Determining the Relative Reductions of BMPs in the Phase II WIPs

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Objectives

- Identify the most common BMPs described in the Phase II Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs).
- Identify the BMPs with the greatest reductions in nitrogen, phosphorus and sediment described in the Phase II WIPs.

Method

- Create a NO ACTION Scenario.
- Determine reductions from Phase II WIP Scenario compared to NO ACTION.
- Isolate each BMP in a separate scenario using Scenario Builder processing rules.
- Determine reductions from the isolated BMP scenario to the NO ACTION.
- Compare the reductions from the isolated scenario to those from the Phase II WIP to determine a percent share of the reductions attributable to each BMP.

DISCLAIMER

- This type of analysis can ONLY tell us the relative benefits of BMPs for the Phase II WIP with a given set of land uses, animals, nutrient inputs, BMPs, etc.
- Any change to any of the above would lead to different results.

BMP Acres in Phase II WIPs Watershed-wide

ВМР	Acres
Conservation Plans	6,811,304
Enhanced Nutrient Application Management	2,082,419
Other Conservation-Till	2,002,283
Decision Agriculture	1,143,587
Cover Crop	1,136,034
Nutrient Application Management on Pasture	1,033,992
Nutrient Application Management on Crop	995,989
Prescribed Grazing	948,389
Land Retirement	609,407
Liquid & Poultry Injection	371,823
Continuous NoTill	321,901
Commodity Cover Crop	307,143
Precision Intensive Rotational Grazing	286,210
Forest Buffers	277,913
Crop Irrigation Management	251,767

BMP Units in Phase II WIPs Watershed-wide

ВМР	Measurement	Units
Dirt&Gravel Road E&S	feet	28,929,712
Urban Stream Restoration	feet	2,332,664
NonUrban Stream Restoration	feet	1,128,757
Manure Transport Outside CBWS	tons	572,999
Street Sweeping	lbs	9,628,448
Livestock+Poultry Waste Management Systems	AU	2,772,306
Livestock+Poultry Mortality Composting	AU	71,664
Septic Denitrification	systems	266,978
Septic Connections	systems	232,085
Septic Pumping	systems	141,963