# How Do I Get Involved?

- Sign up using this pamphlet, it is FREE to sign up!
- Request assistance at the BCCD office.
- You are automatically signed up by receiving the following types of assistance from BCCD:
  - ♦ Conservation Plans
  - ♦ Nutrient Management Plans
  - Agricultural Erosion and Sedimentation Requirements
  - ♦ Technical Assistance
  - ♦ Manure Management Manual

After signing up, you will receive:

- Farm Cooperators direct mailings
- Information about different financing options
- Invitations to workshops (including invitations to upcoming manure management workshops)
- Invitations to Annual trainings
- Annual conservation tune-up guidance
- Farmer to Farmer mentor opportunities
- Open communication with the agricultural community

The BCCD is here to provide assistance for practices to help conserve the soil and water for future generations. This is done through education, technical assistance, and financial assistance. The District can help secure grants and other funding to assist our agricultural community, all the while keeping your farms productive and economically sustainable.

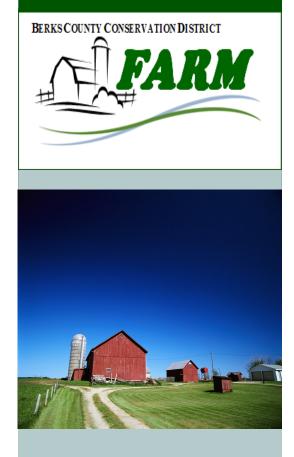


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#### F.A.R.M.

### FARMERS ACHIEVING RESOURCE MANAGEMENT



Become a Farm Cooperator Today!



#### What is FARM?

FARM (Farmers Achieving Resource Management) is a new free program from the Berks County Conservation District (BCCD) designed to better serve and build relationships within our agricultural community.

#### Vision

The goal is to develop a long-term open communication stream to inform all participants of the successes and failures of implemented conservation practices, new laws, and District events. This will help to build relationships with new and old cooperators in the agricultural community.

## Why Get Involved?

If you have received assistance from the BCCD or any of our partners in the past, you probably remember the questions and uncertainties you might have had. Wouldn't it have been nice to have seen your planned BMP's already on the ground, and to have talked to someone with first hand knowledge about their experiences?



#### What's in it for you?

- Get free technical assistance with:
  - ♦ Conservation Plans
  - ◊ Nutrient Management Plans
  - ◊ Manure Management Plans
  - Erosion and Sediment Plans
  - ◊ Best Management Practices (BMP's)
- Attend workshops & the banquet
- Learn about:
  - ◊ New technology developments
  - Upcoming manure management workshops
  - New regulations and how to be in compliance with them
- Receive free newsletters and literature on:
  - ◊ New programs
  - New laws and regulations in the agricultural community
  - ♦ Financing options, etc.
- Farmer Mentor Program
  - Take advantage of opportunities to learn from others and/or showcase your own farm
- Annual Conservation Tune-Up
  - Communication between Farm Cooperators and the BCCD staff to see how we can better assist the agricultural community.

member using my information as provided below:
Name (Please Print)
Address
City/State/Zip
Phone
Farm Name/Operation Type
Email

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YES, I want to become a member of the Berks County Conservation District's FARM program. Please enroll me as