

Additional Cost-Share Options

Farmers who want to use different application rates or apply manure to crops not covered by our **FastTrack** grants should contact their soil conservation district, nutrient management consultant, or the Manure Transport Program to discuss other cost-share options to transport manure.



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Maryland's Soil Conservation Districts

Allegany	301-777-1747, ext. 3	alleganyscd.com
Anne Arundel	410-571-6757	aascd.org
Baltimore Co.	410-527-5920, ext. 3	bcscd.org
Calvert	410-535-1521, ext. 3	calvertsoil.org
Caroline	410-479-1202, ext. 3	
Carroll	410-848-8200, ext. 3	carrollsoil.com
Catoctin	301-695-2803, ext. 3	catoctinfrederickscd.com
Cecil	410-398-4411, ext. 3	cecilscd.com
Charles	301-638-3028	charlesscd.com
Dorchester	410-228-5640, ext. 3	
Frederick	301-695-2803, ext. 3	catoctinfrederickscd.com
Garrett	301-501-5886	garrettscd.org
Harford	410-638-4828	harfordscd.org
Howard	410-313-0680	howardscd.org
Kent	410-778-5150, ext. 3	kentsoilandwaterconservation-district.org
Montgomery	301-590-2855	montgomeryscd.org
Prince George's	301-574-5162, ext. 3	pgscd.org
Queen Anne's	410-758-3136, ext. 3	qascd.com
St. Mary's	301-475-8402, ext. 3	stmarysscd.com
Somerset	410-621-9310	
Talbot	410-822-1577, ext. 5	talbotscd.com
Washington Co.	301-797-6821, ext. 3	conservationplace.com
Wicomico	410-546-4777, ext. 3	
Worcester	410-632-5439, ext. 3	



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Maryland's Manure Transport Program

Providing Cost-Share Grants to
Haul Manure to Approved Farms
and Alternative Use Facilities



Get the scoop on our new
Haul Now, Apply Later FastTrack Grants!

What is the Manure Transport Program?

Maryland's Manure Transport Program provides cost-share grants to help cover the cost of hauling manure to qualifying farms or alternative use facilities that can use the product in an environmentally safe manner.



Who Can Apply:

- Receiving farms that can use the manure as a nutrient source based on the farm's current nutrient management plan
- Manure brokers registered with the Maryland Department of Agriculture
- Alternative use facilities/operations



FastTrack Grants to Transport Poultry Manure

Our new and improved **FastTrack** grants allow farmers with acceptable soil phosphorus levels (MD P Fertility Index Value of 100 or less) to haul poultry manure to their fields as soon as they need it using our *haul now, apply later* option.

RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

- The sending farm must be located in Maryland and raise broiler chickens for one of the participating Delmarva poultry companies.
- Poultry manure must be transported more than seven miles from the sending farm.
- Transported poultry manure must be land applied as a nutrient source for an agricultural crop.

- Receiving farm fields are required to have a Maryland soil phosphorus Fertility Index Value of 100 or less.
- The cost-share rate is \$0.16/ton/mile for poultry manure coming from Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties.
- The cost-share rate is \$0.14/ton/mile for poultry manure coming from all other counties.
- The maximum cost-share in all cases is \$22.50/ton.
- Eligible crops to receive poultry manure include corn, non-legume hay, and soybeans.
- Claims must be submitted no more than 40 days from the last day of transport.
- The maximum application rates are:
 - 3 tons/ac for corn and hay
 - 1.5 tons/ac for soybeans



FastTrack Grants to Transport Dairy and Livestock Manure

Dairy and other non-poultry livestock producers with allowable soil phosphorus levels (MD P Fertility Index Value of 100 or less) may also apply for **FastTrack** grants featuring the *haul now, apply later* option.

RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

- Manure must be transported more than 1 mile from the sending source.
- Only operations receiving the manure may apply for transport grants.
- Cost-share grants pay up to 87.5 percent of all eligible costs.
- Payment rates are based on the transport distance and type of manure, either liquid or solid.
- Receiving farm fields are required to have a Maryland soil phosphorus Fertility Index Value of 100 or less.
- Claims must be submitted no more than 40 days from the last day of transport.
- Manure must be applied to crops or hay fields containing less than 25 percent legumes.
- Grants to transport dairy and livestock manure are based on the following maximum application rates:
 - 6,000 gallons per acre for liquid/slurry manure
 - 10 tons per acre for solid/semi-solid manure

Two Easy Options

How to Apply for **FastTrack** Grants:

Our new and improved **FastTrack** grants allow poultry and livestock farmers to haul manure to their fields as soon as they need it. Choose from one of two **FastTrack** options:

OPTION 1 Farmers download a **FastTrack** application from the Maryland Department of Agriculture's website and mail the completed application to the department for cost-share approval. This is a good option for farmers who want to make sure that cost-share has been approved **before** they haul. After hauling is complete, farmers submit a claim for payment (forms can be downloaded from the website) to the Maryland Department of Agriculture.

OPTION 2 Farmers who need to transport manure to their fields right away can take advantage of the program's new *haul now, apply later* feature. This option allows farmers to submit the application and claim for payment together, **after** the load has been hauled. Farmers are advised to read the rules carefully before choosing this option, as cost-share may be reduced or denied if manure is applied to ineligible fields.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE to download **FastTrack** applications and claim for payment forms.

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