



**DELAWARE COUNTY
SOIL AND WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Annual Report - 2000**

Delaware Soil and Water Conservation District ANNUAL REPORT

Financial statement expenditures of funds provided by the State of Iowa for District Commissioners expenses, office supplies, and cost share program.

July 1, 1999 thru June 30, 2000

IM BUDGET		
Original Allocation 7/1/99		\$3,000.00
Supplemental Allocation	+\$ 750.00	
Recalled 1/31/00	-\$ 500.00	
Commissioners Expense	-\$1,241.43	
Office Supplies & Expenses	-\$2,037.87	
Remaining & Returned to State June 30, 2000	\$ 33.20	

IIM BUDGET - COST SHARE PROGRAM		
FY 99-00 Original Allocation 7/1/99		\$31,755.00
Supplemental 8/11/99	+28,400.00	
Spent in FY 00	-\$44,459.89	
Obligated	-\$13,400.00	
Remaining 6/30/00	\$ 2,295.11	
FY 98-99 Original Allocation 7/1/98		\$27,521.00
Supplemental 2/21/00	+\$13,298.00	
Spent in FY 99	-\$ 9,641.81	
Spent in FY 00	-\$24,010.86	
Obligated	-\$ 550.00	
Recalled 12/31/99	-\$ 1,396.24	
Remaining 6/30/00	\$ 5,220.09	

FY 97-98 Original Allocation 7/1/97		\$27,357.00
Supplemental 3/1/99	+15,350.00	
Spent in FY 98	-\$20,026.21	
Spent in FY 99	-\$ 3,124.05	
Spent in FY 00	-\$12,336.29	
Recalled 12/31/98	-\$ 4,206.74	
Recalled 12/31/99	-\$ 3,013.71	
Remaining 6/30/00	\$ -0-	
FY 96-97 Original Allocation 7/1/96		\$27,357.00
Supplemental 3/21/98	+\$3,297.35	
Spent in FY 97	-\$14,488.98	
Spent in FY 98	-\$14,304.69	
Recalled 12/31/97	-\$ 1,860.68	
Remaining 6/30/00	\$ -0-	

REAP PRACTICES COST SHARE PROGRAM		
FY 99-00 Original Allocation 7/30/99		\$ 7,455.00
Supplemental 11/05/99	+\$37,676.70	
Spent in FY 00	-\$11,370.75	
Obligated in FY 00	-\$33,760.95	
Remaining 07/01/00	\$ 0	
Recalled & Reallocated to FY 01	\$33,760.95	

REAP FORESTRY/NATIVE GRASSES	
FY 99-00 Original Allocation 7/30/99	\$ 1,892.00
Spent in FY 00	-\$1,008.57
Obligated in FY 00	-\$ 700.00
Remaining & Recalled 07/01/00	\$ 183.43
Recalled & Reallocated to FY 01	\$ 700.00

REVOLVING FUND
The following funds have been earned by the District Commissioners in various sales programs, trees, flags, scales, seed, etc. and as reimbursement from the Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship-Division of Soil Conservation for expenses and supplies incurred by the Commissioners. The funds are used for the operation of our office and to educate and award members of the public on soil and water conservation.

Balance 7/1/99	\$10,809.91
Plus-IM Fund Reimbursement	\$3,556.96
Elk Creek Watershed	\$ 379.07
Tree Sales Program	\$8,024.06
Conservation Districts of Iowa Dinner	\$ 405.00
Accrued Earnings on Checking Account	\$ 50.54
From Savings Accounts	\$5,251.79
Other Deposits	\$ 183.55
Minus-Education items, awards, camps	\$1,084.06
Commissioner Expenses	\$1,031.33
IASWCD & NACD Dues	\$1,300.00
Sales Tax for '99	\$ 735.98
Nursery License	\$ 25.00
00' Tree Sales Program	\$5,937.47
Buffer Incentive Employee	\$5,130.95
Put in CD Savings	\$4,000.00
CDI Dinner	\$ 394.02
Office Supplies	\$1,235.84
Balance 6/30/00	\$ 7,786.29
Beginning Balance 7/01/99	\$ 503.17

