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Larry

Thank you for sending the slides. I would like to talk to you sometime about the map used for Part 1. In my opinion the DNR map is flawed. I don't believe all the areas on that map are truly vulnerable. On our farm we have put the shallow bedrock areas into grass either pasture or waterways. With the current map farmers don't get credit for the good things we are doing or any incentive to improve. I also have a problem with the penalty for being in the vulnerable area. Where is the science that banning fall application will or will not make any difference to the amount of nitrates in the groundwater. The U of M has stated that fall applied Anhydrous will result in the highest yields. Farmer logic tells me that fall applied N is better than spring. Part 2, I like that you prove a problem exists before action is taken. At this point I would suggest the Part 1 is dropped and move forward only with part 2. Or at least take the map out of the rule and work on definitions so vulnerable areas can be improved and rewarded.

Thanks
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Hi Glen, I've attached the slides for the draft Nitrogen Fertilizer Rule presentation in Marshall as you requested.

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