# AEM Survey to improve existing Depth to Bedrock Maps

Addressing the NR151 Silurian Bedrock Performance Standard

USGS/WGNHS/DATCP Cooperative Grant Program 2020

### AEM – Aerial Electromagnetic Survey





~10,000 boreholes ~ \$300M Years-to-decades

17,000 km AEM data < \$1M 3 months

Connecting the dots with airborne geophysics



Preliminary data – subject to revision

### NR151 Silurian Performance Standard

 Manure may not be mechanically applied on croplands or pastures until <u>infield bedrock verification or</u> <u>Silurian bedrock map</u> information is used to identify areas where the Silurian bedrock soil depth is less than 5 feet.

	Targeted Performance Standards				
Depth to bedrock	Solid manure conditions	Liquid manure conditions			
<2' Verification Required	No mechanical application	No mechanical application			
2'-3' Verification Required	Incorporate* within 72 hrs to ≤4" depth and; At least one of the following: a) Rate ≤ 15 T, b) Within 10 d planting or established crop, c) Pathogens ≤ 500,000 CFU	Pre-tillage* and;   Inject or incorporate* ≤4" depth within 24hr and;   At least one of the following:   a) Rate is lesser of UW A2809 or Table 1,   b) Within 10 d planting or established crop,   c) Pathogens ≤ 500,000 CFU			
3'-5' Verification required	Same as above except ≤6" depth	Pre-tillage* and; Inject or incorporate* <b>≤6</b> "depth within 24hr and; Same as above			
5'-20' No Verification required	No new conditions proposed	Pre-tillage* and; Inject or incorporate* ≤8"depth within 24hr and; Same as above			

## Mapping Needs

- Limitations on existing maps:
  - Data based on well and construction reports
  - Limited data density in rural areas
  - Existing maps have boundary effects
  - Maps will change based on new data
- Current Standard puts the burden on Private Funding to improve existing maps if verification is desired



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#### **Proposed AEM Survey**

- Over 1300 miles of coverage
- Providing ½ mile spacing between flight lines
- Defining data points to ~100ft along the flight lines
- Focus on defining depth to bedrock at 5 and 20ft contours

		Grant Funding	Grant Funding			
Phase 1 Tasks		to USGS	to WGNHS	USGS Match	WGNHS Match	Total Funding
1	AEM Contract solicitation	\$5,000		\$5,000		\$10,000
2	AEM Contract selection	\$5,000		\$5,000		\$10,000
3	WGNHS - site investigations		\$26,000		\$6,000	\$32,000
4	AEM survey	\$165,000		\$165,000		\$330,000
5	AEM Data Assessment	\$20,000	\$9,000	\$20,000	\$3,000	\$52,000
6	Preliminary Data Presentation	\$20,000		\$20,000		\$40,000
	Total	\$215,000	\$35,000	\$215,000	\$9,000	\$474,000

Funding

- AEM survey costs are based on procurement process and subject to change
- Costs are based on initial funding (the more initial flight distance procured the cheaper the cost per distance)
- Mobilization costs can be \$40-50K



		Anticipated		
Phase 1 Tasks		Completion	Accomplishment	
	AEM		Contract has been develop and distributed for solicitation. The	
-	Contract		statement of work is complete, including MAP of phase 1 study	
1	solicitation	Feb 2020	area.	
	AEM			
	Contract		Contract has been awarded. The coordination of outreach and	
2	selection	Apr 2020	solicitation for additional funds are conducted.	
	WGNHS -			
	site		Additional geo-probe and geophysical analysis is complete in	
3	investigations	June 2020	selected areas and along flight test line of proposed MAP	
			Flight has been conducted and paymet for contract is complete	
4	AEM survey	Aug-Sept 2020	on phase 1	
	AEM Data		A review of the flight data as produced by the AEM contractor and	
5	Assessment	Nov-Dec 2020	reviewed with partners	
	Preliminary			
	Data		A presentation of the preliminary data assesment of AEM will be	
6	Presentation	Dec-Feb 2020-21	completed and provided to the cooperators.	

• Aggressive outreach effort

## Timeline

 Solicitating funds to extend flight coverage for initial area of interest

# Questions?

