



Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) Annual Report

2018



Staff unloaded trees from the nursery truck and sorted them out by variety.



Contractor completing a tile break for a CRP CP-23A Wetland Restoration.



Staff working on surveying a constructed project making sure it meets project requirements using Disaster Relief Assistance Program cost share dollars.



Landowner preparing the ground to plant a buffer to become compliant with the Minnesota Buffer Law requirements.

From the Chairman



This has been a trying yet exciting year for both our staff and local producers/landowners. First, the very wet weather we endured and not being able to get scheduled projects on the ground sent us scrambling to get cost share grants extended so that we may install these practices in 2019, second losing our SWCD Manager to another local SWCD. While the move brought him closer to home, it was a struggle to find a replacement and after a long search we promoted our Office Manager with plans to hire another technician to fill the staffing needs.

Our SWCD work continues with compliance of the MN Buffer Law. Most landowners have come into our office to see if they are compliant or what they need to do to become compliant. MN Board of Soil & Water Resources has made funding available to landowners to help off-set the cost of installing a compliant buffer. We had only a handful of landowners with public waters that were turned over to Freeborn County for enforcement. Phase 2 is public ditch compliance. Our staff has been working with Freeborn County staff and Turtle Creek Watershed District staff to develop a Buffer Law compliance policy which will be posted to our SWCD web page. Staff sent out letters to landowners where our office has not been able to determine compliance to come meet with us so that we may offer our assistance in becoming compliant.

Staff, along with the Freeborn County Ditch Authority were successful in applying for and securing a competitive Clean Water Fund Grant. This project will create a water storage area to decrease peak flows addressing sediment and phosphorous on County Ditch 68, Mud Lake, and Fountain Lake. Wetlands will be restored, upland buffer will be planted, and two (2) grade stabilization structure projects will be installed.

We continue to train our staff for advanced job approval authority (JAA) to be more efficient in delivering services to our local producers and landowners. With the help of Capacity funding we were able to purchase a survey grade GPS with tablet. This equipment along with training from our Technical Service Area (TSA) engineer allows our staff to do some of the preliminary survey and design on their own. We thank our legislators for their continued support.

MN Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP3) is still a very popular program even with the challenges of getting a Farm Bill passed. We had 9 new applications totaling 595.6 acres in 2018, and much more interest in applying for the program once the Farm Bill is put into motion. Other projects we completed this year include; five (5) cover crop contracts and eleven (11) buffer cost share contracts.

Two neighboring counties have applied for the Watershed Conservation Planning Initiative (WCPI) Grant, these are new positions made possible by a partnership between NRCS and BWSR. These planners will be housed at the Mower and Martin County SWCD offices and will work across county lines within their watersheds (which includes our county) to help producers develop conservation plans to better position themselves for shovel ready projects.

The Cedar River Watershed – One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) effort is well on its way in making progress on laying the foundation to a watershed-based plan. This past summer the Shell Rock River Watershed also applied and secured funding to start this process in the Shell Rock and Winnebago watersheds. The formation of a steering committee, advisory committee, and a policy board is slated to start January 2019. Our staff and supervisors will be part of this planning process.

On behalf of our SWCD Board of Supervisors, I would like to thank all the local agencies, organizations, other local units of government and individuals that work in cooperation with us to deliver conservation programs and “put conservation on the land” in 2018. They include the following:

Landowners & operators	Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance (GBERBA)
Freeborn County Board of Commissioners	Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, MN Waterfowl Assn.
Freeborn County Environmental Services	MN DNR US Fish & Wildlife, Shell Rock River Watershed District
Minnesota Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR)	Martin SWCD, Turtle Creek Watershed District, Mower SWCD
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)	Cedar River Watershed District, and others
USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA)	MN Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), MN Dept. of Ag (MDA)
SE Tech Support Joint Powers Board	Freeborn Area Soil Health Team

We hereby submit the following Annual Report of Soil and Water Conservation Activities for calendar year 2018.

