



Cottonwood County Resource Concern Survey

The NRCS needs your help!

The purpose of this survey is to gauge the concerns of Cottonwood County residents. The information gathered in this survey will help form best management practices for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) in 2022. Please select your top **two-three** resource concerns from the list below:

_____ **Air Quality** (Air pollution includes particles in the air or toxic substances such as Carbon Monoxide. Practices include: anaerobic digesters, waste facility covers, animal composting facilities, windbreaks)

_____ **Erosion Control** (Soil erosion that occurs at a high rate can negatively impact soil health and water quality. Practices include: diversions, reduced tillage, water control structures like dams and basins)

_____ **Soil Quality** (Improved soil quality/health can increase organic matter, increase infiltration, decrease runoff, and improve plant vigor. Practices include: cover crops, no-till, strip-till)

_____ **Forest Management** (Forest management is important for maintaining plant and wildlife diversity. Practices include: windbreaks, shelter belts, forest stand improvement, tree/shrub establishment)

_____ **Livestock** (A well-managed livestock production system can improve plant and animal health, as well as reduce erosion. Practices include: fencing, water tanks, feed and forage, grazing, feedlot assistance)

_____ **Water Resource Protection** (Critical for drinking water, agricultural uses, wildlife, and aesthetic beauty. Practices include: nutrient/pest management, well decommissioning, filter strips, ag/livestock waste pits)

_____ **Wildlife Habitat Improvement** (Maintaining habitats preserves biodiversity and critical ecosystems. Practices include: tree/shrub establishment, pollinator seeding, wildlife habitat restoration, wetland restoration)

What do you feel are some of the road blocks to installing practices? (i.e. funding, not enough staff, user friendly programs, etc.)



What can the Cottonwood NRCS and SWCD do to serve you better? (i.e. meetings, trainings, demonstrations, groups, field days, etc.)

Other resource concerns you have that were not addressed above that you would like to mention?