

**Farmland Preservation Program
Annual Conservation Compliance Certification
2015 Tax Year
Green Lake County**

Instructions

As part of Green Lake County's program monitoring, we ask that you complete this annual certification concerning your compliance.

FPP tax credit claimants can only certify that they are in compliance on their tax return if the farm either:

- (1) *Meets State Conservation Standards (NR151 and ATCP 50) listed on reverse side.*
OR
(2) *Is covered by an approved Schedule of Compliance that enables claimants to comply with state conservation standards by a specific deadline set by the County.*

If you do not know your compliance status, contact the **Green Lake County Land Conservation** office at **(920) 294-4051**.

You must **complete both sides** of this form and return by **March 18, 2016**. *If you fail to fully complete this form or do not respond by the deadline, the county may issue a notice of non-compliance under s.1.82(2), Stats. that will suspend your eligibility for tax credits.*

Landowner Information

- (1) Name of Owner: _____
(Last) (First)
- (2) Owner Mailing Address: _____
(City) (State) (Zip)
- (3) Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____
- (4) Name of Operator: _____
(Last) (First)

CHECK ONE:

- I intend to file for the Farmland Preservation Tax Credit for tax year 2015** (*attach a copy of your 2016 Nutrient Management Checklist to the upper left-hand corner of this signed form*).
- I wish to discontinue participation in the Farmland Preservation Program.** *I understand that I will become ineligible for the tax credit, and I may still be required by State Law to have a Nutrient Management Plan.*

FPP Tax Credit Claim History

- (1) Did you claim Farmland Preservation Program tax credits for the 2014 tax year? **YES** **NO**
- (2) In 2015 were there any changes to your farmland preservation property? **YES** **NO**
- (3) If yes, please check appropriate box: **BUY** **SELL** **ZONING** **OTHER**

Please explain:

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Soil and Water Conservation Standards

The following is a summary of the State Conservation Standards. If you have questions regarding the standards, or regarding your compliance with the standards, please call the **Green Lake County Land Conservation** office at **(920) 294-4051**. We will be scheduling an on farm inspection of your farm in the future.

Standards:

Cropland

Following Crop Rotations and Tillage Practices listed in your current farm Conservation Plan.

Following an Approved Nutrient Management Plan which has been submitted to County Land Conservation Office.

Livestock: Manure Storage Facilities

Manure storage facilities have been approved by the County Land Conservation Office and/or meet standards of NRCS 313.

Manure storage facilities have no visible signs of leakage or failure, and are not overflowing.

Unused manure storage facilities have been abandoned according to state standards NRCS 360.

Livestock: Clean Water Diversion

Runoff is diverted away from all feedlots, manure storage areas, and barnyards within 1000 feet of a lake, 300 feet of a stream or areas of shallow bedrock or groundwater.

Livestock: Manure Management Prohibitions

There are no unconfined manure piles within 1000 feet of a lake, 300 feet of a stream or areas of shallow bedrock or groundwater.

There are no indicators of significant discharge from a feedlot or stored manure into waters of the state.

There is self-sustaining sod or vegetation on the streambank or lakeshore in areas where livestock have access.

Certification and Signature

The landowner(s) certify that the qualifying acres are part of a farm that is in compliance with the applicable conservation standards or that compliance with the standards will be achieved.

Landowner

Date

Please return by **March 18, 2016** to:

Green Lake County
Department of Land Conservation
PO Box 3188
Green Lake WI 54941
Phone (920) 294-4051