

## **INTRODUCING NEW OR REVISED BMPs TO A COST SHARE PROGRAM**

The commission encourages the continued search for new and innovative means to meet the cost share program's purpose in North Carolina. Cost share programs are vehicles for introducing new and improved BMPs that will protect the State's surface and ground waters.

The commission holds that a standard procedure for introducing a new BMP or a revised BMP to a cost share programs should be as follows:

1. Program committee members, or districts, or individuals interested in a new BMP should submit to the division:
  - a. Name and definition of the BMP
  - b. Support information on the need for the BMP
  - c. Substantiation that the BMP meets the intent of the cost share program
  - d. Justification for the average cost of the BMP
  
2. The Division will:
  - a. Review documentation for the new or revised BMP
  - b. Present in conjunction with the originator to the committee
  - c. Present the committee's recommendation (with sufficient support information) to the commission
  - d. Notify the districts of the commission's determination of approval, denial or further study
  - e. Revise average cost lists to reflect new or revised BMP information
  
3. Recommendations of the program committees may be appealed to the commission upon written request to the commission and approval by the commission.