

JANUARY TRANSACTIONS

District Checking Account Balance 12-20-18 **\$397,330.56**

RECEIPTS: (since last board meeting)

Bank of the West - October - Interest - Checking Account	\$6.56
Cottonwood County - October Contract for Services	\$6,150.05
State of MN - PERA Rate Aide Increase	\$223.50
Cottonwood County - Insurance Premium Reimbursement	\$10,056.00
Trees and Flags - Product and Tax	\$264.67
District Court - Restitution - November 2018	\$970.13
NACD - Southwest Prairie TSA - NACD Technical Assistance Grant	\$11,000.00
GBERBA - Coordinators, Watonwan Watershed Technician and Area 6 Certification Specialist - December	\$18,493.05
State of MN - BWSR-reimburse for fence posts	\$1,029.64
State of MN - BWSR - Wardin #17-01-17-01	\$2,000.00
SWPTSA - 4th quarter 2018	\$6,222.44
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$56,416.04

DISBURSEMENTS: (since last board meeting)

12/20/18 24070-074	Fourth Quarter Supervisor Compensation, Expenses, FICA, MN Rev and DCP	\$3,725.70
12/21/18 24075-081	Payroll - 12-9 to 12-22-18 plus PERA, MN Dept of Revenue and FICA/MC (EFT's)	\$12,651.82
12/21/18 24082	Sun Life Financial - Short Term Disability - January	\$44.80
12/21/18 24083	Office of MN.IT	\$27.92
12/31/18 24084-090	Payroll - 12-23 to 12-31-18 plus PERA, MN Dept of Revenue and FICA/MC (EFT's)	\$10,472.54
1/4/19 24091	Cottonwood Co. Auditor-Treasurer - January Insurance	\$5,012.63
1/4/19 24092	Hwy-71 Storage - Rent	\$45.00
1/4/19 24093	NPCERS - January Payroll	\$96.00
1/4/19 24094	The Harford - Long Term Disability Insurance - January	\$126.56
1/4/19 24095-101	Payroll - 1-1 to 1-5-19 plus PERA, MN Dept of Revenue and FICA/MC (EFT's)	\$4,748.08
1/7/19 24102	Runnings - Marking Posts for Easements	\$40.51
1/7/19 24103	Citizen Publishing Co. - Website Host	\$30.00
1/7/19 24104	Higley Ford - Oil Change - F150	\$53.02
1/7/19 24105	Office Depot - Supplies	\$21.90
1/7/19 24106	Staples Enterprises Inc. - Gas	\$18.95
1/7/19 24107	Cottonwood Co. Recorder - Easement Recording (2)	\$92.00
1/18/19 24108-114	Payroll - 1-6 to 1-19-19 plus PERA, MN Dept of Revenue and FICA/MC (EFT's)	\$15,257.46
1/22/19 EFT12219	Minnesota Dept of Revenue-Sales & Use Tax	\$9.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$52,473.89	

BALANCE BEFORE BOARD MEETING **\$401,272.71**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

1/24/2019

(to be approved at this board meeting)

<u>Check#</u>	<u>Payable</u>	<u>Amount</u>
24115	Delta Dental - Dental Insurance - February and September (Josh)	\$220.50
24116	Minn-Kota Properties - Rent	\$2,491.85
24117	City of Windom - Internet Services	\$86.00
24118	Card Member Services - SSTS Train. Hotel/Meals; Convention Hotel/Meal; Office Supplies, Postage	\$880.59
24119	Office of MN.IT - Fax Service - December	\$27.70
24120	Office Depot - Office Supplies and Planning and Zoning Supplies	\$182.61
24121	MARCO - Contract and Base Rate Overage	\$616.41
24122	Postmaster - Postage	\$400.00
24123	Petty Cash Custodian - Batteries	\$7.79
24124	Cottonwood County - February Insurance	\$5,545.92
24125	Murray SWCD - TSA Financial Coordinator - 4th Quarter	\$4,422.08
24126	Ratwik, Roszak and Maloney - Attorneys - Investigation of Financial Issues	\$662.50
24127	David Jungas - Title Insurance - Thompson, Tasler and Linder Trust	\$3,007.75
24128	MCIT - 2019 PC, WC and WC Audit 2017	\$10,056.00
24129	Skillpath/NST Seminars - Conflic Mgmt Skills for Women Seminar - Kay, Becky, Hannah and Kari	\$387.90
24130	Herman Bartsch - Mileage, Cell Phone Expenses and Training Registration	\$209.26
24131	Rebecca Buchholz - Cell Phone Expense and Notary Registration	\$30.00
24132	Kay Gross - Cell Phone, CrashPro, District Cell Phone, Hotel and Meals - TSA State Mtg St. Cloud	\$414.71
24133	Josh Votruba - Mileage	\$119.90
24134	NACD - Dues 2019	\$775.00
24135	MASWCD - Dues - 2019	\$2,999.15
24136	MACDE - Dues - 2019	\$175.00
24137	Sun Life Financial- STD February 2019	\$44.80
24138	Avesis-February 2019 Vision Insurance	\$29.06

TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE **\$33,792.48**

District Checking Account Balance 1-24-19

\$367,480.23

Balances as of 1-24-19

PETTY CASH (Included in District Fund Balance)

Monthly Treasurer's Report
Southwest Prairie Technical Service Area
December 2018

<u>Use of Cash</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u> <u>12/1/2018</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u> <u>12/31/2018</u>
Checking	\$ 18,793.39	\$ 464,415.53	\$ 42,452.14	\$ 440,756.78
Select Business Svg	\$ 521,814.01		\$ 20,000.00	\$ 501,814.01
Interest Money	\$ 50,016.25	\$ 1,794.84		\$ 51,811.09
Investments	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Petty Cash	\$ 25.00	\$ -		\$ 25.00
Total	\$ 590,648.65	\$ 466,210.37	\$ 62,452.14	\$ 994,406.88

Program Summary

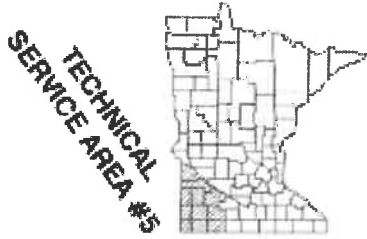
JPO Fund Balance	\$ 50,016.25	\$ 1,794.84		\$ 51,811.09
FY19 NPEA Grant	\$ -	\$ 130,218.87	\$ 14,771.12	\$ 115,447.75
FY18 NPEA Local Share	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
FY18 NPEA Admin	\$ -			\$ -
FY17 NPEA Equipmer exp 06/30/2019	\$ 20,000.00			\$ 20,000.00
Technical Services	\$ 166,364.46		\$ 18,401.70	\$ 147,962.76
TSA Shared Technician	\$ 31,352.11		\$ 4,690.88	\$ 26,661.23
FY17 ESTS Pt.1-Lincoln exp-06/30/2019	\$ 25,579.75		\$ 4,588.44	\$ 20,991.31
FY17 ESTS Part 2(equipment)	\$ 32,689.87	\$ 14,196.66		\$ 46,886.53
FY17 ESTS Part 2-Local Share	\$ 8,017.96			\$ 8,017.96
FY17 ESTS Part 2- Admin	\$ 7,341.10			\$ 7,341.10
FY18 ESTS Local Share	\$ 23,991.00			\$ 23,991.00
FY18 ESTS (exp-06/30/2020)	\$ 169,600.00			\$ 169,600.00
FY18 ESTS Admin	\$ 10,838.16			\$ 10,838.16
FY18 ESTS Equipment	\$ 34,700.00			\$ 34,700.00
FY19 ESTS Grant	\$ -	\$ 240,000.00		\$ 240,000.00
NRCS Collaboration Grant Admin	\$ (3,458.00)			\$ (3,458.00)
NACD Technical Assistance Grant	\$ 13,615.99	\$ 60,000.00		\$ 73,615.99
Total	\$ 590,648.65	\$ 446,210.37	\$ 42,452.14	\$ 994,406.88

