4R NUTRIENT STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL PILOT VOUCHER PROGRAM



NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANNING VOUCHER

WHO:

Agricultural Retailers who are currently 4R Certified and in good standing *or who are interested in* becoming 4R Certified are eligible for a Nutrient Management Planning Voucher.



Qualifying retailers can apply for a voucher through the Nutrient Stewardship Council for work performed to deliver nutrient management plans through the H2Ohio program.

Voucher Rate: \$0.75 per acre for acres outside the Western Lake Erie Basin only.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

Non-4R-certified retailers must begin the certification process before being eligible for funds. Half of the \$0.75/acre rate will be paid when the retailer begins the certification process. The remaining funds will be paid to the retailer when their certification is complete.

The pilot program is capped at \$75,000 (100,000 acres) for the first year. This program will reserve \$25,000 of the project funds for those newly 4Rcertified facilities until July 31st, 2024. Any remaining funds at this date will be released to all 4R Certified NSPs on a first-come, first-serve basis.

All submitted acres will be verified with the Ohio Department of Agriculture before voucher payment.

All submissions must be done at <u>www.4rcertified/voucher_program</u>.

Direct all questions to Aaron Heilers, Executive Director of the Nutrient Stewardship Council: <u>aheilers@oaba.net</u> and/or 937-726-7506