

### **Applicant's Self-Certification of Eligibility**

For the purposes of the Virginia Agricultural BMP Cost-Share Program, agricultural land shall be defined as "land being used in a BONA FIDE program of agricultural management and engaged in the production of agricultural, horticultural or forest products for market". The real estate must consist of a minimum of five contiguous acres and have verifiable gross receipts in excess of \$1,000 per year from the production or sale of agricultural, horticultural or forest products produced on the applicant's agricultural land for each of the past three years.

Districts may request that applicants provide proof of agricultural production. To be considered an agricultural producer, there must be an annual minimum of \$1,000 of agricultural products being produced, sold, or both from the applicant's agricultural land (non-industrial private forest lands are exempt from the \$1,000 requirement). Any financial records supplied by an applicant to verify eligibility will not be duplicated or retained by the District.

I have read, understand, and certify that I meet the above defined qualifications to participate in the Virginia Agricultural Best Management Practice Cost-Share Program.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date