Transactions by Account

As of December 31, 2018

01/23/19
Accrual Basis

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Class	Cir	Split	Amount	Balance
Checking Account									
Liability Check	12/03/2018	2832	MN PEIP			X	Health Insuran...	-1,518.16	18,793.39
Liability Check	12/05/2018	auto	Sun Life Insurance			X	Life Insurance ...	-31.03	17,275.23
Liability Check	12/05/2018	auto	Sun Life Insurance			X	Life Insurance ...	-41.80	17,244.20
Liability Check	12/12/2018		QuickBooks Payroll ...			X	Direct Deposit ...	-6,772.85	17,202.40
Paycheck	12/13/2018	DD1097	Foerster, Thomas	Created by P...	ESTS 1-L...	X	-SPLIT-	0.00	10,429.55
Paycheck	12/13/2018	DD1098	Hoogendoorn, Russell	Direct Deposit	NPEA	X	-SPLIT-	0.00	10,429.55
Paycheck	12/13/2018	DD1099	Matthys, Benjamin	Direct Deposit	Shared T...	X	-SPLIT-	0.00	10,429.55
Paycheck	12/13/2018	DD1100	Skoglund, Michael	Direct Deposit	NPEA	X	-SPLIT-	0.00	10,429.55
Liability Check	12/13/2018	auto	EFTPS	41-1811267		X	-SPLIT-	0.00	10,429.55
Liability Check	12/13/2018	auto	MN Revenue			X	State Withholdi...	-2,129.20	8,300.35
Liability Check	12/13/2018	auto	MSRS			X	HCSP-Def C	-355.00	7,945.35
Liability Check	12/13/2018	auto	PERA			X	HCSP-Def C	-200.00	7,745.35
Liability Check	12/13/2018	auto	MSRS			X	-SPLIT-	-1,319.77	6,425.58
Check	12/17/2018	2833	Chandler Co-op	gas		X	HCSP-Def C	-40.00	6,385.58
Check	12/17/2018	2834	Cardmember Service			X	-SPLIT-	-411.10	5,974.48
Check	12/17/2018	2835	Verizon			X	-SPLIT-	-260.48	5,714.00
Deposit	12/18/2018			Deposit		X	-SPLIT-	-154.19	5,559.81
Liability Check	12/26/2018		QuickBooks Payroll ...	Created by P...		X	Misc. Revenue	14,196.66	19,756.47
Transfer	12/26/2018			Funds Transfer		X	Direct Deposit ...	-6,772.83	12,983.64
Paycheck	12/27/2018	DD1104	Skoglund, Michael	Direct Deposit	NPEA	X	Select Busines...	20,000.00	32,983.64
Paycheck	12/27/2018	DD1101	Foerster, Thomas	Direct Deposit	NPEA	X	-SPLIT-	0.00	32,983.64
Paycheck	12/27/2018	DD1102	Hoogendoorn, Russell	Direct Deposit	ESTS 1-L...	X	-SPLIT-	0.00	32,983.64
Paycheck	12/27/2018	DD1103	Matthys, Benjamin	Direct Deposit	NPEA	X	-SPLIT-	0.00	32,983.64
Liability Check	12/27/2018	auto	EFTPS	Direct Deposit	Shared T...	X	-SPLIT-	0.00	32,983.64
Liability Check	12/27/2018	auto	MN Revenue	41-1811267		X	-SPLIT-	-1,433.26	31,550.38
Liability Check	12/27/2018	auto	MSRS			X	State Withholdi...	-355.00	31,195.38
Liability Check	12/27/2018	auto	PERA			X	HCSP-Def C	-200.00	30,995.38
Liability Check	12/27/2018	auto	MSRS			X	-SPLIT-	-1,319.77	29,675.61
Liability Check	12/27/2018	auto	EFTPS	41-1811267		X	HCSP-Def C	-40.00	29,635.61
Paycheck	12/28/2018	DD1105	Skoglund, Michael	Direct Deposit	NPEA	X	Federal Withh...	-696.00	28,939.61
Liability Check	12/28/2018	auto	EFTPS	41-1811267		X	-SPLIT-	0.00	28,939.61
Liability Check	12/28/2018	auto	MSRS			X	-SPLIT-	-495.74	28,443.87
Liability Check	12/28/2018	auto	EFTPS	41-1811267		X	HCSP-Def C	-15,731.30	12,712.57
Liability Check	12/28/2018	auto	MN Revenue			X	-SPLIT-	-2,119.66	10,592.91
Deposit	12/28/2018			Deposit		X	State Withholdi...	-56.00	10,537.91
Total Checking Account								430,218.87	440,756.78
TOTAL								421,963.39	440,756.78



SOUTHWEST PRAIRIE TECHNICAL SERVICE AREA

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DATE: JANUARY 25, 2019
TO: SOUTHWEST PRAIRIE TSA MEMBERS
FROM: KAY GROSS, ADMINSTRATIVE COORDINATOR
SUBJECT: COORDINATOR REPORT

Update of the Southwest Prairie TSA Personnel Policy

Final copy has been sent out to all offices with comments from our attorney concerning a few questions raised at the September Meeting.

Finalization at January 9, 2019 Southwest Prairie TSA Board Meeting.

NACD Grant – Technical Assistant Grant

Two installments have been sent to the TSA bring our total allotments received to \$90,000. Quarterly reports will be due by January 31, 2019. Additional installment was received on January 8 totaling \$11,000.00.

