



# Agriculture Conservation Plans and Best Management Practices (BMPs)

- **Runoff Problems & Importance**

- The runoff from agricultural properties is a significant contributor to stream and groundwater pollution
- The fertilizers used and proximity of livestock/other animals to streams have a significant impact on water quality
- Implementation of BMPs such as infiltration facilities, rain barrels, swales, stream buffers, etc. can improve water quality
- In Brecknock Township, exemptions from the Stormwater Management Ordinance requirements for new impervious are possible if an Agricultural property has an approved Conservation Plan and/or Nutrient Management Plan

- **County Conservation District**

- Offers Assistance for Conservation Plans, Nutrient Management Programs, BMPs Installation & Technical Assistance,
- Multiple funding programs available for design and installation of BMPs  
<http://www.lancasterconservation.org/agfunding.php>
- Website: <http://www.lancasterconservation.org/agriculture.php>
- Contact: Jeff Hill, [jeff.hill@pa.nacdnet.net](mailto:jeff.hill@pa.nacdnet.net), (717) 299-5361 ext: 143

- **Tree Sale**

- Available around February & March of each year
- Contact Lancaster County Conservation District at (717) 299-5361 ext 5

