



## *President's Message*



Greetings,

Well another growing season is near it's end. To say this year was challenging might be an understatement. From a devastating frost this spring, flooding, extreme heat and drought conditions this summer. Add to that labour issues, it is not getting any easier to earn a living farming.

Government must seriously work at providing resources and programs that help all farmers make it through these weather extremes that we seem to be experiencing. Government must also realize that the Temporary Foreign Worker Program and Seasonal Agriculture Worker Program will be crucial for a lot of our operations. They must make it easier and not harder for us to access these workers. It will make the difference if we want to grow and expand our operations.

Again I must commend the staff and board for their dedication to the cause. As you will see in the activities report, the office was been hard at work.

I know there are so many issues to talk about that we could probably write a book. The Alliance will continue to work hard at positive changes for the industry.

I remind everybody to please attend the regional meetings this fall. A lot of work goes into preparing these meetings. It is very important that the Alliance hears from you and your issues so we can keep working on its members behalf.

Thanks to all our members for their continued support and we hope to see you at the regional meetings and at the AGM this January.

Sincerely,

Christian Michaud



The AgriStart NB website was launched last June to connect prospective farmers with a “one-stop shop” to help them investigate opportunities in the sector.



The website provides information on available government programs, equipment, labour and training, commodities and markets. It also has an on-line directory that will bring together people looking for farms and farmland and those leasing or selling it.

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**Do not forget to visit the farm land inventory directory section and list your farm/land for sale or lease**

## THANK YOU!

A big thank you to all our 2018 Open Farm Day participants for opening their doors again this year. Your time and energy spent during this day is greatly appreciated. We wouldn't be able to host this event without you. We are thrilled to have such wonderful advocates in New Brunswick

## Fall EFP Schedule

Last two weeks of September: **Region 3 South-East**  
First two weeks of October: **Region 4 Central South/Sussex**  
Last two weeks of October: **Region 5 Central**  
First two weeks of November: **Region 1 North-West**  
Last two weeks of November: **Region 2 North-East**  
First two weeks of December: **Region 6 Central West/Wicklow**

"After the dates shown above, no other EFP updates or workshops will be given until early 2019. If you require assistance updating your plan or preparing your plan for the first time, please contact EFP Coordinator Camille Coulombe at the Agricultural Alliance office at [efp-pfe@fermenbfarm.ca](mailto:efp-pfe@fermenbfarm.ca) or 506-452-8101."

### Attention AANB Members!

A reminder that as an Alliance member, you have access to Fleet discount pricing on Chrysler vehicles throughout the province of NB and Canada!

With proof of valid membership, you could save up to \$12,000 on the list price when purchasing a Chrysler/Dodge vehicle.

For additional information on models available for the discount and to obtain the Fleet discount number you can visit our web site at [www.fermenbfarm.ca](http://www.fermenbfarm.ca)

Questions? Call the Alliance office at (506) 452-8101 or email [alliance@fermenbfarm.ca](mailto:alliance@fermenbfarm.ca)

### LeadAtlantic

The new LeadAtlantic certificate program's registration deadline has changed from August 31st, 2018 to September 30th, 2018!

New!!! Hotel accommodation costs are included in participants' tuition (up to 10 days).

Check out what else this program has to offer!

<https://www.dal.ca/.../ag.../extended-learning/leadatlantic.html>



## Connect with a Farmer at The Fredericton Coop

The Fredericton Coop is looking for local producers to participate in a first-ever "Connect With a Farmer" event during Coop week in October! Looking to inspire consumers about local food? Now is your chance! We are looking for 15 to 20 producers to come showcase their products to Coop members during this family friendly expo-style event. You supply the products; we supply the rest! What better way to engage people about food than interacting with the community and educating them about their purchasing power. We strive to support as many local farmers as possible and want to create new business opportunities too. Together, we can proudly supply a better food selection for New Brunswickers.