SAVINGS	
Interest Earned	+\$ 78.28
Deposits	+\$14,538.17
Withdrawals for employee wages	-\$5,201.79
Balance 6/30/00	\$ 9,917.83

DON EIBEY MEMORIAL AWARD SAVINGS	
Beginning Balance 7/01/99	\$ 1,555.12
Interest Earned	+\$ 87.93
Into Checking for Award	-\$ 50.00
Balance 6/30/00	\$ 1,593.05

CD	
Beginning Balance 7/01/99	\$ 5,950.77
Added to Account	+\$ 4,000
Interest Earned	+\$ 568.68
Balance 6/30/00	\$ 10,519.45

Elk Creek Area Watershed

THE ELK CREEK AREA WATERSHED (Fountain Springs-Schechtman Branch-Spring Falls-Elk Creek) Water Quality Project is located directly north and east of the city of Greeley, Iowa in Delaware County. Fountain Springs, Schechtman Branch and Spring Falls are cold water streams. Most of Elk Creek that is in the project is cold water and the rest is high quality warm water. The Elk Creek Area Watershed outlets in a county conservation park area.

The watershed totals 17,660 acres. The landuse within the watershed is: cropland-10,910 acres, woodland-3,400 acres, pasture-2,690 acres, buildings and roads-450 acres and public owned land (parks)-320 acres. Of the cropland acres, 1,201 acres are in CRP. Fountain Springs Watershed consist of 4,800 acres with 27 landowners, Schechtman Branch Watershed consists of 5,900 acres and 31 landowners, Spring Falls Watershed consists of 1,500 acres and 10 landowners and the Elk Watershed consists of 6,400 acres and 34 landowners. There are 65 farms with livestock number totaling 800 dairy cows, 1,410 beef cows and 26,000 hogs.

The practices that will be used to improve water quality are nutrient and pest management, contouring, contour strip cropping, rock crossings, water and sediment control basins, manure management systems, streambank stabilization, livestock exclusion, fencing, livestock watering systems, grazing management, grassed waterways, sediment retention structures, terraces, and no-till.

The project has completed two successful years and has accomplished: Pasture-564 acres of rotational grazing, 2,561 acres of nutrient and pest management, 4 grade stabilization structures, 85 acres of contour buffer strips, 92 acres of contouring, 259 acres of no-till, and 430 feet of streambank stabilization.

If you have comments or questions about the project, feel free to contact the Delaware Soil and Water Conservation District or Michael Freiburger, Project Coordinator at 319 927-4590 ext. 3.

Spring Branch Creek Watershed

The Spring Branch Creek Watershed is a high quality cold water stream located in Delaware County in east central Iowa just east of Manchester. The stream outlets into the Maquoketa River about 1 mile south of Manchester just above Lake Delhi and has a fishable length of 2.2 miles.

The watershed totaled 12,000 acres. The landuse within the watershed was: Cropland-8,970 acres, CRP-1,000 acres, Woodland-230 acres, Pastures and Hayland-1,400 acres, and Buildings and Roads-400 acres.

Conservation tillage with 40% residue cover was implemented on 3,724 acres (40% of non-CRP cropland acres). 15 waterway jobs were completed with a total of 32.3 acres constructed and seeded. Streambank stabilization was completed on four sites with 2,880 feet stabilized. 125 acres of pasture management was installed. Stripcropping on 70 acres and contouring on 100 acres and two grade stabilization structures were installed during the project. 97.2 acres of CRP buffer strips and 4 acres of CRP riparian buffer strips were installed during the project. These practices resulted in a total sediment delivery reduction

of 8,005 tons per year. (This is the expected annual reduction in sediment delivery if use of conservation tillage continues at the same level of participation into the future.)

6,360 acres (71%) of the 8,970 acres of cropland were signed into the nutrient and pest management program sometime during the project with four different Ag-business/private consultants providing the services and four farmers doing their own plan. Results of this program show that the farmers would do: more in depth scouting, adjust fertilizer rates, adjust herbicide rates, reduce herbicide rates, adjust plan populations, and scout alfalfa more often.

