

Nutrient Management Direct Pay Rates

Special Rates for PY 2026



The below rates are for **Program Year 2026 ONLY**. That is **July 1, 2025- June 30, 2026**. They are for plans written in the Online Nutrient Management Plan Writing App (the Module) for the **FIRST TIME** i.e. they had previously been written in NutMan or have not been in nutrient management. The rates cover new and revised plans.

Acres digitized by the DCR are not eligible.

TABLE A: Crop Plans Entered for the First Time in Online Nutrient Management Planning Module

Per Acre Rates	Program Activity
\$4.00	Revised Plan acres
\$5.00	New* Plan acres
\$6.00	New* Plan acres within Bay Counties that are Target*** counties

TABLE B: Animal Plans Entered for the First Time in Online Nutrient Management Planning Module Rates for PY 2026**

Per Acre Rates	Program Activity
\$5.00	Updated or Revised Plan acres
\$8.00	New* Plan acres
\$10.00	New* Plan acres within Bay Counties that are Target*** counties

TABLE C: Enhanced Nutrient Management for Plans in Contract Year 2 or Year 3 Currently in Online Planning Module

Number of Acres	Rate
1 - 399	\$100.00
400 - 999	\$200.00
1,000 or more	\$300.00

*Acres never having been in a nutrient management plan or has not had a plan for 18 months.

** Animal Plan is a farm where manure generated on-farm is collected and stored/spread on fields. Use of "imported" manure spread on fields is identified as a "Crop Plan".

*** Target Counties in the Chesapeake Bay: Augusta, Shenandoah, and Rockingham