

27—16.8(161A) Project threshold application requirements.

16.8(1) *General application requirements.* Project applications shall include the demonstration, outreach, and education objectives of the project and the plan for implementation; project costs, including the estimated cost of each measure to be implemented for each year of participation; anticipated landowner contributions; requested cost-share match; and expected contributions from project participants. Personnel needs and contributions should be outlined.

16.8(2) *Landowner interest.* An assessment of the interest and participation of the eligible applicants shall be included. A majority of the eligible applicants must reside or own land in the demonstration project. Collaborative participation by eligible applicants in the same identified subwatershed will be viewed favorably.

16.8(3) *Project maintenance.* Measures to be taken to ensure the long-term viability of the project through maintenance agreements, easements, or other such measures will be outlined in the agreement.

16.8(4) *Time frame.* The time frame for implementation will be identified in the application and set out in the agreement.

16.8(5) *Project evaluation.* The criteria for evaluation plans will be identified in the request for applications, and an evaluation plan will be contained in the project application.

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