Planting for stream health



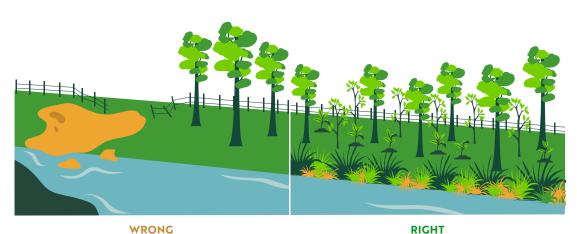
Planting along streams on your farm will help keep waterways healthy.

Why is riparian planting so important?



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Planting along streams makes the water cooler and a more consistent temperature. This creates good habitat for fish and reduces the likelihood of bad algal overgrowth.



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Filtration

Plants filter water that flows over land and into streams. For filtration to be effective, you should not have bare land underneath trees. Keep grass growing around your fencing, or plant grasses near the water's edge.