Interested in taking part in this event? Want to see your products on Coop's shelves? Call Paul King at the Fredericton Coop at 506-453-1300



*Friends & Values*  
*De bons amis, de vraies valeurs*

The Alliance Board of Directors has been meeting with the various party representative to share our priorities over the last few months:

## **Agricultural Land Preservation &**

### **Protection:**

- Implementation of the Agriculture Land Policy to provide enforcement capacity
- Changes to FLIP, including de-registration of land that was stripped of topsoil
- Implementation of an Provincial Statement of Interest for Agriculture to provide equal protection of agricultural land across the province

### **Transportation:**

- Harmonization of weight limits and spring weight restrictions with other jurisdictions
- Exempt farm plated vehicles from special trip permits when travelling in other provinces
- Change the farm plate registration fees to at least the average cost of the other provinces

### **Climate Change:**

- Continuation of the exemption for the agriculture in terms of motive fuel and the farm plate fuel refund regardless if the federal government approves NB's Climate Change Act or not
- Ensure that the Climate Change Fund is accessible for carbon sequestration research, renewable technology adaptation and research for management practices reducing carbon emissions
- Ensure that our sector can take advantage of carbon offsets

### **New Entrants:**

- Continuation of existing initiatives (NB Young Farmers Forum), AgriStart website, mentorship opportunities
- Provide training and education opportunities
- Implement the proposed change to New Entrant Loan criteria to facilitate new entrant in accessing financing

## **Investment in Agriculture and Rural**

### **Communities**

- A recognition of the importance agriculture contributes to our local and provincial economy) and a commitment to increase the Department of Agriculture budget.



# 2018 Provincial Elections

## Summary of the Provincial Party's Platform

### **Liberal Party**

- Increase minimum wage to \$14 by 2022
- Extend the Strategic Infrastructure Initiative by 2 years. \$75 M per year
- Continued focus on strengthening trade relations
- Continued focus on helping small businesses by appointing a minister and reducing red-tape
- Help seasonal workers affected by the "black hole" to collect enough weeks to qualify for employment insurance
- Freeze power rates for four years for residential and small business customers
- Multi-year Economic Growth Plan to help NB businesses in staying competitive and add value to our natural resources
- Restore trades in high schools
- Modernization of labour laws to ensure New Brunswickers have at least the same protection as other Canadians
- Maintain the moratorium on fracking
- Implementation of the liberal's climate change plan while ensuring no impact on NB consumers.

### **Progressive Conservative Party**

- Join Saskatchewan, Ontario and Manitoba to fight the federal government plan to levy a carbon tax. Refund the money to taxpayers in the form of tax relief if the levy goes ahead.
- Support all efforts to reduce or eliminate trade barriers between provinces
- Update the Crown Lands and Forestry Act
- Foster private sector growth and investment in our province.
- Establish a competitive regulatory and tax system, including addressing red tape barriers
- Overhaul the Local Governance Act to give municipalities greater control, including taxation and property assessment
- Work with the other Maritime Provinces to explore ways to collaborate., Including tax and regulatory harmonization
- Establish a minimum wage framework that is adjusted based on inflation and wage growth
- Promote smart growth, clean technology development and carbon sink management by working with industries, regulators and crown corporations

### **New Democratic Party**

- Implementation of a childcare plan for children aged 5 to 12 years old in every public school in New Brunswick.
- \$15 minimum wage. An increase of \$1 every year for four years until it reaches \$15 per hour
- A review of the employment standards in the province with the goal of improving working lives, working conditions and well being of all New Brunswickers, increase the coverage of employment standard legislation to those currently excluded by the legislation and reduce the youth outmigration
- Make access to higher education more affordable for all New Brunswick students. The measures would be available to all students across Canada who choose to study in New Brunswick universities or colleges.

### **Green Party**

- "Reduce public and occupational exposure to harmful chemicals, including phasing out the release of cancer-causing pollutants by industries"
- The immediate implementation of the 2016 Select Committee on Climate Change recommendations
- "Raise the minimum wage by \$1.00 per year to \$15.25 per hour, and then index it to inflation
- Strengthening of the local economies by creating a 10% shift in consumer spending on imported goods and services to New Brunswick made products
- Developing an import substitution strategy to increase the local production of essential goods and services
- Require government departments, hospitals, schools and community colleges to increase their purchase of local goods and services by at least 10% and encourage municipalities and universities to do the same
- Implement a local food strategy with targets for increasing the ratio of local food production to food imports, and for increasing organic production
- Simplify the establishment of Community Economic Development Investment Funds and make them eligible for investments from RRSPs and tax-free savings
- Develop a bio-economy strategy that would sustainably utilize renewable resources from our forests, farms and fisheries, including processing wastes, to replace products made with oil and petrochemicals
- Immediately end the spraying of herbicides (glyphosate) on forest lands and under powerlines
- Retain the provision in the Crown Lands and Forests Act that stipulates that private woodlots should be the primary source of week supply to the mills, ensuring fair access to the wood market in NB
- Ensure that farmland ownership remains in the hands of farmers-not corporations or investment firms
- Encourage new entrants to farming by creating and supporting a continuum of education and training opportunities
- Amend the Topsoil Preservation Act to effectively prevent the stripping of topsoil
- Give farmers greater power in the marketplace by supporting marketing cooperatives and supply management systems, while exempting direct-to-consumer sales from supply management or quota restrictions
- Reform provincial food inspection regimes to enable small and medium scale food production, abattoirs, and food storage, processing and distribution enterprises
- Amend the Municipalities Act and Community Planning Act to increase the authority of municipalities