Working with Dawn Madison to complete quarterly reporting.

NRCS Grant – Collaboration

Dawn has been working with Districts to compile landowner contacts (9 Districts have been submitted with several signed by the DC). Our first landowner meeting took place in Cottonwood County on November 30, with a follow-up meeting being planned for January.

Working with Dawn Madison to complete quarterly reporting. We are on solid footing to reach our 40 plan goal for 2019 with a 188 contact listing for landowners from 9 counties.

BWSR Nonpoint Engineering Assistance and Enhanced Shared Technical Services

BWSR will be sending out Grant Agreements for FY19 Nonpoint Engineering Assistance (\$130,000) and Enhanced Technical Assistance (\$240,000). Funds are being transferred to the TSA as of 12-20-18.

Continual conversation with TSA Staff and Dawn Madison on procedures and practices throughout the area.

BWSR - TSA Program Partnership Plan

Attended a State wide Technical Service Area Host District Managers meeting on Friday, January 4 in St. Cloud. Goal of the meeting was to give an over view of the new TSA Program Partnership Plan.

Review of what is going well and what is not throughout the 8 different TSA groups. Highlights included:

- ~Tracking of project hours (and having to make changes throughout the life of the project)
- ~Administrative funding – take off cap in the NPEA Grant – Work with BC through work plan development
- ~BWSR work through some funding mechanisms for TSA through 1W1P, NACD Technical Assistance Grant and NRCS Collaboration Grants.
- ~Bring managers together at least twice a year – and have technical staff brought in for at least one meeting.
- ~BWSR will be developing an Operational Manual for TSA which will be incorporated into the SWCDs Operation Manual.



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Cottonwood SWCD Technician Report for January 24th, 2019.

1) Minnesota Wetlands Conservation Act update.

There is ongoing work in Cottonwood and Watonwan Counties. The annual WCA reports for 2018 have been completed and will be entered in E-link.

2) GBERBA

The Watonwan One Watershed One Plan process is moving at a fast pace. Houston Engineering has been selected as the consultant with the public kick off meeting scheduled for January 28, 2019. The GBERBA MAWQCP Conservation Corps Crew member for 2019 is Lee Tapper. He started in our office Tuesday, January 22, 2019.

3) Tree Program.

Several projects are in the planning stages. I have the early tree orders in to the tree nurseries for the 2019 season. There are 25 tree orders so far for 550 trees.

4) Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategies WRAPS

The WRAPS report is a jumping off place for the One Watershed One Plan Process. Staff is involved in the Des Moines, Little Cottonwood included in the Middle Minnesota, and the Cottonwood Watershed WRAPS process all at the same time. Part of the WRAPS work is establishing pollution/impairment reduction goals, which BMP's will work and how many of each practice will be needed, and then use this data to predict how long will it take to achieve the water quality goals.

5) State Cost Share

The SWCD has several waterway/basin project requests that have come in. So far several projects have been field checked and the estimates total over \$100,000 dollars for those projects. 2018 flood relief dollars will be needed from the state legislature, none are expected at this time.

6) MN Conservation Corps Crew

The Cottonwood SWCD has applied for a Corps crew grant to assist with the urban tree programs in Cottonwood County.

David Bucklin, Cottonwood SWCD



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Date: January 23, 2019

Name: Becky Buchholz (Farm Bill Assistant/Program Technician)

Topics: Past Events, Upcoming Events, Farm Bill Assistance, SSTS, Buffers, Feedlots, Planning and Zoning

Past Events:

- January 15, 2019 – SSTS talking tour, Mankato, MN
- January 18, 2019 – Farm Bill Assistant Partnership meeting in Alexandria, MN (didn't go due to weather)

Upcoming Events:

- February 5, 2019 – Infiltrator Training in Fairmont, MN
- February 7, 2019 – IET training from Beth Collins, SWCD office
- February 26, 2019 – Ag Tech Note #31 training in Marshall, MN
- March 4, 2019 – Conflict Management Training in Worthington, MN

Farm Bill Assistance:

- CREP and CRP are still closed for new application. I have been completing eligibility for interested landowners with the caveat it could change after the federal government opens back up.
- We have quite a few RIM violations that will be fixed this past Fall after harvest due to crop encroachment. We were not able to get to all of these because we hadn't received contact back from landowners before winter, we will have to continue the remediation in Spring 2019.
- We currently have 10 active CREP applications in process, an additional one has been completed and paid out. Two of the ten are set to be paid out for final payment hopefully this month.