This project was very successful in improving the water quality within the Spring Branch Creek Watershed (stream, surface and ground water) and in the down stream Maquoketa and Mississippi River basins.

Both projects are supported in part or in total by the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Division of Soil Conservation, through funds of the Water Protection Funds or the Iowa Department of Natural Resources through a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Technical assistance is provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Conservation Accomplishments

October 1, 1999 to September 30, 2000

	No.	Acres/Ft.
New District Cooperators	45	13,005 ac.
Clients Receiving Assistance	1,570	
Clients Applying		
Conservation Practices	942	
Conservation Plans		12,135 ac.
Conservation Reserve Program		
Sign up 22-Grass Waterways	56	123.7 ac.
Shallow Water Areas for Wildlife	2	10.0 ac.
Contour Buffer Strips	7	55.9 ac.
Shelterbelt Establishment	2	3.6 ac.
Field Windbreak	2	3.1 ac.
Filter Strips	60	358.6 ac.
Riparian Buffer Strips	7	58.1 ac.
General CRP Sign up 20	45	1,797.5 ac.
CRP to DATE	730	14,519.0 ac.
Animal Waste Systems	1	
Conservation Tillage Systems		17,822 ac.
Contour Farming		368 ac.
Contour Stripcropping		527 ac.
Cropland Benefited		14,000 ac.
Farmstead & Feedlot Windbreak	11	
Grassed Waterways		205 ac.
Grade Stabilization Structures	7	
Pasture & Hayland Management		286 ac.
Nutrient Management Systems		3,272 ac.
Streambank Protection		3,535 ft.
Terraces		18,750 ft.
Tree Planting		70 ac.
Water & Sediment Control Basins	10	
Wetland Determinations	79	5,451 ac.
Wetland Restore		23 ac.
Wildlife Upland Habitat Management		1,154 ac.
Wildlife Wetland Development		72 ac.
Woodland Improvement		360 ac.

~ DISTRICT ACTIVITIES ~

July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000

July ~ The Arnold & Bernice Lueken farm was chosen for the Century Conservation Farm Award, which will be given to them in September at the Farm Progress Show.

August ~ The first meeting of the Advisory Board for the Elk Creek Watershed Project was held ~ Wahl and Eibey attended the Annual Picnic for the Limestone Bluffs RC&D.

September ~ Forestry Field Day was held at the Parker Fransen Farm. ~ The Program Review for Spring Branch Creek Watershed Project and for Elk Watershed Project was held on the 16th.

October ~ Letter was sent to Lake Delhi Recreation Association in support of their pro-

posed project. ~ Supplemental allocation of \$37,676.70 was received for REAP practices.

November ~ Cooperative Agreement with Jones, Jackson, and Delaware SWCDs and NRCS has been approved to hire employees.

December ~ Calonder and Beaudine attended the Iowa Association of Soil & Water Conservation District Commissioners Regional Meeting held in Dyersville.

January ~ Officers for '00 are: Chairman-Marvin Calonder, Vice-Chairman-Arnold Lueken, Secretary/Treasurer-Marilyn Beaudine, Assistant Commissioner-Eric Wahl, Eldon Koeneke and Marla Maurer. ~ Calonder and Freiburger attended the Upper Maquoketa Meeting. ~ Reviewed NRCS & SWCD Memo of Understanding, EEO & Civil Rights, and NRCS Standards and Specifications. ~ Calonder attended the Lake Delhi Meeting.

February ~ Calonder attended the Lake Delhi Meeting.

March ~ Annual Chamber of Commerce Ag-Businessman luncheon was held March 21. Presentations were: Conservation Farmer award for 2000 to Robert First and to Jerome & Alice Wulfekuhle; Don Eibey Memorial Award to Al & Debra Hermesen; 2000 Windbreak Award to Dennis & Melanie Glew. ~ Calonder, Lueken, Mormann and Jasper interviewed prospective employees. ~ Calonder, Eibey, Jasper and Krause met with the Lake Delhi Project.