Donald Kropp, Chairman

Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisor Nomination Districts



District 1
David Ausen
Treasurer



District 3
Paul Heers, Jr.
Board Secretary



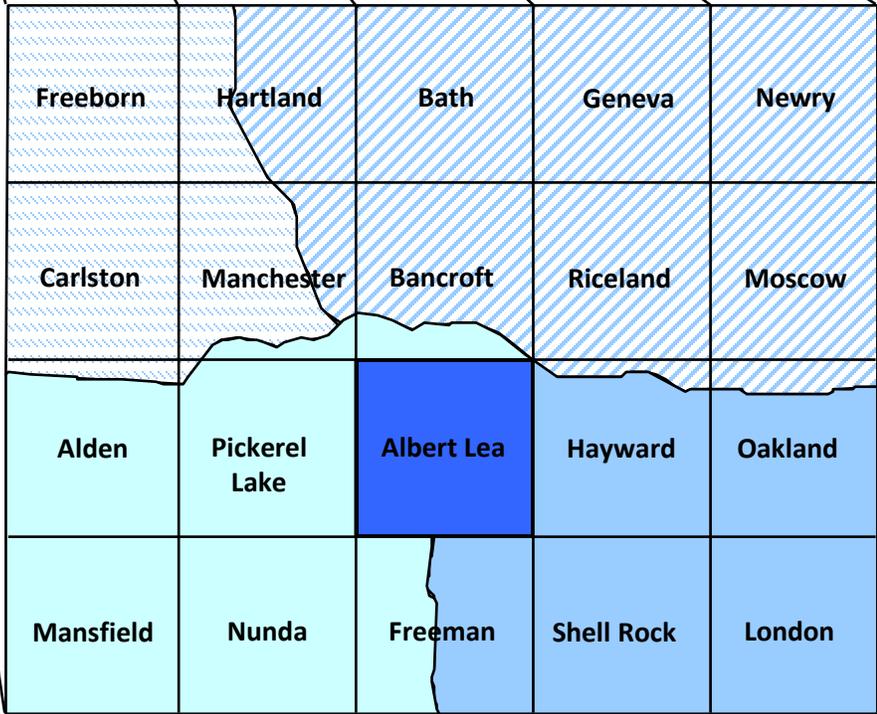
District 2
Christopher Dahl
Vice-Chairman



District 4
Colin Wittmer
Supervisor



District 5
Donald Kropp
Chairman



Services Provided by Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District

-  Engineering planning, layout and construction supervision of conservation practices such as waterways, water and sediment control basins, and grade stabilizing structures.
-  Administration of the State Cost-Share Program for conservation practices.
-  Administration of the ReInvest in Minnesota Easement Program.
-  Administration of the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) Easement Program.
-  Maintenance supervision of the Minnesota River Watershed (CREP I) area of northwest Freeborn County.
-  Farmstead and field windbreak design, species selection, tree sales, on site layout and planting equipment rental.
-  Assisting with the implementation of the Ag Best Management Practices loan program. These funds are made available through the State Revolving Fund and are administered by the MN Dept. of Ag.
-  Assisting landowners with compliance issues with the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act (WCA), which was passed in 1991. This may include reviewing maps, etc. to determine potential applicability of the Act or discussing alternatives in cooperation with the LGU and Technical Evaluation Panel (TEP) Membership.
-  Conservation compliance planning and assistance with other aspects of the current Farm Bill.
-  Consultations for the Rural Finance Authority Young Farmer Program.
-  Assisting and working cooperatively with various conservation partners.

Mission Statement:

To serve the residents of Freeborn County by creating an awareness of soil and water resource concerns, by offering practical alternatives to manage these concerns, and by providing technical assistance (as local resources allow) to apply and maintain best management practices (BMPs) that impact water quality while sustaining soil productivity and land-user profits.

Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District

SWCD Board Members:

L to R

Colin Wittmer, Supervisor
Paul Heers, Jr., Board Secretary
Donald Kropp, Chairman
David Ausen, Treasurer
Christopher Dahl, Vice-Chairman



SWCD Staff:

L to R

Lindsey Zeitler, District Tech.
Brenda Lageson, Office Manager
Mark Schaetzke, Manager/Tech.
Jarod Schamaun, District Tech.



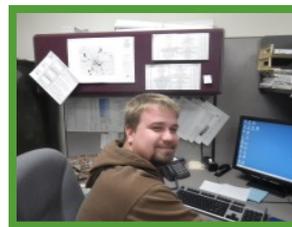
NRCS Staff:

Gary Kurer, DC
Joel AlicaHernandez, SC
Karen Stensrude, Altima



Ducks Unlimited Staff:

Chad Billat, DU Wetland Restoration Consultant



*Technical Assistance was furnished to the district by NRCS MN:

Troy Daniell, Assistant State Conservationist, FO
Elizabeth Oolman, Agricultural Engineer
Jim Fritz, Area Resource Conservationist
Dan Nath, Area Resource Soil Scientist
Charlie Blackburn, Civil Engineering Technician

Christiane Roy, GIS Specialist
Jeff Koster, Area Biologist
Thomas Chris Parrott, ITS
Robin Stevenson, Area Admin. Coord.



Annual Report Highlights –

2018 Freeborn County Outstanding Conservationist honored. . .

Casey and Stacie Madson of Hartland were recently honored as outstanding conservationists at the annual meeting of the Minnesota Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, December 11th, 2018 in Bloomington, MN. They were selected by the Freeborn County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) for this award. The Freeborn County SWCD nominates landowner(s) or a group every year for their efforts in implementing conservation practices on the landscape and improving our natural resources.



Casey & Stacie pictured with their children Emry & Evelyn near their farm in Hartland, MN.

Casey and Stacie are 6th and 4th generation farmers, respectively. When they were just starting out farming, they used a moldboard plow. That didn't sit right with them, so they went a different direction with their operation. With a primary focus on corn and soybeans, they have turned towards soil health practices, such as cover crops, reduced tillage, and waterways. Depending on the situation, they will either have an airplane aerially apply the cover crop seed, or they will broadcast the seed while doing fall fertilizer and incorporate it using vertical tillage. They have also integrated the use of strip-tillage when possible. Along with the integration of cover crops, they have installed waterways in trouble spots of their farm using CRP as well as doing them on their own. The Madson's are a perfect example of breaking from the norm and thinking outside of the box.

Legislative Day at the Capitol - 2018. . .



Pictured above are SWCD staff and SWCD Supervisors from Freeborn, Steele, Dodge, and Mower Counties with Senator Dan Sparks.

On March 13th, 2018, Soil and Water Conservation Districts from across the state met at the capital to discuss SWCD issues with our Senators and Representatives. David Ausen, SWCD Supervisor, Mark Schaezke, SWCD Manager, and Jarod Schamaun, SWCD Technician, had the privilege to attend this event. Before meeting with the legislators, SWCD staff attended a legislative briefing meeting, where key legislators and state

officials spoke, and knowledge was gained on the current issues. The 2018 MASWCD legislative platform had many topics, such as Capacity and CREP funding. There were three scheduled meetings, which included: Senator Dan Sparks, Representative Peggy Bennet, and Representative Jeanne Poppe. This year the visit fell on a short session and a typical bonding year. However, due to current issues nationwide, there were many topics being discussed that typically would not be in a year such as this. Nevertheless, we still communicated our appreciation for the strides that have been achieved over the last few years, especially with the Capacity and CREP funding received. It was a great opportunity to show the legislators the great work that has been done over the last year.

SWCD Fair Booth. . .

