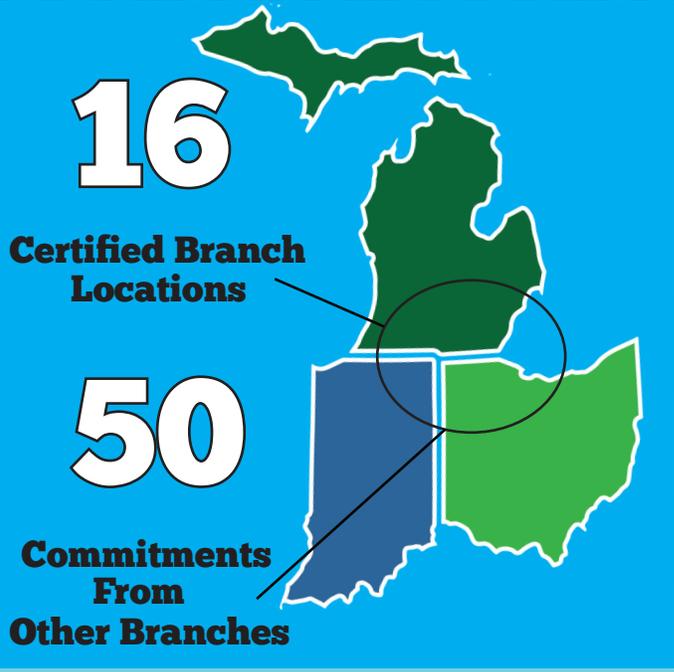


4R NUTRIENT STEWARDSHIP CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Western Lake Erie Basin - Ohio, Michigan, and Indiana



Acres serviced or applied in WLEB	636,000
Acres outside WLEB serviced or applied	477,000
Total	1,113,000
Number of Clients Served in WLEB	1,580
Clients Served Outside WLEB	1,460
Total	3,040



Voluntary Program for Agricultural Retailers & Service Providers Implementing the 4Rs



RIGHT SOURCE

RIGHT RATE

RIGHT TIME

RIGHT PLACE

GOAL

To maintain agricultural productivity while improving the quality of Lake Erie and its contributing watersheds

CERTIFICATION PROGRAM GOALS

- Maximize crop nutrient uptake and minimize losses
- Positively impact local water bodies
- Provide up-to-date information on nutrient stewardship
- Help the agricultural sector adapt to new research and technology

TRAINING & EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

- Retail and service provider staff undergo training and demonstrate knowledge of the 4Rs
- Professionals maintain current certification in good standing
- 4R update training completed every two years
- Provide 4R educational opportunities for growers

MONITORING 4R IMPLEMENTATION

- 3rd party audit of retailer and service provider 4R actions occur every three years
- Audits review training and education, recommendations to growers, and application records



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