April ~ 3,610 trees were distributed for the Tree Sales Program. ~ Soil Stewardship Materials were distributed to the churches and libraries. ~ Katherine Willie and Tony Helmrich started working for the District. ~ James Gulliford attended the monthly meeting and presented Ken Klein with the Employee of the Month Award.

May ~ District gave \$250 Scholarship to Jared Diers, son of James & Janet, for the IASWCD Auxiliary Scholarship Award.

Thank You!

The Delaware Soil & Water Conservation District extends its thanks to the people and businesses who have helped sponsor our education programs.

We would also like to thank our staff of the NRCS Area Office for their continued training, moral support, and help with field work.

We extend a special thank you to the following businesses who have made it possible to publish this Annual Report Calendar.

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Commissioners

Pictured are the commissioners for the Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation District. Left-Right, Commissioners Dave Eibey, Ken Jasper, Arnold Lueken, and Marv Calonder. Assistant Commissioners Marla Maurer and Eldon Koeneke. Absent from photo: Commissioner Cindy Mormann and Assistant Commissioner Eric Wahl.

Office Staff

Field Office staffing assisting the SWCD are front row left to right: Marilyn Beaudine, State Secretary; Kathy Willie, District Soil Conservation Technician; Ken Klein, State Soil Technician; and Keith Krause, District Conservationist. Back row left to right: Mike Freiburger, Environmental Specialist; Tony Helmrich, District Soil Conservation Technician and Richard Belden, Soil Conservationist.



SCHOLARSHIP

The Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners have sponsored a scholarship to a student in Delaware County for several years. This scholarship is open to any graduating senior in Delaware County who is continuing their education in an agricultural field.

The recipient of the 2000 Delaware County SWCD scholarship is Jared Diers, son of James and Janet Diers of Colesburg. Jared is a graduate of Edgewood-Colesburg High School. Jared plans on attending Wartburg College or the University of Northern Iowa with studies in the environmental field. We would like to extend our congratulations to Jared for his many years of hard work, and wish him luck in pursuing his educational goals.



Employee of the Month



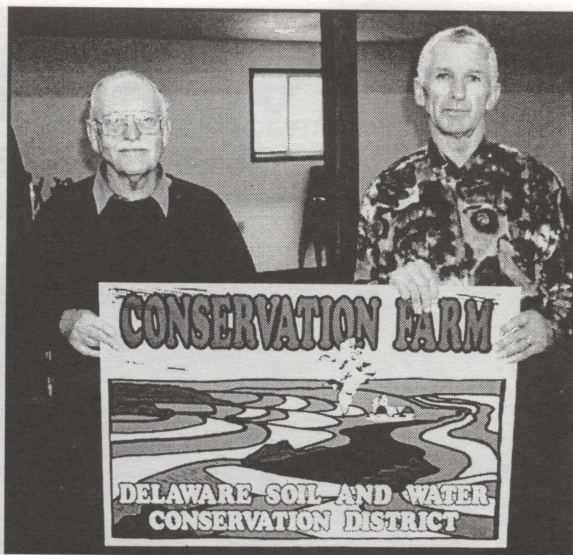
Ken Klein, State Technician at the Delaware County SWCD, was selected as Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship--Division of Soil Conservation Employee of the Month for April 2000. Ken's responsibility is working with landowners in design and application of conservation practices throughout Delaware County. This past year was a record year for application of grassed waterways.

Pictured is James Gulliford, Director of the Division of Soil Conservation for the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, presenting the award to Ken Klein.

Don Eibey Memorial Award Winner



The 2000 Don Eibey Memorial Award was presented to Alan & Debra Hermesen. This award is given in memory of Don Eibey, who was an active conservationist in Delaware County for many years. The award recognizes a Delaware County farmer that has initiated a conservation program with long term goals to protect the resources of their farm. The Hermesen's farm is located three miles east of Manchester in section 36 of Delaware Twp. The Hermesen's were very active participants in the Spring Branch Watershed project. They have implemented contour farming and stripcropping, nutrient and manure management, pasture and grazing management, conservation tillage, and grassed waterways as conservation practices on their farm. These practices protect the resources on their farm and benefit the Spring Branch Trout Stream.