The Freeborn County SWCD fair booth was on display at the Freeborn County Fair in 2018. Located in the conservation building, the fair booth had a vast diversity of information on display. There was information on the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP), such as what is eligible for CREP and what are the objectives are. Additionally, we promoted the SWCD tree sales and even had a potted Bur Oak tree to give away in a drawing for fair attendees who visited the booth. The cost share program was displayed showing different practices in which the SWCD could cost share if landowners were interested. The Winnebago watershed WRAPS project the SWCD has been working on was also present showing the different things we are doing within the watershed such as public meetings, tillage transects, and landowner/operator interviews. There were also many handouts, pamphlets, soil health shovels, and coffee mugs fair attendees could take home with them. The fair booth is a great way to inform the public on current events and pertinent information. We were able to purchase a new fair display and some advertising items for better public visibility with Capacity funds, again thank you legislators.



Staff setting up the Fair booth featuring CREP, Winnebago Wraps, trees, and cost-share opportunities.

Annual Tree Program. . .

The Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District's annual tree program provides local urban, and rural landowners an opportunity to obtain good quality trees at an affordable price. The SWCD offers over 30 species of trees that are suited for conservation practices such as shelterbelts and wildlife plantings. Along with trees, the SWCD offers tree mats, fertilizer, and tree tubes to help increase planting success. For large shelterbelts or windbreak plantings, the SWCD has a tree planter available for rent. The SWCD offers landowners planning assistance that includes site specific tree species recommendations, spacing recommendations, and maintenance advice.



Staff bagged bareroot trees for customers to easily pick up the trees they ordered.

Over 9,500 trees and shrubs were planted throughout the Freeborn County area through the SWCD's tree program in 2018. The SWCD sold many bare root trees along with potted evergreen and deciduous trees. Each of the trees sold will provide financial, aesthetic, wildlife, soil, water, and air quality benefits for years to come.

Southeast Area 7 Envirothon. . .



Shown above is a team from Zumbrota-Mazeppa. They took 3rd place with the chance to compete at state.

Each year our SWCD along with nine (9) neighboring SWCDs sponsor a SE Area Envirothon where high school students compete in five (5) environmental stations consisting of Soils, Water Resources, Forestry, Wildlife, and a current event. The area event was held at Byron Sportsman's Club, Byron, MN on May 2nd. The 2018 current event was "Managed Grazing Systems in MN". The students also give an oral presentation on that current event. This past year teams from Goodhue High School took 1st and 2nd place with Zumbro-Mazeppa taking 3rd place. 12 senior teams competed, and new this year were 7 junior teams. 1st – 3rd place teams went to the state competition that was held at Shetek Lutheran Ministries in Slayton, MN on May 21st.

Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance “GBERBA” . . .

The Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance (GBERBA) has continued to be a valuable organization to be a part of. GBERBA has been successful at applying for and receiving various grants that the Freeborn SWCD and landowners can use for conservation work. The SWCD was able to implement a cover crop project with the cost share coming from a grant obtained by GBERBA. SWCD staff worked with several landowners in the GBERBA area to identify potential conservation issues and work towards solutions. Some of the proposed solutions will likely use GBERBA cost share funds to help the landowners implement the BMPs such as grade stabilization structures and waterways. GBERBA facilitates sharing of ideas among LGU’s through technical meetings, policy meetings, and guest speakers.



Cover crop implemented using GBERBA funding in 2018.

Volunteer Rain Gauge Network. . .

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Annual Reports of Monthly Precipitation Totals

This application creates annual summaries of precipitation data gathered by volunteer-based observation networks throughout Minnesota. The data presented are monthly totals and the data are grouped by county. Observer locations are described using township, range, and section numbers.

Choose a county and year, then click on "Annual report".

