



**Maryland Department of Agriculture  
MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY COST-SHARE PROGRAM**

**NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN CERTIFICATION  
FOR ANIMAL WASTE FACILITIES (CODES 313, 318, 359)**

\*Only for use with the Certificate of Imminent Start-Up or Expansion

I understand that, consistent with Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) policy effective June 15, 1990,

1. I must obtain and implement a Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) for my farm which includes the storage and utilization of animal waste for the facility which may be built with MACS funding.
2. I am responsible for requesting help from the Cooperative Extension Service or a private nutrient management consultant in preparing the NMP.
3. I am aware that I must be in compliance with the current requirements of the Nutrient Management Program (COMAR 15.20.08) before my Application/Agreement is approved.
4. However, before my Claim for Payment is processed, copies of the entire plan (reflective of the current operation) must accompany the Claim for Payment. This plan must indicate the use of the Animal Waste Facility and the presence of animals on the farm.
5. I understand that the MDA will not process or sign the Claim for Payment if the NMP is missing.
6. The NMP must be reviewed and approved by the Nutrient Management Program before the Claim for Payment is approved by the MACS office
7. I also understand that I must keep my NMP current in accordance with my Operation and Maintenance Plan and the Nutrient Management requirements (COMAR 15.20.08).

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Applicant's signature

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Date

Reference: MACS Memo No. 90-002, May 7, 1990