



EFP

Environmental Farm Plan

A major component of Growing Forward

EFP... it's a matter of caring.



What is an EFP?

Environmental farm planning is a voluntary and confidential process used by farm managers to identify environmental strengths and potential environmental risks in their farm operations, and to develop an action plan to reduce the risks. In New Brunswick the Environmental Farm Planning Program is delivered by non-governmental agencies. The **Agricultural Alliance of New Brunswick** is responsible for the delivery of EFP workshops while the **Eastern Canada Soil and Water Conservation Centre** reviews and validates the individual EFP. The program is a major component of *Growing Forward*, a federal/provincial/territorial agreement on agriculture and agri-food policy.



Why have an EFP?

For your family and workers

Ensure their health and safety by identifying and addressing environmental risks on the farm.

For your business

A growing number of your customers want to know that their food is being produced in an environmentally sensitive manner.

Reducing environmental risks can reduce your costs of production, increasing your farm's profitability.

It costs less to prevent environmental problems than it does to correct them.

With an environmental farm plan, you may be eligible for federal and provincial funding and technical assistance to help address risks and/or increase benefits to the environment.

For your community

Recognize the potential impact and benefits of agricultural practices on soil, water, air and biodiversity in your community.

For your industry

Show the public that environment matters in agriculture and that you are actively involved.

Workshops

Workshops are being held on an on-going basis throughout the province to help you develop your environmental farm plan. For more information on EFPs and upcoming workshops in your area, please contact:

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