

## **York County Conservation District HELP-Streams Cost Share Program Guidelines**

- Cost share on practices that are needed to meet their conservation plans (i.e., stream bank rehabilitation, bank protection and gravel bar removal). Modeled after former A.C.P. program.
- Maximum 75% cost share not to exceed design estimate or cost list.
- One practice or a group of practices that address one concern.
- Plans and designs should be complete or in final stages prior to application.
- Applications received continuously and funded until money is exhausted.
- Application submitted for board approval. Applicant must be the landowner and a cooperator.
- Final contract agreement also will be approved by the board.
- Should be a short turn around from contract signing to practice implementation (within six months). Practice implementation time frame dependent on funding source expiration.
- Contract amount is maximum receivable funds. Want to prevent amending contracts.
- Must get three written quotes on projects that are estimated over \$5,000. Highly recommend getting quotes if project's estimated cost is less than \$5,000.
- Landowner-contractor agreement will be provided. Landowner's choice to use it.
- Obligated to maintain the practice for five years after completion. Explain what the design lifespan of the practice should be verbally.
- General Permit GP-1 Habitat Improvement or GP-3 Bank Rehabilitation, Bank Protection and Gravel Bar Removal shall be obtained by landowner from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection prior to starting any work.