### **People's Alliance Party**

- Reform the tax system by abolishing the double tax and small business tax
- Ban glyphosate spraying on Crown Lands
- Change the Motor Vehicle Act by enacting a one-time only vehicle registration, end of front licence plates and eliminate the tax on the private sale of previously owned vehicles

### **KISS Party**

- Platform not available at the time

Cooperation in Agri-Food New Brunswick (CANB) is looking forward to serving more than 80 schools this September. To achieve this, we need you! CANB has recently hired a new procurement agent, Philippe Gervais, who is eager to speak with New Brunswick producers who are looking for an additional channel to move their products. Philippe has worked with farms of diverse types and sizes over the past four years, which he brings to this role. If you are interested in selling to CANB, we would love to hear from you! You can reach us by phone at (506) 871-2902, email [purchasing@canb.org](mailto:purchasing@canb.org), or visit our website [canb.org](http://canb.org).

**PRIVATE AGRICULTURE L1 PESTICIDE APPLICATOR CERTIFICATION TRAINING COURSE (session in English only)**

**Date:** October 18, 2018

**Location:** NBCC, 950 Grandview Avenue, Saint John

**Cost:** \$250

**For more information and to register contact:** Stephanie Mason at (506) 658-5485 or [stephanie.mason@nbcc.ca](mailto:stephanie.mason@nbcc.ca)



**Signs & symptoms**

Are you wondering if you have any signs and symptoms of Lyme disease?



**Prevention**

Wondering how to prevent tick bites?



**Diagnosis & Treatment**

Where can I get tested? What will my treatment look like?



**Questions?**

Want to know more?

Do you have Lyme disease? Do you suspect you have Lyme disease? If so please contact the New Brunswick Lyme Disease Association Inc.- LymeNB for assistance. LymeNB is a registered charity whose mission is preventing tick-borne illness while supporting and being a voice for those affected. Membership is free and open to anyone. There are currently 200 members from all corners of the province. For more information, please visit our website at [www.lymenb.ca](http://www.lymenb.ca), write us at [info@lymenb.ca](mailto:info@lymenb.ca) or call 506-447-2298.



**Incentives for Energy Costs**

With funding from both Provincial and Federal governments, NexGen has helped create a 3-Step Plan towards energy independence for all farms registered with the N.B. Farm Label Identification Program (FLIP).

**Step #1: - Energy Analytics**

This is what is referred to as a level two energy audit that includes a study of all technologies having an impact on your farm's energy costs (ie: process, motors, pumps, fans, heating, air compressors, lighting, etc.). It also includes a comprehensive financial analysis of moving through the next steps of the program.

They manage the paperwork to have 85% of the audit cost subsidized through government programs and the remaining 15% is given back to you in the form of a credit towards the next step of the program - making the actual **net-cost of this step \$0.00 (zero dollars)**.

**Step #2: - Energy Upgrades**

Once the study is completed, you can then make informed decisions on what technologies you may wish to upgrade (ie: variable speed drives, heat recovery, LED lighting, heat pumps etc.). The paperwork is filled out for you to receive up to **\$105,000 towards upgrades of your choice**.

**Step #3: - Harvesting Sunlight**

The last step in the program is to produce your own electricity and send it back to the Utility for a 1:1 credit on your power bill. In other words, you can calculate and pre-purchase your electricity at a lower rate and lock it in for the next 25 years simply by harvesting light from the sun. NexGen takes care of the paperwork needed to receive up to **\$90,000 towards a solar project**.

This three step program allows you to protect your farm from unpredictable energy costs while lowering your carbon footprint at the same time. Ultimately, making this one of the best overall economical, social and environmental decision for your farm's future!



