

AG. WATER QUALITY ACT



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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

FUNDING ASSISTANCE

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

FILTER STRIP

CROPS BMP #6



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Description:

A strip or area of vegetation for removing sediment, organic matter, and other pollutants from runoff.

AWQA Minimum Requirements:

Maintain an adequate strip width or area of vegetation to remove sediment, organic matter, and other pollutants from runoff and wastewater.

Consider NRCS [Practice Code 393 Filter Strips](#) for minimum distances applicable to your farm.

Recommendations:

Follow the Cooperative Extension Service recommendations for establishing vegetation.

Filter strip width should consider slope, nutrients used, and crop being grown.

Technical References

University Publications

- [University of Kentucky College of Agriculture Extension publications](#)

USDA/NRCS Publications

- [Practice Code 393 Filter Strip](#)

Funding Assistance Options

State Cost Share

- See your local Conservation District to [apply](#).

Kentucky Ag. Development Fund (KADB/KAFC)

- Select from available program options [here](#).

NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

- Select from available program options [here](#).

Important Considerations

Water Quality Benefit (🌊-🌊🌊🌊🌊): 🌊🌊
(KEY: 🌊=good, 🌊🌊🌊🌊=best: see [STEPL Model](#))

Wildlife Benefits:

- Contact the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife's [Habitat Improvement Program](#) on how to improve wildlife habitat with select BMPs (1-800-858-1549).