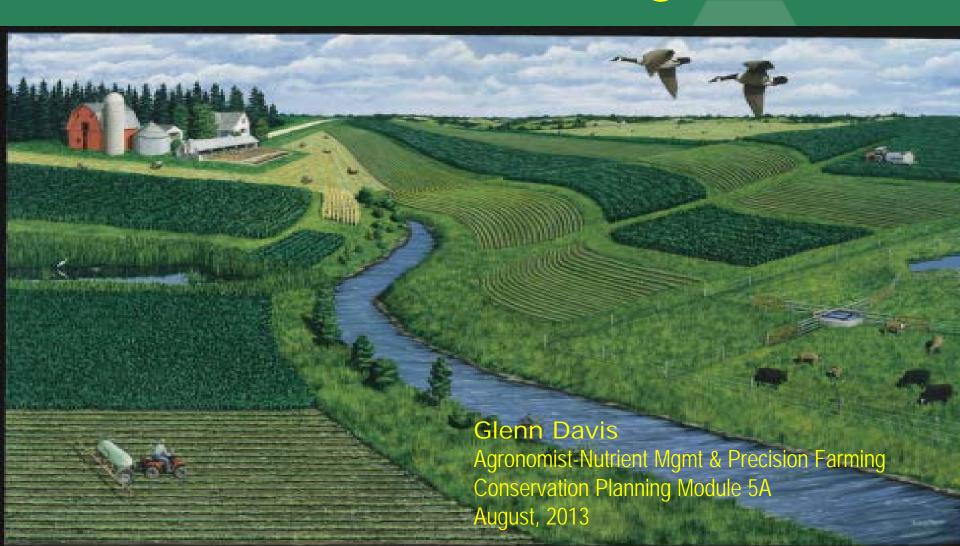


Nutrient & Pest Management



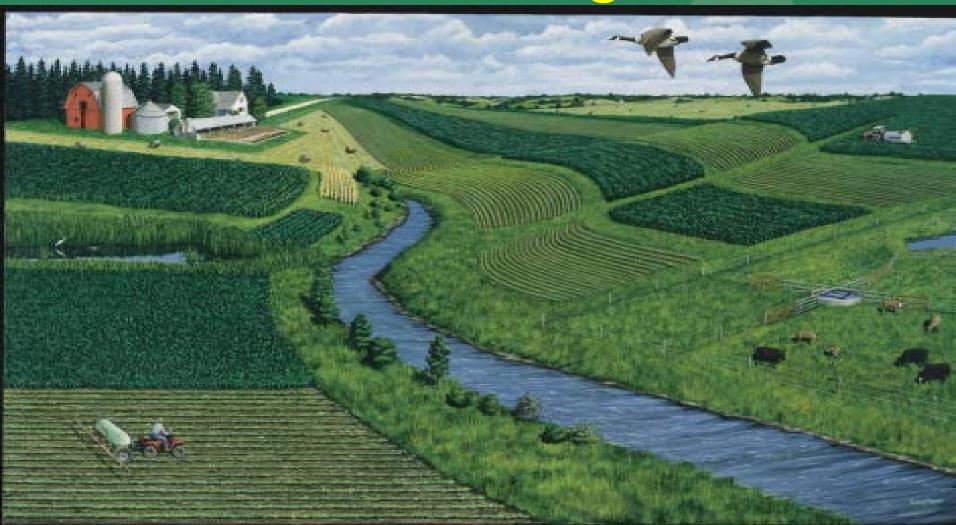


Presentation Format

- Conservation practice resource concerns addressed
- Minimum planning requirements
- Certification requirements and procedures
- Planning tools and Plan format



Section 1: Nutrient Management





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Definition

- Managing the amount (rate), source, placement (method of application), and timing of plant nutrients and soil amendments.
- "4Rs" of nutrient management
 - Right Amount
 - Right Source
 - Right Time
 - Right Place



Resource Concerns-Nutrient Management

- Primary:
 - Water quality
 - Plant condition
- Secondary
 - Air quality
 - Soil condition



Nutrient Management

- Nutrients from inorganic sources ("fertilizer")
- Guaranteed analysis
- Usually "concentrated
- Form is flexible
- Plagement is flexible.