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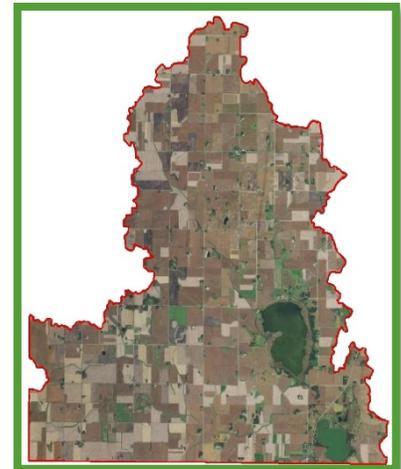
2018 FREEBORN Monthly Precipitation, Totals

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24	101N	19W	35		SWCD	2.18	5.37	8.28	4.83	4.92	8.67	3.93										32.07			
24	101N	20W	17		SWCD	1.90	1.05	1.10	2.60	6.19	7.47	4.35	6.20	8.93	3.71	2.28	1.92					47.90			
24	101N	22W	1		SWCD	.80																			
24	101N	23W	8		SWCD	1.38	1.03	.90	3.43	6.97	10.06	6.06	2.51	8.80	3.88	1.33	1.38	40.17	46.19	47.73		34.40			
24	102N	19W	23		SWCD					6.35	8.32	4.40	4.27	7.89									31.23		
24	102N	19W	36		SWCD					3.55	6.06	8.90	4.69	4.25	7.78								31.68		
24	102N	21W	1		SWCD											1.03	.58								
24	102N	21W	13		SWCD					5.47	6.67	3.44	2.71	8.99	4.01	1.54	.60						27.28		
24	102N	21W	16	ALBERT L	NWS	1.15	1.01	1.55	3.28	6.66	6.94	4.46	3.31	8.22	3.63	1.50	2.01	37.85	42.73	43.72			29.59		
24	102N	21W	16		SWCD	1.65	1.24			3.16	5.14	7.79	5.47		8.67	3.96	2.53	.80							
24	102N	21W	19		SWCD	.88				1.37	1.30	4.11	4.66	3.19	1.84	7.62	2.87						23.42		
24	102N	21W	17		SWCD	.67	1.00	.80	1.27	5.52	7.97	6.00	2.90	8.29	3.49	1.39	.81	36.08	41.06	40.11			30.68		
24	102N	22W	1		SWCD					5.83	7.41	5.30	2.86	8.28	3.41	.98								29.68	
24	102N	22W	8		SWCD					1.97	6.46	8.02	5.97	2.75	8.82	3.30	.98							32.02	
24	102N	22W	10		SWCD					1.05	5.60	8.60	6.25	2.35	7.70	4.00								30.50	
24	102N	23W	31		SWCD					3.32	6.63	10.51	5.10	1.22	6.88	2.72	.98							30.34	
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24	103N	19W	21		SWCD					6.77	9.11	4.98	4.32	7.96	4.12	*								33.14	
24	104N	22W	5		SWCD					1.84	6.06	6.88	3.27	5.85	7.60	3.45	.98							29.66	
24	104N	22W	9		SWCD	1.27	.75	1.05	2.20	6.41	9.29	3.52	5.18	9.05	3.92	1.12	1.11	36.74	44.38	44.87				33.45	
24	104N	22W	35		SWCD					6.44	8.97	3.82	4.63	8.40											32.26
24	104N	23W	36		SWCD																				30.41
county averages						1.21	1.01	1.13	2.40	6.14	8.07	4.88	3.69	8.02	3.63	1.39	1.15	37.71	43.59	44.87			30.80		
# of obs						8	6	6	13	20	20	20	19	20	17	12	8	4	4	4	5	19			

A cooperation between Freeborn County Environmental Services, Freeborn County SWCD and the MN State Climatology Network help sponsor our local rain gauge reporting program. We have 20+ volunteers that take daily rain totals, tally them up and send them in to our office. Our staff then records these totals on the State Climatology web site. http://climate.umn.edu/doc/online_resources.htm

Winnebago Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategies (WRAPS). . .

This is a legislative mandate to the MPCA to address water quality on a major watershed basis with a 10-year cycle. The MPCA is working on completing the WRAPS for the Winnebago Watershed. The Freeborn SWCD is working with MPCA and Freeborn County Drainage Authority to provide some background information for the WRAPS process. The WRAPS include a summary of the status of the water quality within the watershed and the monitoring work that has been completed. Anything that does not meet standards is identified with long term goals of meeting those standards. Stakeholders identify combinations of best management practices to achieve those goals in the long term and also identify 10 year milestone targets. Freeborn SWCD is a participant in the WRAPS process and is also identified as a source of technical and financial assistance.