**OBSOLETE COLLECTION CAMPAIGN 2018**

**Got unwanted pesticides or livestock medications?**

**Farmers:** safely dispose of unwanted or obsolete agricultural pesticides and livestock medications – **no charge!** Take them to the following locations on the dates noted between **9 a.m. and 4 p.m.**

**DRUMMOND**  
November 5-16  
New Denmark Trucking  
194 Station Rd  
506-473-1086

**GAGETOWN**  
November 5-16  
Appleman Farms Ltd.  
16 Fox Rd  
506-488-2147

**PETIT-ROCHER**  
November 5-16  
Chaleur Fertilizers  
558 Industrial St  
506-783-4216

**SALISBURY**  
November 5-16  
Cavendish Agri Services  
3030 Fredericton Rd  
506-372-9309

**FLORENCEVILLE**  
November 5-16  
McCain Produce  
16 McCain Produce Dr  
506-392-3229

**HARTLAND**  
November 5-16  
Hartland Agromart Ltd  
40 Industrial Dr  
506-375-4538

**SAINT ANDRE**  
November 5-16  
Grand Falls Agromart Ltd  
38 Deprés Rd  
506-473-1941

**SUSSEX**  
November 5-16  
Sussex Co-op  
25 Union St  
506-432-1841

**FREDERICTON**  
November 5-16  
Co-op Home & Farm Supply Ltd  
317 Saint Mary's St  
506-458-9308

**MONCTON**  
November 5-16  
South Eastern Farmers Co-op  
200 Collishaw St  
506-858-6600

**SAINT JOHN**  
November 5-16  
Halifax Seed Co. Inc  
664 Rothesay Ave  
506-633-2032

**PARTNERS**



*(Next Cleanfarms collection in these areas in 2021.)*

**For more information: 1-877-622-4460**

**cleanfarms.ca**

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) will expand their biometrics initiative effective December 31, 2018. In an effort to assist employers' transition to this new requirement, for the coming season,

**Service Canada is inviting Primary Agriculture employers who traditionally require temporary foreign workers in January or February to apply to the program as early as August 10, 2018.**

For additional information about the IRCC biometrics program please [click here](#).

 **Farm Credit Canada**  
Advancing the business of agriculture

 **Canada**



## Feature article

### FCC Drive Away Hunger tractors tour Canada in October

[Farm Credit Canada](#) (FCC) and its partners across the country will strive to provide five million meals for Canada's food banks as part of the 15<sup>th</sup> edition of [FCC Drive Away Hunger](#).

FCC Drive Away Hunger is FCC's flagship community investment program. Since 2004, FCC employees, customers and community partners have raised over 40 million meals.

To mark the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of FCC Drive Away Hunger, tractor tours are scheduled to take place in the 15 days leading up to October 18. Beginning on October 4, FCC Drive Away Hunger tractor tours will take place in almost all provinces. In New Brunswick, five tractor tours will collect food and donations from individuals and organizations, including industry partners and schools in the following cities: Moncton, Grand Falls, Florenceville and Woodstock.

"There are always people in our communities in need of a helping hand and no child should ever have to make it through a school day on an empty stomach," said FCC president and CEO Michael Hoffort, noting that hunger touches over 860,000 Canadians each month, many of whom are children. "That's why we are joining our industry partners and taking the fight against hunger to the schools, as well as collecting food and cash donations for Canada's food banks."

FCC also contributed \$100,000 to school meal programs of 100 schools across Canada as part of the Crown corporation's annual campaign to help alleviate hunger.

Recipient schools are selected based on need by FCC offices across Canada. The schools selected in New Brunswick are: Petitcodiac Regional School and Tobique Valley High School.

FCC Drive Away Hunger involves driving a tractor and trailer through various communities to collect food and cash donations for food banks across the country. One hundred per cent of donations go to Canadian food banks, and anyone can visit [www.fccdriawayhunger.ca](http://www.fccdriawayhunger.ca) to make a monetary donation.



# Coming events

## Regional Meetings

The Agricultural Alliance of NB's Regional Meetings will be starting late October and continue into November of 2018.

Consult our website closer to the dates for more details.

## **Scheduled dates for Regional Meetings:**

October 30 <sup>th</sup>	Region 4 (Sussex area)
November 1 <sup>st</sup>	Region 2 (Bathurst area)
November 5 <sup>th</sup>	Region 5 (Fredericton area)
November 7 <sup>th</sup>	Region 6 (Woodstock area)
November 8 <sup>th</sup>	Region 1 (Grand Falls area)
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Region 3 (Moncton area)

## **Annual General Meeting: January 17-18, 2019**

The Agricultural Alliance of NB's Annual General Meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Fredericton on January 17th and 18th, 2019. More information will follow on our website at [www.fermeNBfarm.ca](http://www.fermeNBfarm.ca).



