



Date: November 4, 2025
Product/material: Ag plastics (Prince Edward Island)
Re: Changes to timelines on ag plastics under review

Important announcement

Prince Edward Island's Department of Environment, Energy and Climate Action (the Department) has asked Cleanfarms to review its [Agricultural Plastic Product Stewardship Program](#) in order to adjust timelines related to financial obligations (i.e., start date for Environmental Handling Fees (EHFs)) associated with several ag plastics noted in Division 8, Section 110 of its Materials Stewardship and Recycling Regulations, EC349/14.

Division 8, Section 110 (c) defines "agricultural plastic product" as products manufactured for use in the agricultural industry and includes

- (i) low density polyethylene grain and silage bags, silage bunker covers and tarps,
- (ii) low density polyethylene bale and silage wrap, and
- (iii) polypropylene twine;
- (iv) low density polyethylene or polypropylene bags, and paper bags, whether lined with plastic, or other material or not, used for seed, pesticide and fertilizer,
- (v) high density polyethylene containers of up to 23 litres in capacity for pesticide and fertilizer, and
- (vi) bulk liquid transport products in sizes of 23 litres and greater used for pesticide and fertilizer.

Cleanfarms and the Department are currently exploring modifications that may impact companies that supply ag plastics (bale wrap, twine, silage bags, bunker cover and tarps) identified in Sections 110 (c) (i), (ii) and (iii).

Cleanfarms does not anticipate any changes to Sections 110 (c) (iv), (v) and (vi).

Impact on brand owners and retailers

Cleanfarms shared preliminary information with brand owners and retailers earlier this year about meeting regulatory requirements via Cleanfarms membership. At that time, we committed to following up with brand owners and retailers in fall 2025 regarding next steps, which includes submitting membership agreements and start dates for EHFs.

Cleanfarms is putting its fall 2025 outreach on hold until next steps are confirmed.

Impact on farmers

Both Cleanfarms and the Department are committed to ensuring that PEI farmers can continue to use existing collection sites as we work through these changes.

- Ag plastics and fertilizer bags can continue to be collected via IWMC Waste Watch Drop-off Centers (WWDC).
- There are no changes to the ag-retail based collection programs for empty pesticide and fertilizer containers, drums & totes and seed, pesticide & inoculant bags.

Additional information to follow

Cleanfarms will continue to share information with brand owners and retailers as it becomes available.

For more information

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