

Conservation Planner Certification Course Requirements

Certification Courses	
Overview of Water Quality Resource Assessment	COVLC/NRCS AgLearn
Nitrogen Management and Concerns	COVLC/NRCS AgLearn
Phosphorus Management and Concerns	COVLC/NRCS AgLearn
Sediment Management	COVLC/NRCS AgLearn
Water Bodies	COVLC/NRCS AgLearn
Pest Management and Water Quality Implications	COVLC/NRCS AgLearn
Water Management	COVLC/NRCS AgLearn
Pesticide Management Orientation	
or currently certified as in any category as a Virginia pesticide applicator	VT Online/VCE
Virginia Water Concerns	COVLC
DCR Nutrient Management Soil Science, Soil Fertility and Crop Production School or currently NMP-certified in	
Virginia	DCR
Basic Soil Loss Calculations (RUSLE 2 or other approved method)	NRCS/Contractor
Perennial Stream Identification	Contractor
Virginia Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species Protection	DNH and DWR
Virginia Cultural and Historic Resources Protection	DHR
Conservation Selling Skills	Contractor
Virginia Agricultural BMP and Cost Share Program	DCR
DCR Conservation Planning Program (Forms, Processes, and Module User Training)	
All course work above is prerequisite	DCR
Conservation Plan Review (individually in-the-field, all course work above is prerequisite)	DCR

NOTE: A conservation plan must be submitted to the Department for review and approval within 6 months of completing the DCR Conservation Planning Program coursework.