

FREEBORN COUNTY

SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA

Thursday, September 4th, 2025, at 8:30 am
 1400 W Main Street, Albert Lea, MN 56007
 Conference Room



1. Call the meeting to order, and introduce any guests that may be present.
2. Act on minutes of August 7th, 2025, meeting – **Action item**
3. Treasurer's report and payment of bills – **Action item**
4. Certificate of Deposit/Merchants Bank renewal - **Action item**
5. Cost Share & Grant Items and/or Information.
 - I. Authorize Manager Cornell to approve time sensitive cost share contracts, until the end of the year. (Excludes RCPP). **Action item**
 - II. Have Manager Cornell complete the RFI, grant agreement and workplan for the incoming 2026 buffer grant. **Action Item**
 - III. **New Requests:**

	Project Type	Contract #	Contract Length/Unit Amount	Funding Source-Grant ID	Amount Requested	
a	Cover Crops	FY22-BUFF-02	1 year 73.5 ac.	P22-6193	\$5,145.00	Action Item
b	Cover Crops	WBIF-SW-FREE-24-19	2 year 140 ac.	C24-0197	\$16,800.00	Action Item
	Cover Crops	WBIF-SW-FREE-24-23	1 year 451.2 ac.	C24-0197	\$27,072.00	
	Cover Crops	WBIF-SW-FREE-24-24	1 year 151.8 ac	C24-0197	\$9,108.00	
c	Cover Crops	FY24-CC-03	1 year 90.3 ac.	P24-0243	\$5,418.00	Action Item
	Cover Crops	FY24-CC-04	1 year 66 ac.	P24-0243	\$3,960.00	
	Cover Crops	FY24-CC-05	1 year 95.8 ac.	P24-0243	\$5,748.00	
d	Cover Crops	FY25-CC-01	1 year 65.4 ac.	P25-0114	\$3,924.00	Action Item
	Cover Crops	FY25-CC-02	1 year 68.7	P25-0114	\$3,091.50	
	Cover Crops	FY25-CC-03	1 year 66.8 ac.	P25-0114	\$3,006.00	
	Cover Crops	FY25-CC-04	1 year 56.2 ac.	P25-0114	\$3,372.00	
e	No Till/Strip Till	FY25-CD-02	2 year 54.7 ac.	P25-0503	\$3,282.00	Action Item

IV. RCPP Batching - Action Item

6. NRCS Agency Report
7. BWSR Report
8. Supervisors Reports – meetings attended in the past month

9. Manager Report – previously emailed
 - a. Pheasants Forever Farm Bill Position Update
 - b. Request to attend The MN Association for Conservation District Employees (MACDE) Managers Meeting Sept 24-25th in St. Cloud. Expenses would include a \$20 registration plus lodging and meals -
Action item
10. Staff reports – previously emailed
 - a. Paid Family Medical Leave (PFML) 2026 update by Mestnik.
11. Collect attendance for board members attending SEMASWCD Area Meeting on October 2nd in Grand Meadow.
12. Additional items...
13. Tour of Freeborn SWCD projects.
14. Adjournment, next meeting Thursday, October 9th, 2025, at 8:30 AM