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Mr. Noah Schrock, Chairman
Des Moines Co. SCD Commissioners
Oakville, Iowa

Dear Mr. Schrock:

It has been very interesting for me to read the accounts of your Soil Conservation District in the annual report for 1946. Your district has been functioning for only a portion of the year however you are to be commended on the firm foundation that is apparently being built for the successful operation of your district.

You have stated that many farmers are unaware of the seriousness of erosion and soil waste and are not willing to try new methods of farm operation. This really points to the fact that a sound Soil Conservation educational and informational program is needed and I am sure that the objectives set out in your future plans will help in overcoming this problem.

The fact that 106 farmers have already made application to your district for assistance indicates that there is a definite need for conservation assistance and that many of your problems will be met in the future.

I am glad that we have been able to provide a conservation farm planner for your district and if the Soil Conservation Service can be of further assistance to you I am sure you will keep Mr. Floyd Yetter, District Conservationist located in your district office, informed of your needs.

Very truly yours,


Frank H. Mendell
State Conservationist

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