

PA- Supplemental Guidance

SQL-01 Controlled Traffic System –

Controlled traffic systems are not widely adopted in Pennsylvania due to smaller and irregularly-sized fields. This is not an easy activity to meet in PA. Contact Mark Goodson for a spreadsheet that will allow you to lay out all traffic patterns to evaluate the criteria and if the applicant can meet the criteria.

Before signing up SQL-01, be certain the producer evaluates all wheeled machines to be used in the system and that they can meet through the criteria. Consider wheel spacing and operational width of manure spreaders, fertilizer spreaders, haybines, balers, forage wagons, combines, tractors, sprayers, grain carts and match it with the tractor(s) that will be used to pull each one. Also include the operational width of planters and drill and their tractors.

In PA 30” single flotation tires are common on combines. If producer’s combine is equipped with wide flotation tires and that do not exceed the row spacing up to a maximum width of 36 inches and all of the other criteria are fully met, the State conservationist may allow a waiver for the wider tires on the combine. If this waiver is granted, both of the specifications under the first criteria, i.e. the not more than 50% of the row middles being traffic lanes and not more that 50% of the area having traffic should be met. If the combine is not equipped with flotation tires, the waiver should not be granted.

Cropland – System/acre

Not compatible with ANM12, ANM21, ANM22, SOE02