

## Nutrient Management Requirements for Farms with Less Than 300 NU

### A CFFO Policy Statement

- Whereas** there continue to be too many changes in the approach to nutrient management;
- Whereas** the approval process verges on government micromanaging the business of farming;
- Whereas** the majority of the small farms that will need a nutrient management strategy (because they need a building permit for expansion or modernization) involve owner-operators who earn the majority of their income off-farm and therefore cannot simply enroll in lengthy processes;

#### **Therefore be it resolved**

- That** there not be any cost for a farmer to be certified to complete a nutrient management strategy;
- That** certification for a nutrient management strategy be simplified to one half day activity at most;
- That** approval of a strategy be done by local peer review not centralized by OMAFRA.

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