Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008

Title II, Subtitle G—Other Conservation Programs—Chesapeake Bay

- Assist Chesapeake Bay watershed producers in implementing water quality and quantity practices and restoring, enhancing, and preserving soil, air, and related resources.
- Authorized through fiscal years 2012 with appropriations of \$20 million per year.
- Acceptable conservation activities include:
 - Controlling erosion and reducing sediment and nutrient levels in ground and surface water; and
 - Implementing habitat conservation.
- Special consideration is authorized for the river basins of the:
 - Susquehanna River;
 - Shenandoah River;
 - Potomac River (north and south Potomac); and
 - Patuxent River.
- Program activities are implemented in consultation with appropriate Federal agencies and complement Federal and State programs, including programs that address water quality in the Chesapeake Bay watershed.
- Funds available include:
 - *\$23 million for FY 2009;*
 - *\$43 million for FY 2010;*
 - \$72 million for FY 2011; and
 - *\$50 million for FY 2012.*