

Greppa Näringen

Advising farmers on preventing nutrient run-off

Description and key objectives

The project carried out measures to decrease the losses of phosphorous and nitrogen from agriculture going into rivers in Gotland, Sweden's largest island, as part of an EAFRD-financed national initiative. In addition to improving water quality, better management of fertilisers and pesticides will mitigate the impact of agriculture on climate. The project aims to:

- Improve knowledge of how to decrease nutrient losses and greenhouse gas emissions.
- Cooperate with the environmental extension service in providing support for farmers.

Key achievements

- Organisation of courses, field trips and meetings targeted at farmers.
- Outsourcing of extension service to four consultancy firms specialised in different types of farming.
- Decrease of nitrogen and phosphorous losses into the Baltic Sea from Swedish farms.

Total project budget	€ 165 775
EU contribution (EAFRD)	€ 82 887.5
National contribution	€ 82 887.5

RDP Measure: Vocational training and information actions, M111 (2007-2013)

Timeframe 2011-2014

Website <http://greppa.nu/om-greppa/om-projektet/in-english.html>