Outline of the Winnebago Watershed.

Soil Health Team. . .

The Soil Health Team turned 4 years old in March. The Team is made up of local producers, private businesses, and government organizations interested in promoting soil health techniques. In 2018 the team decided to step back from planning and having events to recruit newer innovative farmers who were thinking about soil health. The team plans on collecting local data from these farmers to hopefully have more local data to present on at events. It will take a few years before actual results will be documented as some experiments will take that long to get results documented. The team also had a chance to host an event with Practical Farmers of Iowa on small grains in Mankato, MN in 2018.



Jodi Dejong-Hughes talking with local farmers at the 2018 Winter Workshop event.

State Cost Share Program. . .

Landowners were paid a total of \$16,480 in state cost share dollars in calendar year 2018. Practices installed included five (5) cover crop, and 11 buffer planting contracts. Based on the dollar amount mentioned above, landowners installed over \$19,7763 worth of practices because of these cost share programs.



State Cost Share: Contractor repairing existing waterway.



GBERBA: Engineer and SWCD staff discussing project.



Perpetual Easements: SWCD staff completing a RIM/WRP easement inspection.

A summary of RIM, RIM/WRP, WRP, and EWP Easements closed to date (12/31/18) is as follows:

Perpetual Easements --		
Five (5) RIM Riparian Easements	318.0	acres
Six (6) RIM Marginal Ag Land Easements	87.1	acres
Eleven (11) Permanent Wetland Preserve (PWP) Easements	221.8	acres
Twelve (12) RIM Wetland Restoration Easements	304.5	acres
Nineteen (19) CREP Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program	612.0	acres
Thirteen (13) CREP II Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program	557.0	acres
Three (3) CREP III Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program	308.5	acres
Fifty-one (51) RIM/WRP Wetland Restoration Easements	4,073.0	acres
Forty-four (44) WRP Wetland Restoration Easements	2,853.6	acres
Five (5) EWP Emergency Watershed Protection	250.2	acres
Total	9,585.7	acres

Buffer Law. . .

2018 was quite the year for SWCD's and the Minnesota buffer Law. The Freeborn SWCD staff were busy working with landowners to bring them into compliance. Staff tried to find alternative practices that would work with specific landowners. Alternative practices applied consisted of using the 393 NRCS filter strip practice standard, no-till/strip till with cover crops, site inlet drainage, and negative slope on the ditch banks. Due to the poor planting conditions in 2018 there are some landowners that have requested and been granted an extension through June 30th, 2019. With the buffer law now active for Public Waters and Public Ditches the SWCD staff will now start doing yearly monitoring on 1/3 of the parcels every year.



Staff checking a buffer to make sure it meets buffer law requirements.

Capacity Funding. . .



Out on site using new surveying technology.

In 2018 the Capacity funding continued to help assist landowners with cost share for cover crops. Five (5) contracts were planted on year 2 of a 3-year contract on 40 or less acres per contract per year. Capacity funding was also used to make some much needed computer upgrades as well as purchasing a survey grade GPS with tablet to aid in surveying potential new best management practices (BMPs). Capacity funding kept staff busy with project inspections, CRP plans, tree customers, soil health, and buffer assistance. The Freeborn SWCD no-till drill program is in full swing assisting producers/landowners with native grass, pasture, and no-till soybean plantings. Approximately 200 acres of land was seeded with the drill in 2018. Plantings ranged from wetland plantings, buffer strips, Reinvest in Minnesota easement plantings, waterways, and pasture enhancements. The SWCD again thanks the legislators for the capacity funding as it has allowed Freeborn SWCD to take a big step toward meeting our goals and accomplishing our mission.

MAWQCP. . .

