2005 Registration Form
Michigan Agricultural Water Use Reporting

Under the Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (Public Act 451 of 1994, as amended) farms with the capacity to withdraw over 100,000 gallons of water per day during any 30-day period for an agricultural purpose are now required to register and report their water withdrawals every year.

Please answer the following questions:

1. Is the total pumping capacity for all ground water and surface water pumps on your farm greater than 100,000 gallons per day for any 30-day period (that is, when the capacities of all the pumps on the farm are combined, can you pump more than 70 gallons per minute?) Do not include pumps that are used solely to supply domestic water for your homestead.

_____Yes (continue to question 2) _____No (skip question 2, sign and return the form)

2. If you answered yes to question one, please check which one of the following two reporting options you would prefer:

_____Register with the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) and submit a water withdrawal reporting form, called an "Agricultural Water Use Conservation Plan," by April 1, 2006. No filing fee is required with this form. The MDA will combine your reported information with other reporting farms in your township and submit the totals by township to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ).

_____Register directly with the MDEQ and submit a standard water use reporting form and $100.00 filing fee by April 1, 2006. This information will be recorded for your individual farm instead of being aggregated into a township total.

MDA and MDEQ water use reporting forms are available by clicking here. If you register with the MDA by December 2005, forms will be mailed to you in December 2005 at the address you list below.

Please complete the information below, sign, date and return it to the Michigan Department of Agriculture, Water Use Reporting Program, Environmental Stewardship Division, P.O. Box 30017, Lansing, MI 48909 or by FAX to (517) 335-3329. Thank you for your cooperation.

_____Print Name _____Date

_____Signature

_____Address

_____City, State, Zip

_____email

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