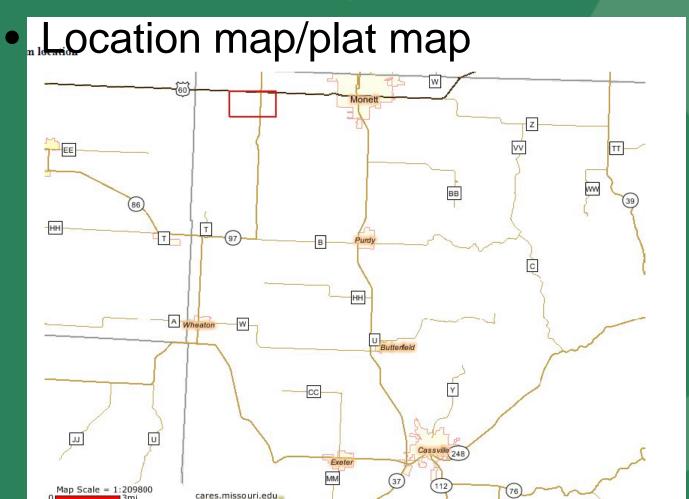
Nutrient Management

- Nutrients from organic sources (manure)
- Nutrient content is uncertain
 - Needs at least an annual analysis
 - Best if done when applied



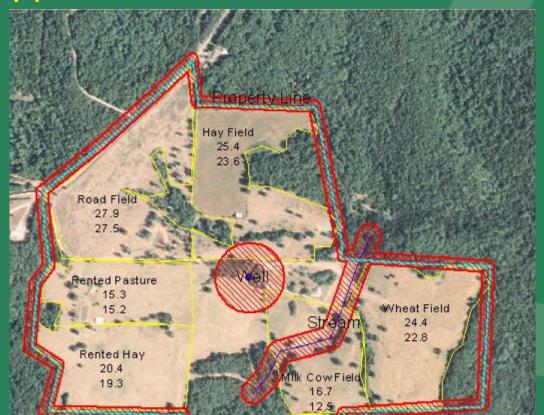


• Essential items (1)





- Essential items (2)
 - Map showing field boundaries and any application setbacks





- Essential items (3)
 - Soils map





- Essential items (4)
 - A four-year budget for NPK
 - Nutrients applied minus Nutrients utilized = Nutrients remaining in soil
 - Usually apply nutrients according to a recommendation
 - For USDA programs in Missouri, must use University of Missouri-Columbia Extension recs



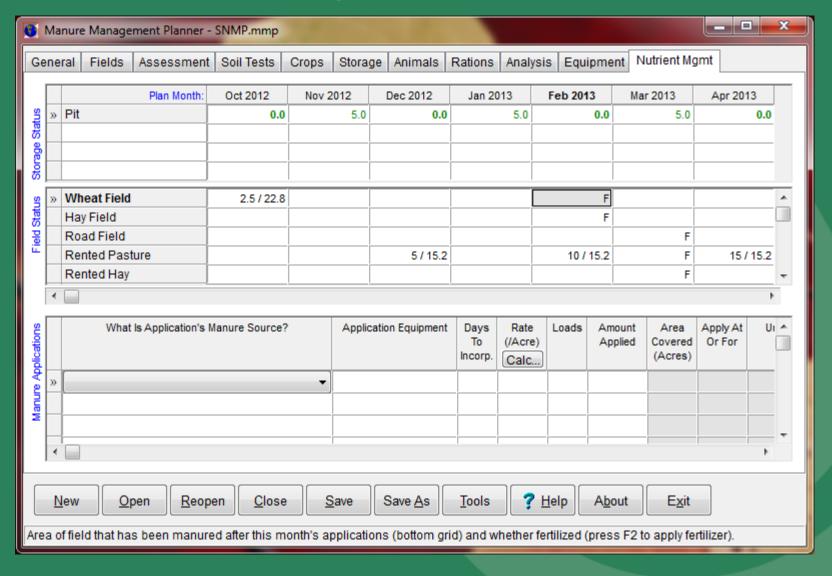
Nutrient Management

- A four-year budget for NPK
 - This is hard to do by hand
 - Utilize computer tools



CONSERVATION PLANNING COURSE

Manure Management Planner (MMP)





Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP)

- A conservation plan for animal feeding operations
- Engineering and agronomic issues
- Addresses the production area (animals, manure storage)
- Addresses land application area
- Complication—Regulatory



Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP)

- WAY too complicated to get into here
- Attend MU's course



Demo

- Mapping
- Manure Management Planner (MMP) for a fertilizer-only operation (no manure)
- Export to a report generator website



Certification

- Three options in Missouri
 - Organizations—e.g., Certified Crop Advisor
 - Education-BS in agronomy or allied plant nutrient field
 - Experience-Three years within the last five in nutrient management planning



Certification

- All options require:
 - Knowledge of tools such as RUSLE2,
 WEPS, WEQ, P-index, Leaching Index
 - NRCS course-Modules 1-7 of Nutrient & Pest Management Considerations in Conservation Planning. Module 7 is a proctored test administered by NRCS State Office staff.
 - Two customer references where technical service has been provided. A completed nutrient management can be substituted.