The Freeborn County Soil and Water Conservation District has received continued interest in the Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program (MAWQCP). The MAWQCP is a voluntary program aimed to certify landowners who are implementing approved conservation practices that help protect our state's water resources, such as lakes and streams. To become certified, each field of an operation will be gone through to look at various factors, such as nutrient and tillage management factors. If a landowner becomes certified, they receive regulatory certainty for 10 years (meaning they will be in compliance with new water quality rules or laws), recognition, and priority for technical and financial assistance. Currently in Freeborn County, there are many certified farms, with more hopefully becoming certified soon. Certified producers are eligible to apply for cost share dollars through the MAWQCP and are eligible to apply for special Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) dollars. The SWCD can assist in answering questions, along with getting the initial application started.



MAWQCP Certified producers are eligible for special cost share funds for Best Management Practices (BMPs) such as cover crops.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST 2018 REPORT

By Gary D. Kurer, District Conservationist, USDA-NRCS

CONSERVATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (CTA) AND CONSERVATION PROGRAMS



High Tensile Electric Fence is an important practice for a prescribed grazing system.

- Environmental Quality Incentive Program: Five (5) conservation plans were developed and accepted for financial assistance in FY 2018 for EQIP totaling \$36,685. Three (3) of the contracts are for Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans (CNMP).
- Approved EQIP funding and inspected certified practices included; cover crops, prescribed grazing, water & sediment control basins, underground outlets, subsurface drain, and critical area planting.
- Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP): Two (2) new CSP applications were approved for a total of \$131,718 obligated for a 5-year period on 1,017.2 cropland acres and no pastureland acres.
- Conservation Reserve Program (CRP): Conducted 58 CRP plans for 2018 re-enrollments and new-enrollments. Conducted on-site eligibility investigations for continuous CRP practices such as windbreaks, grassed waterways, filter strips, native habitat for pollinators, and wetland restoration. Conducted 10% or 14 spot checks for CRP status reviews and practice certifications and all were in compliance.
- Wetland Reserve Easements (WRE): There were approximately 35 acres of wetland restoration completed on three (1) RIM/WRE easements. There were also approximately 135 acres of pest management, herbaceous weed control, or tree removal completed on three (2) RIM/WRE easements.
- Outreach: Coordinated the outreach and preparation of a local work group meeting for Freeborn County in August 2018. NRCS staff gave a presentation on NRCS programs for the Corn-Soybean Growers Association. NRCS attended and presented information at soil health workshops.

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Estimated Level of Conservation Assistance for Calendar Year 2018

reported by Gary Kurer, NRCS District Conservationist

ITEM-EQIP PRACTICES	PLANNED ACRES NO. IN 2018	APPLIED ACRES IN 2018	EXPENDED EQIP FUNDS 20178
Cover Crops	2,150.2 ac	2,150.2 ac	\$151,180
Grassed Waterways	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Subsurface Drain	570 ft.	570 ft.	\$1,199
Seasonal High Tunnel for Crops	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Residue Management-No-Till/Strip Till/Mulch Till	0 ac.	0 ac.	\$0
Grade Stabilization Structures	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Prescribed Grazing	105.9 ac.	105.9 ac.	\$2,655
Heavy Use Area Protection	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Livestock Pipeline	0 ft.	0 ft.	\$0
Fence (perimeter and/or interior)	0 ft.	0 ft.	\$0
Watering Facilities	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
CNMP-CAP's	3 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Water & Sediment Control Basins	3 ea.	3 ea.	\$2,317
Underground Outlets	1,832 ea.	1,832 ea.	\$8,811
Diversions	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Critical Area Planting	0.3 ac.	0.3 ac.	\$28
Seasonal High Tunnel for Crops	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Water Wells	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Pumping Plants	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Obstruction Removal	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
Filter Strips CP-21 CREP Sign-ups	9.3 ac.	9.3 ac.	----
Wetland Restoration CP-23A sign-ups for CRP/CREP	455.18 ac.	455.18 ac.	----
Wetland Restoration CP-23A CRP/CREP Seeded	465 ac.	46.65ac	----
Farmed Wetland and Buffer CP-27/28 sites for CRP	6 ea.	6-114.4 ac.	----
Filter Strips CP-21 for re-enrolled CRP/CREP	13 ea.	13-46 ac.	----
Farmstead Windbreaks/Shelterbelts CP-16-CRP	0 ea.	0 ac.	----
Grassed Waterways CP-8 for CRP	12 ea.	12-11.5 ac.	----
Wetland Restoration-WRP	34.5 ac.	34.5 ac.	----
Water Control Structures-WRP	4 ea.	4 ea.	----
Pest Management (Herbaceous weed control)-WRP	75 ac.	75 ac.	----
Tree Removal-WRP	61.2 ac.	61.2 ac.	----
CSP Cover Crop Enhancements	2,772.9 ac.	2,772.9 ac.	N/A
TOTALS FOR 2018 EQIP:	See Above	See Above	\$166,190
TOTALS FOR 2018 CSP:	20,098 ac.	20,098 ac.	\$440,190
TOTALS FOR 2018 CRP:	10,876 ac.	10,876 ac.	\$2,745,023

