



Now accepting applications



# JUMP START YOUR SPRING PLANTING

With cost-share grants for manure injection and incorporation

**Cost-share grants** are now available from the Maryland Department of Agriculture to help farmers incorporate or inject all types of animal manure or eligible organic products into their fields. Assistance is available to hire custom operators, rent or lease equipment or offset operating costs associated with secondary tillage equipment. Call or visit your soil conservation district to jump start your spring planting today.

## Guidelines and Conditions

- Organic nutrient sources must be injected or incorporated within 48 hours of application.
- Participation is limited to farmers who have not used eligible equipment from October 15, 2007 to October 15, 2012.
- Applications must be approved before work begins.
- Applicants must be in good standing with the Maryland Agricultural Water Quality Cost-Share (MACS) Program and the Nutrient Management Program.
- Work must be completed by June 2, 2015 and all claims for payment received by June 10, 2015. Other restrictions apply.

Manure Injection and Incorporation Cost-Share Payment Scale	
Manure Practice	Cost-Share Rate
Manure injection equipment rented or purchased on or after October 15, 2012 along with services performed by a hired custom operator	Up to \$55 per acre
Vertical tillage equipment rented or purchased on or after October 15, 2012 along with services performed by a hired custom operator	Up to \$20 per acre
Vertical tillage equipment purchased before October 15, 2012	\$10 per acre
Secondary tillage equipment (disks, Phillips Rotary Harrow)	\$10 per acre



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