

CONSERVATION DISTRICTS TO EMPLOY ADEQUATE FIELD PERSONNEL TO ASSIST FARMERS IN THE PREPARATION OF SOIL CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY PLANS.

(B) IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND RESOURCES THROUGH THE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS TO ASSIST FARMERS IN PURSUIT OF SOIL CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY PLANS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE.

(C) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO EMPLOY NOT LESS THAN 110 FIELD PERSONNEL IN THE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS UNDER THIS TITLE.

8-704.1.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "SERVICE" MEANS THE POULTRY LITTER MATCHING SERVICE.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CREATE A POULTRY LITTER MATCHING SERVICE.

(C) THE PURPOSE OF THE SERVICE IS TO DEVELOP TRANSFER PROGRAMS AND MARKETING TECHNIQUES TO PROMOTE AND FACILITATE THE TRANSFER OF POULTRY LITTER.

(D) THE SERVICE SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE POULTRY LITTER TRANSPORTATION PILOT PROJECT SET FORTH IN § 8-704.2 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(E) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION.

Subtitle 8. Nutrient Management [Certification and Licensing].

8-801.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

~~(B) "CERTIFIED NUTRIENT APPLICATOR" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO MANAGE THE APPLICATION OF ANIMAL WASTE, COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER, SLUDGE, OR OTHER NUTRIENTS TO SOIL IN A MANNER THAT PREVENTS POLLUTION AND MAINTAINS AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY.~~

~~(b)~~(c) "Certified nutrient management consultant" means an individual certified by the Department to prepare a nutrient management plan.

~~(c)~~(d) "Nutrient management plan" means a plan prepared under this subtitle by a certified nutrient management consultant to manage the amount, placement, timing, and application of animal waste, commercial fertilizer, sludge, or other plant nutrients to prevent pollution BY TRANSPORT OF POTENTIALLY BIOAVAILABLE NUTRIENTS and to maintain productivity.