

\$mart Soils - Nutrient mapping program

Expressions of interest are sought for farmers to get involved in a nutrient mapping program. This program aims to support farmers to make informed fertiliser decisions to reduce nutrient loss off farms. Information gained from soil testing and independent agronomic advice will ensure fertiliser and profits stay on the farm.

The program is part of the Sustainable Agriculture strategy of the Regional Estuaries Initiative, made possible by Royalties for Regions. The Initiative aims to support the long-term health of regional estuaries.

Eligibility

The program is open to grazing enterprises in the Peel Harvey, Leschenault, Geographe, Lower Blackwood, Scott River, Wilson and Oyster Harbour catchments with >40 ha of cleared arable land.

In 2016, preference will be given to those farmers who have not previously been involved in similar programs.

Opportunity and benefits

If you join the \$mart Soil program you will receive:

1. Subsidised soil testing across your whole farm
2. Colour nutrient maps showing nutrient surpluses and deficiencies
3. An opportunity to receive agronomic advice to interpret nutrient maps

The program aims to benefit farmers by reducing fertiliser costs while maintaining farm productivity. Reducing nutrient loss off farms is a win-win for the farmer and the waterways.



Get involved!

Get an Expression of Interest (EOI) form by contacting the Department of Agriculture and Food at nutrientmapping@agric.wa.gov.au or by phoning Peta Richards on 97770144.

EOIs close on 26 August 2016.



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