Conservation Award Winner

This year the SWCD proudly presents the 2000 Conservation Award to two winners. The first is **Robert First**, whose farm is located five miles east of Hopkinton in sections 25 and 26 of South Fork Twp. Robert farms on the contour, has installed over 4,500 feet of broadbase terraces and an extensive tile drainage system across his farm, maintains 2-3 acres of grassed waterways, has installed grassed headlands, and uses conservation tillage with 30% or more residue cover as part of his conservation plan.

The second conservation award winners are **Jerome and Alice Wulfekuhle**. Their farm is located five miles east of Hopkinton in sections 25, 26, 35, and 36 of South Fork Twp. The Wulfekuhle's plant their corn-soybean rotation using conservation tillage on the contour. They have installed over 3,300 feet of broadbase terraces, maintain grassed waterways, have enrolled critical areas into the CRP program, and in the past year have enrolled five acres of contour buffer strips and grassed headlands into the continuous CRP program.

Pictured L-R is Robert First and Jerome Wulfekuhle. Each received a conservation sign from the SWCD for display at their farm.

Windbreak Award Winner

The 2000 Farmstead Windbreak Award winners for Delaware County are Dennis and Melanie Glew and family. The Glew farm is located four miles east of Manchester in sections 1 and 2 of Milo Twp. In 1979 the Glew's planted a three-row windbreak with a row of honeysuckle shrubs, a row of arborvitae, and a row of Norway Spruce. The windbreak is over 300 feet long and almost 30 feet tall. It provides excellent protection for their farmstead, and also provides cover and protection for wildlife.





A farmstead windbreak provides protection for buildings, livestock, wildlife, and controls snowdrifts in protected areas, as well as enhancing the natural beauty of a farmstead. This windbreak is located on the Jim & Doris Bildstein farm in section 16 of Bremen Twp. and was the winner of the SWCD 1999 Farmstead Windbreak award.

JANUARY DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2001

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Streambank after



A stream bank stabilization project was completed on the Randy Fiddelke farm in Coffins Grove Twp. Randy used cost share funds through the Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) to repair the eroding stream bank with riprap. The bank stabilization also improves water quality and improves fish habitat.