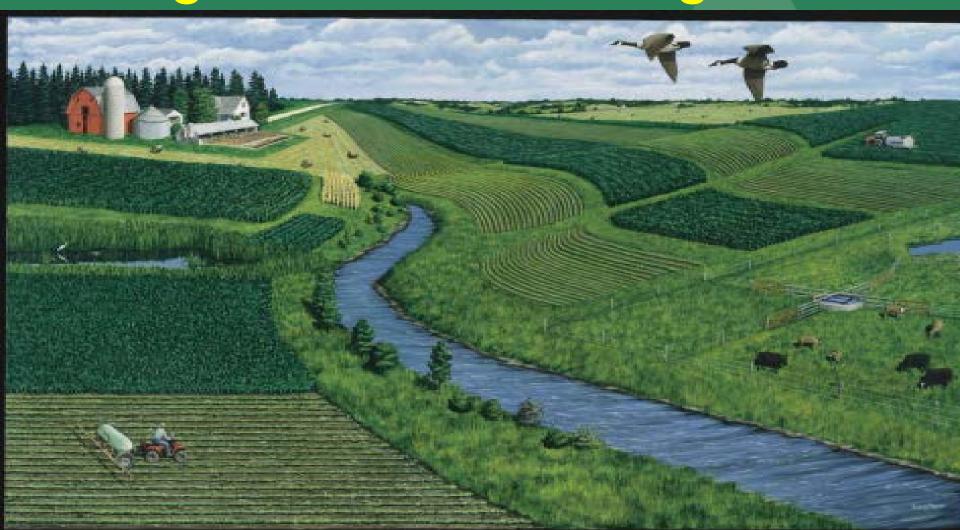


Certification

- Maintaining certification
 - Eight hours/yr of Continuing Education
 - Provide current nutrient management materials provided to landowner <u>once</u> <u>every three years</u>.
 - Maintain technical proficiency. All assistance is subject to random review.
 - Additional formal training as required by reviewing staff



Section 2: Integrated Pest Management





Definition:

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

A site-specific combination of pest prevention, pest avoidance, pest monitoring, and pest suppression strategies.



Resource ConcernsIntegrated Pest Management

- Primary:
 - Water quality
 - Plant condition
 - Animal health
- Secondary
 - Air quality
 - Soil condition



- An IPM conservation plan
 - -Sustainable management of pests
 - -Minimizes risk to
 - Human health
 - Beneficial/non-target organisms
 - "The Environment"



- A decision-making process
- Determines management solution that is
 - Appropriate
 - Cost effective



Section 2: Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

- Establishes pest tolerance levels
- Establishes monitoring protocols
- Develop an effective, site-specific and low-risk strategy to manage the pest



- Possible tools/techniques:
 - -Chemical tools





- Possible tools/techniques:
 - Biological control
 - Conservation (of natural enemies)
 - Lacewings, lady beetles
 - Classical control-importing and releasing natural enemies to control an introduced ("exotic") pest
 - Often used when an introduced pest is not controlled by natural enemies
 - European corn borer controlled by *Trichogramma* ostriniae (Chinese parasitic wasp)



- Possible tools/techniques (2):
 - Biological control
 - Long-lasting, inexpensive
 - Best against exotic pests
 - Not always effective; sometimes due to ineffective introduction, poor adaptation to new environment, or poor synchrony of life cycle between enemy species and pest



- Possible tools/techniques (3):
 - -Inoculative release of natural enemies
 - Habitat manipulation-refuge, food source



- NRCS Responsibility
 - Meet NRCS quality criteria for soil erosion, water quality, air quality, plant quality
 - Comply with federal, state, tribal, local laws, regulation, and permit requirements
 - Address operator objectives



- NRCS Responsibility (2)
 - NRCS does not make chemical recs or change chemical labels
 - NRCS does provide guidance and mitigation strategies for existing recs
 - Protect resources



- Possible tools/techniques:
 - -Chemical tools
 - -Biological control
 - Habitat manipulation
 - Modified cultural practices
 - -Resistant varieties



IPM Plan Requirements

- Identify target pest(s)
- Identify control methods
- Risk assessment
- Identify mitigation strategies
- Determine effectiveness



IPM Plan Requirements (2)

- Use a Job Sheet JS-AGRON-31
 - Crop Management
 - Crops
 - Tillage type and timing
 - Residue
 - Identify pest(s)
 - List control method(s)



IPM Plan Requirements (3)

• Use a





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