



Canada-Ontario Farm Stewardship Program (COFSP)

is the cost-share program associated with the Canada-Ontario Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) and can help you boost economic, production and environmental performance on your farm. COFSP and EFP are supported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs through the Growing Forward Best Practices suite.

What to expect for the 2012 cropping year:

- Project Proposal Applications (PPA) will be available through the Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA) on September 15, 2011;
- Projects started on or after September 15, 2011 may be eligible for cost-share;
- All farm businesses with either livestock or poultry as a primary commodity must have a Premises Identification (PID) Number for the parcel of land where the project is proposed, and submit a copy of the PID certificate, issued by OnTrace, with the PPA. To register, contact OnTrace at www.ontraceagrifood.com or by calling toll-free 1-888-388-7223.
- The Best Management Practice categories and cost-share funding caps remain the same as the previous year, and are described in the COFSP brochure dated September 2010.

Speak to your local **OSCIA Program Representative** for details, or consult the OSCIA web site at www.ontariosoilcrop.org, or contact the OSCIA Guelph office at **1-800-265-9751**.