SSTS:

- Continuing to send out letters as septic disclosure forms come in and as property transfers occur.
- Gearing up for the next SSTS season. Working on contractor beginning of season letters. Worked on an effluent screen handout to send out with COCs for new homeowners on effluent screen care and maintenance. Working on maintenance pumping letters and magnets for 2019 (2016 installed systems).
- Also working with MPCA on updating language on some of my letters that go out so if I need certain enforcement on straight pipes, I can do it through MPCA and not the county attorney.

Buffers:

- Hannah has been working on enforcement letters and language for individual Corrective Action Notice letters. I have been reviewing them as necessary.

Feedlots

- Will be working on downloading feedlot data and setting up registration feedlot update forms. The new system, TEMPO, does not automatically formulate the Registration Update forms like DELTA (old system) did. When the new registration cycle started in 2018 the State was backed up with thousands of previous registrations from 2014-2017 period and did not want any new cycle registrations for almost a year. They are now accepting current period re-registrations.



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Date: January 24, 2019

Name: Hannah Herzfeld (Cottonwood Resource Technician)

Topics: Past Events, Upcoming Events, Project Updates, Working on

Past Events:

- Dec 10-11th – State Convention

Upcoming Events:

- January 25th – Cover crop workshop Heron Lake
- January 28th – Watonwan Kick off

Project Updates:

Landowners continue to call that buffers have been seeded, Public Waters compliance in Cottonwood county is approximately 90%. Administrative Penalty Order and Corrective Action Notices are being finalized for the Buffer Law to send to landowners with non-compliant buffers as of Dec 1st.

Working on:

- Developing an alternative practices list, and making site visits to determine alternative practices for individual landowners.
- Working with Becky Alexander and occasionally going into the field to correct maps made in the office or working on individual buffer maps for landowners.
- Tracking buffer compliance using the BWSR BuffCAT tool is a continual process.
- Continuing SSTS mentoring
- Working on cost-share database
- Moving forward with the Buffer Law to prepare to send out APO (Administrative Penalty Order) and Corrective Action Notice to landowners with parcels that are non-compliant with the Buffer Law.



Alex Schultz
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Date: January 24, 2019

Name: Alex Schultz

Topics: Past Events, Upcoming Events, Planning and Zoning, and Ag. Inspecting

Past Events:

- January 9th- AMC Meeting

Upcoming Events:

- January 28th- 1W1P Kickoff
- February 7th- Planning Commission Meeting

Planning and Zoning:

- **Planning Commission Meeting**
 - Date set for February 7th at 2:00
 - Gode, Fast- Dwellings within Shoreland
- **Board of Adjustments**
 - None
- **Permits**
 - Setback Permits, 1 Issued
 - CUP, 0 Issued
 - Variance, Issued 0

Feedlots



GBERBA

Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance

www.GBERBA.org

DATE: January 24, 2019

NAME: Josh Votruba
Watonwan Watershed Resource Specialist

Topics: Past Events, Upcoming Events, Working on

Past Events:

- Dec 17 – Watonwan SWCD Board Meeting, St. James, MN
- Dec 20 – Cottonwood SWCD Board Meeting, Windom, MN
- Dec 21 – Watonwan 1W1P Steering Team Meeting, St. James, MN
- Jan 8 – Watonwan 1W1P Steering Team Meeting, St. James, MN
- Jan 11 – GBERBA Policy Meeting, Mankato, MN
- Jan 16 – Watonwan 1W1P Steering Team Meeting, St. James, MN
- Jan 16 – Watonwan 1W1P Policy Committee Meeting, St. James, MN
- Jan 23 – GBERBA Tech Meeting, Mankato, MN

Upcoming Events:

- Jan 25 – Cover Crop Winter Workshop, Heron Lake, MN
- Jan 28 – Watonwan SWCD Board Meeting, St. James, MN
- Jan 28 – Watonwan 1W1P Kickoff Meeting, St. James, MN

Working on:

- *Training:* I recently have gotten training in using eLINK to report grant information for GBERBA projects. I have begun entering the GBERBA project information for the cover crop and alternative tile intake projects into eLINK.
- *Watonwan River One Watershed, One Plan:* The public kickoff meeting for the Watonwan River One Watershed, One Plan will take place January 28th and will be from 4-7 PM at the American Legion in St. James. During the kickoff meeting/open house Houston Engineering will be giving a presentation about the Watonwan River One Watershed, One Plan. In addition, keynote speaker Billy Hildebrand of KFAN Outdoors will be speaking about the importance of conservation in regards to outdoor activities. To gain public interest for the kickoff meeting public notices have been put out in the counties involved, and kickoff meeting/open house flyers and invitation letters were mailed out to farmers, citizens, cities, township officials, and other groups within the watershed.