FEBRUARY DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT **2001**

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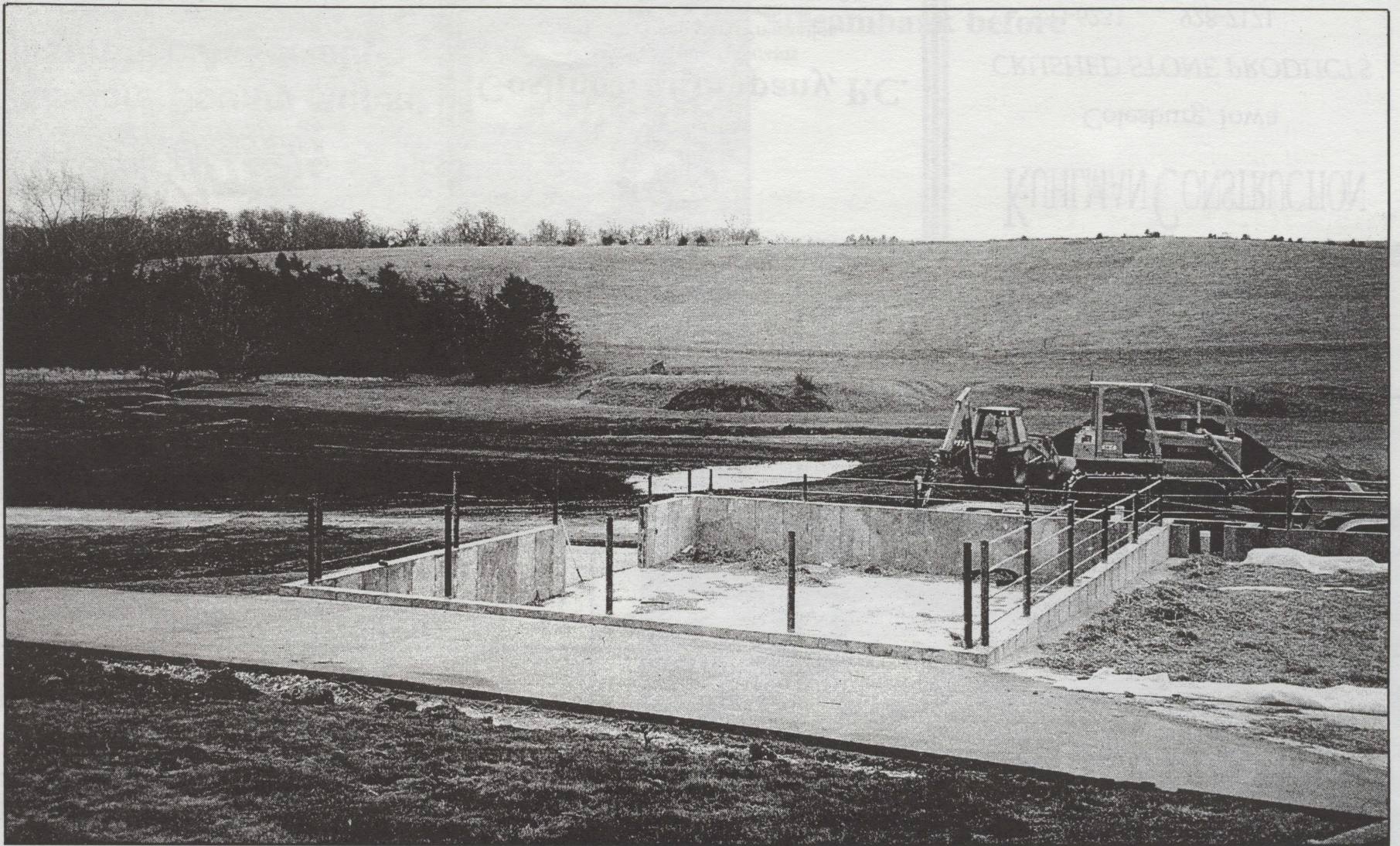
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Animal waste settling basins, such as this one located on the Al & Ruth Boge farm in Milo Twp., have many water quality benefits. By controlling manure runoff from livestock floors, producers are allowed more opportunities to properly apply and use the manure as fertilizer on their cropland. This project was completed in cooperation with the Lake Delhi Recreation Association. (LDRA).

MARCH DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2001

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Shallow water areas for wildlife located within or near cropland improve water quality by filtering out sediments and nutrients. They also help to enhance wildlife habitat. This shallow water area was constructed on the Dave and Donna Raus farm in Milo Twp. as part of the continuous CRP sign-up.

APRIL DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2001

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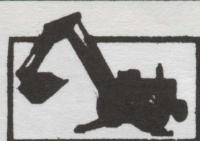
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DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

2001 TREE SALES PROGRAM

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No-till planting helps to reduce erosion by leaving the previous crop's residue on top of the ground. Ray Schlarman Jr. and his family have no-till planted beans into corn stalks to reduce soil erosion on their farm. The Schlarman farm is located in North Fork Twp.

JUNE DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2001

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George Bockenstedt uses a rotational grazing system on his farm in the Elk Creek Area Watershed. George pastures 40 acres to feed 30 stock cows. This system reduces sediment delivery and improves water quality in Elk Creek, a cold water trout stream.