## **Annual General Meeting January 18, 2019**

The New Brunswick Young Farmers' Forum will be hosting their Annual General Meeting January 18th, 2019 at the Crowne Plaza in Fredericton. More information to come. Consult [www.nbyff.ca](http://www.nbyff.ca) for further details.

## **1 DAY FORUM**

### **November 22<sup>nd</sup> - Fredericton**

The NB Department of Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries (NBDAAF), NB Department of Health (NBDH), Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) and Health Canada (HC) are partnering to deliver another *NB Food and Beverage Forum* this year on November 22<sup>nd</sup> in Fredericton. Like last year's Forum, the focus will be on providing an overview and answers to industry partners regarding various federal and provincial food-related regulatory and policy initiatives currently underway. More details will be forthcoming soon.

## **Farm Mechanization Show**

The Farm Mechanization Show will be held March 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Moncton, NB. For more details visit [www.farmmechshow.com](http://www.farmmechshow.com)

## Continuation of the Rural Road Enhancement Pilot Project

The Rural Road Enhancement Pilot project will continue onto next year. To improve communication with producers and establish priorities for the next three years, six regional committees composed of regional representatives from the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure, the Department of Agriculture and Alliance Directors will be formed this fall for planning next year's program.

You do not have to resubmit your road information if you have done so in the past. We continue to add non designated roads requiring grading or other maintenance and repairs. Please contact the Alliance **no later than October 15<sup>th</sup>** to provide your information. Phone: 506-452-8101 or email: [alliance@fermenbfarm.ca](mailto:alliance@fermenbfarm.ca)

## Important Information on Controlling Nuisance Wildlife

Where necessary to prevent damage to private property or injury to owners of private property or owners or occupants of private land, the Fish and Wildlife Act has a section that allows private landowners or occupants of private land or their designates to, without permits or licenses, hunt, on any day and at any time, except during the night, or trap, snare, remove or relocate on any day and at any time, any of the 35 wildlife species listed below that is found under, on or above that private land.

The wildlife that may be hunted, trapped, snared, removed or relocated under this section consists: of American crow, beaver, black rat, brown-headed cowbird, common grackle, deer mouse, double-crested cormorant, eastern chipmunk, eastern coyote, eastern flying squirrel, European starling, grey squirrel, groundhog, house mouse, house sparrow, long-tailed weasel, meadow jumping mouse, meadow vole, mink, muskrat, northern flying squirrel, Norway rat, porcupine, raccoon, red fox, red squirrel, red-backed vole, red-winged blackbird, rock dove, rock vole, short-tailed weasel, star-nosed mole, striped skunk, varying hare or woodland jumping mouse.

If landowners do not wish to control any of these wildlife species themselves, the landowner may contract the services of a licensed Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator (NWCO) who is licensed by the Department of Natural Resources to provide control services to the public for these 35 wildlife species in exchange for a fee paid by the client. The list of NWCO can be accessed [here](#).

For control actions against wildlife other than the 35 species listed above, such as turkey, bear, raven, bobcat, hawks, owls, etc., the landowner needs to acquire a Nuisance Animal Control Permit from a local district office of the Department of Natural Resources. The contact information for local district offices can be found [here](#)

Private landowners do not require either a Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator's License or a Varmint Hunting License to control turkey, bear, raven, bobcat, hawks, owls, etc., causing agricultural damage. Nuisance Animal Control Permits are usually valid for a period of 2 weeks (it can be renewed if circumstances warrant) and it has a mandatory reporting requirement. The permit will establish the type of damage being suffered by the producer; who is authorized to undertake the control action; where the control action can take place (the Parcel Identifier numbers – PIDs); as well as the control method/firearms approved for use. A standard condition would be to forfeit any nuisance wildlife killed to the local DNR District Office. The authorizing Conservation Officer can also establish additional terms and conditions on the permit if he/she determines it to be merited.

A special program to authorize extra deer hunting permits (**Nuisance Deer Management Assistance Program - NDMAP**) is available to qualifying agricultural producers who have experienced property damages on their private lands from deer activity (refer to page 7 of the newsletter) Please contact a local district office of ERD for more information regarding the NDMAP program.

Migratory birds such as ducks, geese, gulls, etc. are the responsibility of the Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS), a division of the federal Department of Environment and Climate Change Canada – ECCC, and permits to mitigate damages from migratory birds are authorized through the federal Migratory Birds Convention Act and Regulations. Please contact the Canadian Wildlife Service – Atlantic Region for more information on migratory bird damage prevention and control options.

