

CNMP, CSP, EMS and Writing It Down

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Documentation!

- Diverse stakeholders watching ag as never before, leading to...
- Demand for greater accountability by farmers, leading to...
- Increasing importance of “writing it down”

Examples..

- NMP, CNMP
- PMP-Pest Management Program
- CSP-Conservation Security Program

EMS Framework

- EMS - “Environmental Management System”
- Not just one more thing to have to do, but a framework, a motivation, a system to keep track and move along

What's an EMS?

- program to organize efforts at improving environmental performance of a business
- involves thinking about, assessing, acting on, communicating, and re-evaluating progress toward better environmental stewardship
- changing environmental regulation

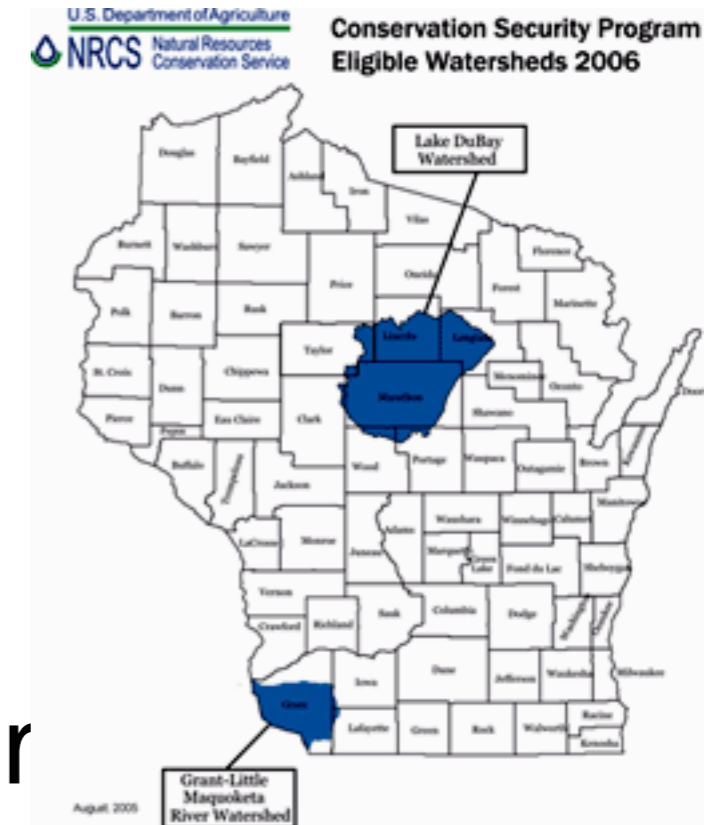
Example: Bill's EMS

- Think about ways to improve-unique to you
- Select priorities-impact and doable
- Develop action plans
- Monitor progress
- Review-each priority and EMS



CSP - Records Required

- Conservation Security Program
- 3rd year, one or two watersheds per state
- nutrient & pest management, irrigation, grazing, manure...2 years



CSP Tiers

- Three “Tiers” of possible eligibility determine rewards (length, payments)
- I - meet minimum soil and water practices for selected part of agOp
- II - as in I, but entire agOp & plan for more
- III - meet all natural resource concerns

NMP & CNMP

- NMP in WI rules; CNMP specifically aimed at animal operations
- Planning and documentation to better manage soil resource - nutrients and erosion

EMS is HQ



- CSP, NMP, PMP, CNMP alphabet soup
- Are components of an Environmental Management System--EMS
- strategist, planner, evaluator, filing cabinet

Summary

- EMS is general business tool, part of evolution of environmental regulation
- Use in agriculture beginning
 - DNR “Green Tier” and market access
- A framework in which all other planning/record-keeping (CSP, CNMP, etc.)