

**Instructions for PA DEP
Nutrient Credit Nonpoint Source Verification Request Form
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Verification is the second step in the credit generation process. Submission of this form documents that a certified pollution reduction activity was implemented. Approval means DEP agrees, upon reviewing the submitted documentation, that the pollution reduction activity(ies) generated the requested credits during the compliance year. Submit the verification request form and supporting documentation to:

RA-EPPANUTRIENTTRAD@pa.gov

1. Contact Information

- A. **Verification Request Submitter:** Enter the name of the entity submitting the request (the credit generator or the aggregator¹ submitting on behalf of the credit generator, if applicable).
- *If John Smith owns John Smith Farms, Inc., enter "John Smith Farms, Inc." in this field.*
 - *If Nutrient Trading Corporation is submitting paperwork on behalf of John Smith Farms, Inc. (acting as an aggregator), enter "Nutrient Trading Corporation" in this field.*
- B. **Aggregator¹ Information:** If an aggregator is submitting this form on behalf of a credit generator, enter the contact information for the aggregator. If provided, this will be the primary contact information used for communication regarding this verification request.
- *If the owner/operator (John Smith) is submitting the paperwork for John Smith Farms, Inc., leave this section blank.*
 - *If George Jones who works for Nutrient Trading Corporation is submitting the request on behalf of John Smith Farms, Inc., enter George Jones' name, title, address, phone, and email.*
- C. **Credit Generator Information:** Enter the nonpoint source credit generator current certification ID (3-digit number assigned by DEP); NPDES permit number; and facility location, basin (Susquehanna or Potomac), and contact information. Examples of data entered include:
- *Certification ID: "123"*
 - *NPDES Permit Number: "PA1234567"*
 - *Site Name: "John Smith Farm"*
 - *Site Location: the county, municipality, basin ("Susquehanna" or "Potomac"), and the mailing [or location] address of the farm*
 - *Responsible official or contact: "John Smith"; John Smith's phone, title and email would be entered in the remaining fields*

2. **Total Credits Requested:** Enter the total nitrogen and/or phosphorus credits that this credit generator submitted for verification. Enter the beginning and end years of the compliance year during which the credits requested for verification were generated.

- *For compliance year 2018, the dates are October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.*

¹ An aggregator is a person that arranges for the sale of credits generated by another person, or arranges for the credits to be certified, verified, and registered.

3. Nonpoint Source Generator Totals:

PRA Amount: Enter the numeric value of the amount of Pollutant Reduction Activity (PRA) implemented to generate credits

PRA Units: Enter the units for the numeric value of the PRA

Examples:

- *If 246 acres of cover crops were used to generate credits, "246" would be entered in the Cover Crops row for PRA Amount, and "acres" would be entered in the row for PRA Units.*
- *If 13,400 tons of poultry litter was exported to generate credits, "13,400" would be entered in the Poultry Litter Export row for PRA Amount, and "tons" would be entered in the row for PRA Units.*

4. **Verification Request Supporting Documentation:** For nonpoint sources, this includes a calculation spreadsheet(s) and self or third-party verification, in addition to other documentation. Depending on the generator, additional documentation may include manure hauling records, laboratory analyses, photos, nutrient management plans, nutrient balance sheets, photos, maps, and any other documentation sufficient to demonstrate that the PRA was properly implemented during the compliance year.
5. **Eligibility Requirements:** Eligibility requirements listed in [25 Pa. Code § 96.8 \(d\)](#) were met to receive certification approval. Check the appropriate box to indicate if those eligibility requirements were met during the compliance year that the credits were generated.
6. **Signatory Block:** This form must be submitted with a signature. Print the name of the submitter/responsible official. Enter the date the verification request form was signed. Sign and scan the form for submission.

If you have any questions, please contact DEP's nutrient trading program:
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