JULY DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2001

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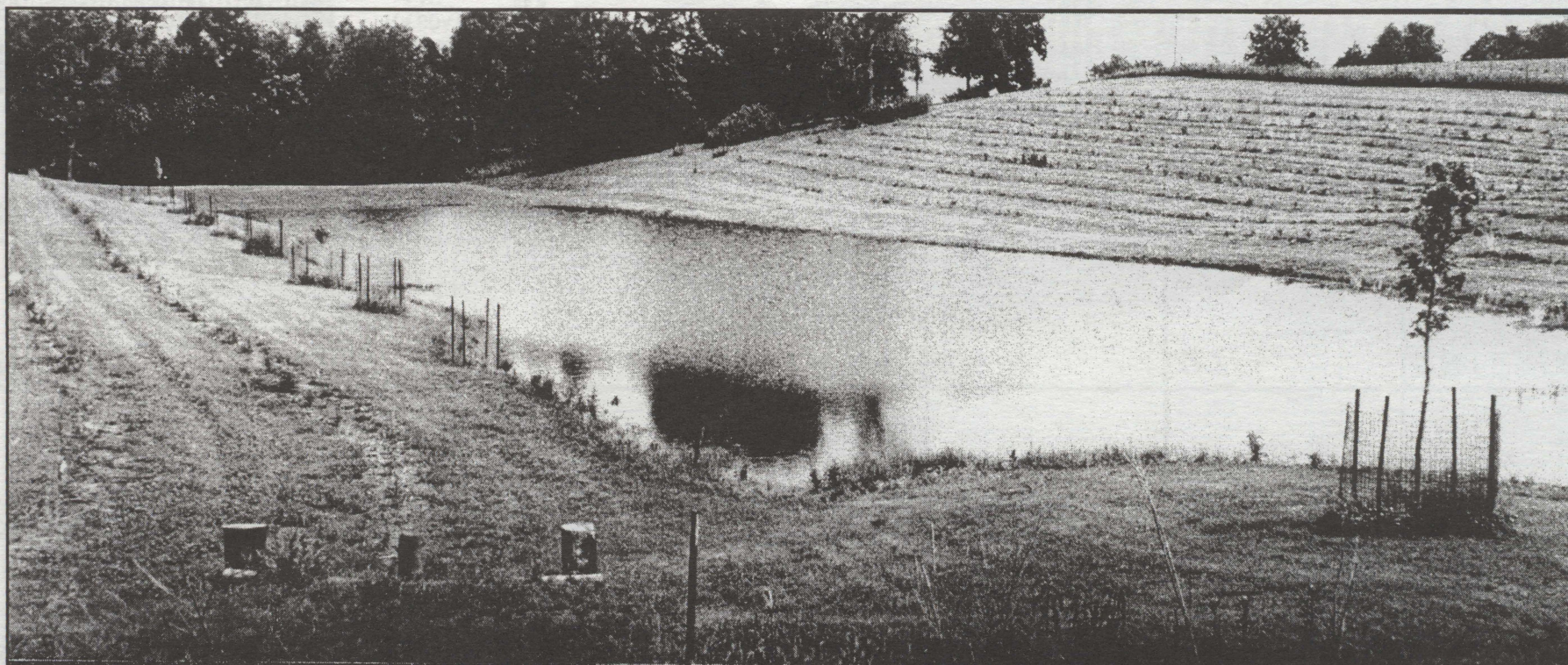
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A riparian buffer is a planting of trees on pasture or cropland that can intercept contaminants in both surface and ground water before they reach a water source. Riparian planting can also help improve eroding banks. This pond and riparian tree planting is located on the Mike Bries farm in Honey Creek Twp.

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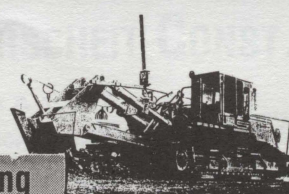


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Grassed waterways are located in areas of cropland where water concentrates as it flows off a field to help prevent gully erosion. This waterway is located on the John Jennerjohn farm in Coffins Grove Twp. New grassed waterways can be enrolled in the continuous CRP program.

SEPTEMBER DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2001

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OCTOBER DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2001

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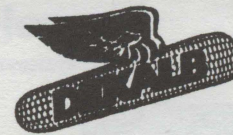
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This wetland is part of the 114 acre Wetland Reserve Project for Ruth Francois and family located in sections 22 & 23 of Coffins Grove Twp. The WRP provides water quality benefits and habitat for wildlife. These areas can be enrolled into a permanent easement.

DECEMBER DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2001

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