**Atlantic Region Canadian Wildlife Service Environment and Climate Change Canada Sackville NB. Phone: 506-364-5044**

## Additional Resources:

[Wildlife Mitigation Program](#)

[Wildlife Damage Compensation Program](#)

[Fencing options to mitigate Wildlife Damage](#)

## Evaluation of the Canadian Agricultural Loans Act (CALA) program

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada is conducting an evaluation of the Canadian Agricultural Loans Act (CALA) Program, a federal loan guarantee program for Canadian producers and cooperatives to access capital.

A survey of producers is being conducted to assess awareness of the CALA Program and to obtain information on your perspectives and experiences with the CALA Program.

Participation in this survey is voluntary and your decision to participate will not affect your relationship to CALA or AAFC. All information collected will be kept strictly confidential and your responses will not be attributed to respondents.

If you experience any issues with the survey, or if you have any questions about the survey or the evaluation of the CALA Program please contact [nirojan.kulendrarajah@canada.ca](mailto:nirojan.kulendrarajah@canada.ca) or +1-613-773-1914.

Link to the survey [here](#). Link to the CALA Program website [here](#).

Please take note that the survey has been extended to October 12<sup>th</sup> 2018.

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## NEW BRUNSWICK Nuisance Deer Management Assistance Program

### 2018 FACT SHEET

- What?** The Nuisance Deer Management Assistance Program (NDMAP) will allow Registered Agricultural Professional Producers (RAPP) who have experienced economic loss due to deer damage to receive special permits authorizing hunters to harvest ONE antlerless deer. The permits are issued to hunters who are chosen by the producer to harvest deer on their property. Permits will be provided to harvest only antlerless deer, as removal of those deer will have the greatest effect on controlling local populations. The number of available permits will be determined for each property by the Department of Energy and Resource Development (ERD) on a case-by-case basis.
- When?** NDMAP permits will be valid for use by hunters only during the open deer hunting season for the local area of the property (October 1 – November 17, 2018).  
**Application dates are September 4 to October 31, 2018.**
- Why?** Deer can have significant impacts to agricultural producers. ERD is working with the Department of Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries (DAAF) to help reduce local deer densities in a manner that is safe, effective and acceptable to most residents. Allowing hunters to harvest extra deer is an efficient approach to address the issue while allowing public benefit from the resource.

#### HOW TO APPLY FOR A NUISANCE DEER MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PERMIT

Registered Agricultural Professional Producers that are eligible for the *Wildlife Damage Compensation Program* or the *Wildlife Damage Mitigation Program* (administered by DAAF) are eligible to apply:

- STEP 1** **Contact your local ERD office to express your interest in obtaining NDMAP permits for your property.** – Eligibility for the *Wildlife Damage Compensation Program* or the *Wildlife Damage Mitigation Program*, and Property Identification Numbers (PIDs) are required to apply.
- STEP 2** **Site Assessment** – Private properties greater than 1 acre with legal hunting potential are eligible. Properties may receive a site visit by ERD staff to assess for any potential safety concerns and the number of permits to be issued. Hunting will NOT be allowed within 100 meters of neighboring dwellings. Discharge distances for archery may be reduced from the landowners dwelling with the landowner's permission.  
Applications for privately leased lands must include signed permission from the landowner.
- STEP 3** **Approval** – Qualifying agricultural producers will receive written notification from ERD of the number of NDMAP permits that will be issued for their respective property (PID) and any conditions that may be applied.
- STEP 4** **Selection of Hunters** – Most landowners desire some control over who accesses their property. It will be the responsibility of the producer to select hunters to hunt deer on their property under a NDMAP permit. Producers will provide each hunter's name, address and 2018 deer hunting license number to the local ERD office to apply for NDMAPs. Once approved, eligible hunters can pick up their permit at the local ERD office.

#### NOTE:

- a. Only hunters holding a current deer hunting license are eligible for NDMAP permits;
- b. Only one (1) NDMAP permit will be issued to each hunter per year;
- c. Only one **antlerless** deer may be harvested under a NDMAP permit;
- d. The NDMAP permit is in addition to the normal one-deer bag limit;
- e. Hunters must register the harvested deer at an ERD office.

For local ERD offices, please see:

[www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/erd/natural\\_resources/content/Regions.html](http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/erd/natural_resources/content/Regions.html)

**Application ends on October 31, 2018. Processing times for applications could take up to 3 weeks, but may vary depending on volume.**