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET-DECEMBER 31, 2018

	General Fund	Adjustments See Notes	Statement of Net Position
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash and Investments	\$1,079,100		\$1,079,100
Accounts Receivable	\$28,671		\$28,671
Capital Assets:			
Equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)	<u>\$77,798</u>	<u>\$77,798</u>	<u>\$77,798</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$1,107,771</u>	<u>\$77,798</u>	<u>\$1,185,569</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources		<u>\$164</u>	<u>\$164</u>
Combined Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$1,107,771</u>	<u>\$77,962</u>	<u>\$1,185,733</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Current Liabilities:			
Unearned Revenue	\$455,362		\$455,362
Long-term Liabilities:			\$0
Net Pension Liability		\$138,690	\$138,690
Compensated Absences		<u>\$7,693</u>	<u>\$7,693</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$455,362</u>	<u>\$146,383</u>	<u>\$601,745</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Defined Benefit Pension Plan		<u>\$21,283</u>	<u>\$21,283</u>
Combined Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$455,362	\$167,666	\$623,028
<u>Fund Balance/Net Position</u>			
Fund Balance			
Compensated Absences	\$7,693	-\$7,693	\$0
Assigned - Vehicle	\$30,000	-\$30,000	\$0
Assigned - Technology	\$20,000	-\$20,000	\$0
Assigned - Unemployment Expense	\$60,000	-\$60,000	\$0
Unassigned	<u>\$534,716</u>	<u>-\$534,716</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$652,409</u>	<u>-\$652,409</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$1,107,771</u>		
Net Position			
Investments in Capital Assets		\$77,798	\$77,798
Unrestricted		<u>\$484,907</u>	<u>\$484,907</u>
Total Net Position		<u>-\$89,704</u>	<u>\$562,705</u>

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND
GOVERNMENTAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE-DEC. 31, 2018

Revenues			
Intergovernmental-State	\$169,357	\$0	\$169,357
Intergovernmental-County	\$188,000	\$0	\$188,000
Federal	\$10,120	\$0	\$10,120
Other State	\$39,869	\$0	\$39,869
Charges for Services	\$28,379	\$0	\$28,379
Investment Earnings	\$3,290	\$0	\$3,290
Miscellaneous	<u>\$7,337</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$7,337</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$446,352</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$446,352</u>
Expenditures/Expenses			
Current	\$310,368	-\$32,656	\$277,712
Capital outlay	<u>\$26,644</u>	<u>-\$26,644</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Expenditures/Expenses	<u>\$337,012</u>	<u>-\$59,300</u>	<u>\$277,712</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under)	\$109,340	\$59,300	\$168,640
Fund Balance/Net Position January 1	<u>\$543,069</u>	<u>-\$149,004</u>	<u>\$394,065</u>
Fund Balance/Net Position December 31	<u>\$652,409</u>	<u>-\$89,704</u>	<u>\$562,705</u>

Notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

