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Agricultural Environmental Management Grant Opportunity

The Schoharie County Soil and Water Conservation District is preparing a grant application that would fund environmental management practices for farms that have a Tier 3 Agricultural Environmental Management Plan in place. With the assistance of NY Department of Agriculture and Markets, funding has been made available to assist in the implement best management practices. These practices improve the water quality of the county. The farm must be participant in the AEM program with the ability to cost share the practice within the 2-year contract timeline.

Schoharie County Soil and Water Conservation District leads in the implementation of the Agricultural Environmental Management (AEM) program. AEM is a voluntary, confidential, locally-led, and comprehensive approach that further advances environmental management on farms, across all sizes and commodities. This program delivers technical support and financial incentives needed to help farmers to implement conservation practices critical to the protection of water quality and other natural resources. AEM helps to ensure that New York's farms remain viable and continue to meet their business objectives in an everchanging market place.

Farms seeking more information, or an application for funding, should call the District at 518-823-4535 or email l.kuehnle@schoharieswcd.org. Applications are due October 25 at 4:30 pm.

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