



Grant Progress Report

Conservation Contracts 2025

Grant Title: 2025 - Conservation Contracts (Freeborn SWCD)

Grant ID: P25-0114

Grantee: Freeborn SWCD

Fiscal Agent:

Grant Day-to-Day Contact: Lindsey Cornell

Grant Award (\$): \$19,271.00

Required Match (%): 0

Required Match (\$): \$0.00

Grant Execution Date: 09/26/2023

Grant End Date: 12/31/2025

	Total Budgeted	Total Spent	Balance Remaining*
Grant Funds	\$19,271.00	\$19,271.00	\$0.00
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$19,271.00	\$19,271.00	\$0.00
Total	\$38,542.00	\$38,542.00	\$0.00

*Grant balance remaining is the difference between the Awarded Amount and the Spent Amount. Other values compare budgeted and spent amounts.

Budget Details

Activity Name	Category	Source Type	Source Description	Budgeted	Spent	Balance Remaining	Match Fund?
Agricultural Practices	Non-Structural Management Practices	Current State Grant	2025 - Conservation Contracts (Freeborn SWCD)	\$18,917.50	\$18,917.50	\$0.00	N
Agricultural Practices	Non-Structural Management Practices	Other Funds	2024 - Conservation Contracts (Freeborn SWCD)	\$19,271.00	\$19,271.00	\$0.00	N
Technical &	Technical/Engineering	Current State Grant	2025 - Conservation Contracts	\$353.50	\$353.50	\$0.00	N

<i>Activity Name</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Source Type</i>	<i>Source Description</i>	<i>Budgeted</i>	<i>Spent</i>	<i>Balance Remaining</i>	<i>Match Fund?</i>
Engineering	Assistance		(Freeborn SWCD)				

Indicator Summary

<i>Indicator Category</i>	<i>Proposed Indicator</i>	<i>Total Value</i>	<i>Unit</i>
Water Pollution (Reduction Estimates)	Nitrogen	2408.34	Lbs/Yr
Water Pollution (Reduction Estimates)	Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	47.278	Lbs/Yr
Water Pollution (Reduction Estimates)	Soil (Est. Savings)	19.867	Tons/Yr
Water Pollution (Reduction Estimates)	Nitrogen	2342.1	Lbs/Yr
Water Pollution (Reduction Estimates)	Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	18.105	Lbs/Yr
Water Pollution (Reduction Estimates)	Soil (Est. Savings)	9.99	Tons/Yr

Grant Activities

Activity Name: Agricultural Practices

Activity Category: Non-Structural Management Practices **Staff time?:** No

Description: Cost share was used to compensate 5 producers for implementing single and multi species cover crops.

Budget Details

<u>Source Type</u>	<u>Source Description</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Balance Remaining</u>	<u>Last Transaction Date</u>	<u>Match Fund?</u>
Current State Grant	2025 - Conservation Contracts (Freeborn SWCD)	\$18,917.50	\$18,917.50	\$0.00	12/11/2025	N

Actual Results

<u>Results</u>	<u>Date Added</u>
The 25 conservation contracts grant was able to assist 5 producers in implementing cover crops on 354.6 acres in Freeborn County.	1/15/2026 11:39:24 AM

Final Indicators

<u>Indicator</u>	<u>Total Value</u>	<u>Unit</u>
Nitrogen	2342.1	Lbs/Yr
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	18.105	Lbs/Yr
Soil (Est. Savings)	9.99	Tons/Yr

Activity Action Name:	LadlieKyle_FY25-CC-04	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	340 - Cover Crop	Size/Units: 56.2 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	A multi species cover crop was planted across 56.2 acres in 2025.	Install Date: 09/19/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	2.452	Other	Geneva Lake
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	2.115	Other	Geneva Lake
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	327.3	Other	Geneva Lake

Activity Action Name:	ViktoraDale_FY25-CC-02	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	340 - Cover Crop	Size/Units: 68.7 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	A single species cover crop was planted across 68.7 acres in 2025.	Install Date: 10/10/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	1.249	Other	Turtle Creek
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	471.1	Other	Turtle Creek
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	3.096	Other	Turtle Creek

Activity Action Name:	AcklandMark_FY25-CC_05	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	340 - Cover Crop	Size/Units: 97.5 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	A multi species cover crop was planted across 97.5 acres in 2025.	Install Date: 09/12/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	6.502	Other	Bancroft Creek
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	772.5	Other	Bancroft Creek
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	2.872	Other	Bancroft Creek

