

# **“Economics of Using and Transporting Manure”**

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***How about conservation services including manure as cost share practice conducive to nutrient monitoring and provide an avenue for manure to be used adequately on the farm?***

Josh Payne: We have observed some cost-share programs that pay the poultry producer for moving the manure outside of the watershed. We have also observed cost-share programs for treating the manure with amendments that bind soluble P. Once the on-farm soil P levels reach a certain threshold, the producer has no choice but to move the manure off-farm based on state law. We've had successful subsidies but they often get cut along with other budget cuts.

***Where did the 32.5 ppm figure come from?***

Josh Payne: 32.5 ppm is considered sufficient in Oklahoma.

***Any thoughts on pelletizing the manure for ease of transport?***

Josh Payne: This is certainly an option for consideration. However, processing costs increase costs of the final product compared to raw manure which may restrict transportation distance.