

TEST YOUR FARM'S WATER

WHAT'S YOUR
STRATEGY?

Are YOU losing nutrients in
runoff water?

FREE, CONFIDENTIAL water testing

This program was designed to engage farmers in the nutrient and water quality issues facing agriculture by providing information on possible nutrient losses from their production operations.

These results are simply a snapshot in time of ambient nitrate levels in water collected from tile drainage, surface runoff or nearby streams.

Nutrient levels in runoff water can vary greatly depending on the time of year, temperature, rainfall and in-field practices.

Test on the following date:

Tuesday, May 17

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the

Hancock County Farm Bureau Office

For more information contact the Hancock County Farm Bureau at 217-357-3141 or the Hancock County SWCD at 217-357-2188 Ext 3.

Sampling Instructions

- ❖ Sample containers should be clean and free of any residual chemicals or detergents.
- ❖ Samples need to be at least 8 ounces.
- ❖ Samples should be taken as close to the testing time as possible (preferably within 48hrs) and kept refrigerated if not being tested immediately.
- ❖ An estimate of flow will allow additional calculations (load in lbs/day) – simply record seconds it takes to fill up a 5 gallon bucket and the number of acres the tile drains.

