

# Buffer Nutrient Credit Yield Subcommittee Report

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# Report from Credit Yield Subcommittee

- Subcommittee Purpose:
  - Review buffer nutrient credit yield calculation
  - Discuss whether / how to modify
  - Develop recommendation to full stakeholder group

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- Two meetings held (5/4/09 & 6/4/09)
  - Reviewed current credit calculations and assumptions
    - Nutrient Export Rates
    - Drainage Areas
    - % Reduction Efficiency
  - Discussed draft calculation method and policy guidelines
  - Sought input from researchers at NCSU & Duke
    - Identified researcher concerns
    - More discussion needed

# Recommendation

- “Keep the current credit yield calculation in place for now but use site specific drainage areas contingent upon a review of actual drainage area data for existing projects. Convene a group of technical experts to examine the buffer credit yield calculation issues with the subcommittee members as a separate process.”

## *Alternate Recommendation*

- “Keep Existing credit method for now. Move ahead with ACM. Convene experts to sort out issue as separate process.”