



## **WHAT IS FARM \*A\*SYST?**

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### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

The Georgia Farm Assessment System (Farm \*A\*Syst) is an interagency partnership that provides Georgia's farmers with information and a voluntary means to become environmentally pro-active in managing their farms to prevent pollution.

### **WHAT IS THE GEORGIA FARM \*A\*SYST?**

- The Georgia Farm \*A\*Syst (Farm Assessment System) is a series of environmental assessments each addressing a specific area of environmental concern. Each assessment can be used alone or combined with a *Site Assessment* and *Overall Assessment* for a *Total Environmental Assessment*.
- Each individual Environmental Self Assessment is relatively short and should take less than 30 minutes to complete. You are encouraged to read the facts presented, identify areas of concern, develop an action plan ... and ultimately take action.
- An individual assessment allows you to evaluate the environmental soundness of your farm and operation practices in a specific area and provides valuable information, along with modifications that may be incorporated into your action plan.

Each assessment is composed of the following parts:

1. Pre-Assessment
2. Assessment
3. Assessment Evaluation
4. Facts
5. Glossary
6. Action Plan
7. Reference List
8. Publication List

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### **FARM \*A\*SYST IS A VOLUNTARY PROGRAM:**

**NO INFORMATION FROM THIS ASSESSMENT NEEDS TO LEAVE YOUR FARM.**

The Georgia Farm \*A\*Syst program is modeled after a national program that has proven to be effective at reducing pollution.

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