

## TMDL COST SHARE PROGRAM

A portion of the Robert E. Lee SWCD includes the Falling River TMDL watershed. TMDL stands for Total Maximum Daily Load and refers to the maximum amount of pollutants that can enter a stream before it is classified as impaired. This watershed comprises a large portion of southern Appomattox County and eastern Campbell County. Also included are Cub Creek and Turnip Creek and their tributaries.

Farmers within this area can apply for cost share funding on a number of practices that strive to improve water quality in these impaired waterways. Some of these practices include stream fencing and alternate water systems for livestock, stream crossings and hardened access, woodland buffers, and stream bank stabilization. The TMDL program will cover up to 85% of the cost of installation in addition to tax credits for the out-of-pocket costs.

Funding for the Falling River TMDL program is provided through grants from the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). For more information on the TMDL cost share program and eligible practices, contact Dave Sandman at the R.E. Lee SWCD office in Appomattox. The phone number is (434) 352-2819.