BMP Implementation Costs
In
The Skaneateles Lake Watershed

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Skaneateles Lake Watershed Farms

Dairy

Livestock

Cash Crop

Combination
Planning Standards

Unfiltered Water Body

Drinking water supply for Syracuse

Emphasis on reducing sedimentation

High soil management costs

Above average plan complexity
Dairy Farm Characteristics

Vast range of dairies
65 cows to 1,000 cows

Average size dairy in “study”
323 cows

Median dairy
110 cows
BMP Costs
Barnyards
Soil Management
Pasture Management
Barnyard BMP Cost Measures

Average Cost

Average Cost per cwt.

Median Cost

Median Cost per cwt.
SLWAP Barnyard Costs
Barnyard BMP Costs

Average Cost
$85,528

Average Cost per cwt.
$2.58

Median Cost
$76,838

Median Cost per cwt.
$2.09
Soil Management Costs

Average Cost
$95,591

Average Cost per cwt.
$1.77

Average Cost per Acre
$98.10

Median Cost
$57,870

Median Cost per cwt.
$1.71

Median Cost per Acre
$104.60
Pasture BMP Costs

Average Cost
$34,785

Average Cost per cwt.
$1.50

Median Cost
$35,150

Median Cost per cwt.
$1.06
Preliminary Ag and Markets Study
NYSDAM Survey

651 Surveys 428 Returned Surveys

$0 to $20,000 14 Farms

$20,001 to $100,000 170 Farms

$100,001 to $200,000 140 Farms

$200,001 to $350,000 72 Farms

$350,001+ 32 Farms