Activity Action Name:	SchultzSteve_FY25-CC-01	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	340 - Cover Crop	Size/Units: 65.4 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	A single species cover crop was planted across 65.4 acres in 2025.	Install Date: 10/09/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	313.8	Other	Albert Lea Lake
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	2.204	Other	Albert Lea Lake
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	3.385	Other	Albert Lea Lake

Activity Action Name:	ViktoraDustin_FY25-CC-03	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	340 - Cover Crop	Size/Units: 66.8 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	A single species cover crop was planted across 66.8 acres in 2025.	Install Date: 11/17/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	1.213	Other	Turtle Creek
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	3.007	Other	Turtle Creek
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	457.4	Other	Turtle Creek

Activity Name: Agricultural Practices

Activity Category: Non-Structural Management Practices

Staff time?: No

Description: This cost share was utilized to help 5 producers implement strip till and cover crops across many acres.

Budget Details

<u>Source Type</u>	<u>Source Description</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Balance Remaining</u>	<u>Last Transaction Date</u>	<u>Match Fund?</u>
Current State Grant	2024 - Conservation Contracts (Freeborn SWCD)	\$19,271.00	\$19,271.00	\$0.00	12/11/2025	N

Actual Results

Results

Date Added

This grant was used to assist 5 producers with implementing 160 total acres of strip till and 252.1 acres of multispecies cover crops in Freeborn County.

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Final Indicators

<u>Indicator</u>	<u>Total Value</u>	<u>Unit</u>
Nitrogen	2408.34	Lbs/Yr
Soil (Est. Savings)	19.867	Tons/Yr
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	47.278	Lbs/Yr

Activity Action Name:	AusenDave_FY24-CC-01	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	329 - Residue & Tillage Management (no/strip-till)	Size/Units: 80 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	Strip till was implemented across 80 acres in 2025.	Install Date: 05/10/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	79.94	Other	County Ditch No 77
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	4.814	Other	County Ditch No 77
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	1.896	Other	County Ditch No 77

Activity Action Name:	MutschlerBlake_FY24-CC-02	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	329 - Residue & Tillage Management (no/strip-till)	Size/Units: 80 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	Strip till was implemented across 80 acres in 2025.	Install Date: 05/12/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	310.3	Other	Upper East Branch Blue Earth River
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	3.058	Other	Upper East Branch Blue Earth River
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	11.84	Other	Upper East Branch Blue Earth River

Activity Action Name:	HunnicutMike_FY24-CC-04	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	340 - Cover Crop	Size/Units: 66 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	A multi species cover crop was planted across 66 acres and was planted on 2 different fields on 9/30/2025 and 9/16/2025.	Install Date: 09/30/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	4.814	Other	Freeborn Lake - Cobb River
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	399.6	Other	Freeborn Lake - Cobb River
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	2.653	Other	Freeborn Lake - Cobb River

Activity Action Name:	SkaarMitchell_FY24-CC-03	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	340 - Cover Crop	Size/Units: 80 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	A multi species cover crop was planted across 90.3 acres. 3 different fields were planted. 1 on 9/8/2025 and the other 2 fields were planted 10/27/2025.	Install Date: 10/27/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	2.985	Other	Peter Lund Creek
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	772.5	Other	Peter Lund Creek
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	10.84	Other	Peter Lund Creek

Activity Action Name:	JohnsonChad_FY24-CC-05	Activity Count: 1
Practice Type:	340 - Cover Crop	Size/Units: 95.8 - Acres
TA Provider/JAA:	SWCD	Lifespan: 1 Year
Practice Description:	Multi species cover crop planted across 95.8 acres in 2025.	Install Date: 09/11/2025
		Mapped: Yes

Indicator Name	Units	Value	Calculation Tool	Waterbody
Soil (Est. Savings)	Tons/Yr	9.275	Other	Headwaters LeSueur River
Nitrogen	Lbs/Yr	846	Other	Headwaters LeSueur River
Phosphorus (Est. Reduction)	Lbs/Yr	14.97	Other	Headwaters LeSueur River

Activity Name: Technical & Engineering

Activity Category: Technical/Engineering Assistance

Staff time?: No

Description: Technical staff with the Freeborn SWCD will be handling the technical aspect of handling contracts within house. Field visits, certifications, and other pertinent activities will be charged to this activity.

Budget Details

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Current State Grant	2025 - Conservation Contracts (Freeborn SWCD)	\$353.50	\$353.50	\$0.00	12/31/2025	N

Actual Results

<u>Results</u>	<u>Date Added</u>
Staff spent a total of 17 hours of time on 25 conservation contracts working with producers to implement contracts.	1/15/2026 11:34:00 AM