Greater Blue Earth River Basin

Jan 7, 2019



DANIELLE EVERS

AREA 5 MAWQCP CERTIFICATION SPECIALIST

Serving the Counties of: Cottonwood, Jackson, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, Rock, & Yellow Medicine

Projects and Workload:

- Continuing to meet with producers for assessments, create maps, & upload documents for state verification
- Assisting producers in submitting MAWQCP Cost-Share Grant Applications
- Coordinating with Water Resource Specialist in Nobles, Lyon, Lincoln, Pipestone, Rock for program promotion and to reach more producers in the wellhead protection areas
- Attending/Participating in events to gain continuing education credits for CCA certification
- Homework for the Minnesota Rural Leadership Program
- Working on trying to have some Ag Water Quality Meetings in different counties & inviting producers

Events:

- **Jan 10th** - Training - Ivanhoe, MN
- **Jan 15-18th** - MARL Seminar 3 - St. Paul, MN
- **Jan 25th** - Cover Crop Winter Workshop - Heron Lake, MN
- **Jan 30th** - MECA Conference - Willmar, MN

Program Updates and Information:

- Water quality inlets are still available for interested farmers pursuing certifications (2 free for each applicant)
- **\$6,000** of Additional funding is still available through GBERBA for districts to continue working on the MAWQCP
- MAWQCP has certified over **691 farms**, including over **449,281 acres** with **1,328 new BMP's**
- Estimated benefits include: **25,111 tons** of TSS reduced per year, **63,525 tons** soil reduced per year, **29,649 lbs** Phosphorous reduced per year
- Grant applications still available for up to **\$5,000** 75% cost-share through the MDA for producers

YEAR TO DATE NUMBERS

Area 5	Applications	Assessments Completed	Actively Pursuing Cert.	Certifications
Cottonwood SWCD	31	29	1	12
Jackson SWCD	30	26	7	13
Lac Qui Parle SWCD	5	5	0	3
Lincoln SWCD	16	16	0	5
Lyon SWCD	12	9	3	4
Murray SWCD	12	12	1	9
Nobles SWCD	13	13	0	9
Pipestone SWCD	31	30	0	16
Redwood SWCD	30	30	1	21
Rock SWCD	18	15	1	9
Yellow Medicine SWCD	22	20	3	9
Totals	220	205	17	110

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Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program

South Central MAWQCP Certification Specialist
Serving the Counties of: Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, LeSueur, Martin, McLeod, Nicollet, Renville, Sibley, Waseca, Watonwan



Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance



Herman Bartsch
AREA 6 MAWQCP CERTIFICATION SPECIALIST
January 23rd, 2019

Workload:

- Working with producers and SWCDs to complete assessments and certifications
- Assisting producers with MDA Grant Applications
- Cover Crop Plans
- Program Promotion – Planning with SWCDs
- UMN Extension Research Update – Waseca 1-8-19
- Faribault SWCD Board Meeting – 1-9-18
- Soil Health Winter Workshops – Albert Lea 1-23-19
Fairmont 1-24-19

AREA 6	Applications	Assessments	Certifications
Blue Earth SWCD	13	12	7
Brown SWCD	9	6	3
Faribault SWCD	21	14	11
LeSueur SWCD	3	2	2
Martin SWCD	8	5	5
McLeod SWCD	8	6	4
Nicollet SWCD	1	1	0
Renville SWCD	7	7	5
Sibley SWCD	3	3	3
Waseca SWCD	9	9	2
Watonwan SWCD	10	6	5
Total	92	71	47

Faribault SWCD invited me to a board meeting to review the assessment process with their supervisors. One of the supervisors is already certified, and at least one other is interested in completing the assessment after seeing the process. Nate and I also met with three other producers the same day. Two of them submitted applications and brought information to start the assessment. The small group setting seems like a great way to promote certification, and address specific questions or concerns that producers may have.

MAWQCP Numbers as of 1-14-19

- 694 producers certified
- 452,401 acres certified
- 1,335 new practices installed or planned to be installed
- Sediment delivery to surface waters reduced by 25,251 tons per year (50,502,740 lbs.)
- Soil loss reduced by 63,772 tons per year (127,544,553 lbs.)
- Phosphorus loss reduced by 29,820 lbs. of P per year