



BLACK HAWK SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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BLACK HAWK COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 1991 ANNUAL REPORT

1M BUDGET

July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991

Total Allocation	\$ 3,700.00
Commissioners Expenses	2,110.29
Office Supplies & Expenses	1,189.71
National & State Dues	<u>400.00</u>
Balance	\$.00

3M BUDGET

Cost Share Ledger 1990-1991

Original Allocation	\$30,441.00
Projects Completed	7,441.66
Balance to Date	4,337.39
Recalled to Dept. 12/91	18,661.95

Reap Practices Ledger 1991

Original Allocation	\$17,380.00
Projects completed	5,688.58
Recalled to Dept. 12/91	11,691.42

COMMISSIONERS REVOLVING FUND

Balance 7/1/90	\$ 230.80
Deposit	2,200.00
Expenditures	<u>2,387.07</u>
Balance 6/30/91	\$ 43.73

CONSERVATION ACCOMPLISHMENTS

New Cooperators	29
Landowners Assisted	230
Landowners Applying Practices	122
FSA Plans (Acres)	1,194
Conservation Plans (Acres)	2,752
Conservation Tillage (Acres)	2,874
Contours (Acres)	2,444
Windbreaks	14
Waterways (Acres)	40
Terraces (Feet)	9,550
Stripcropping (Acres)	244
Ponds	1
Tree Planting (Acres)	61
Total Land Benefited (Acres)	4,960
Wildlife Land Treated (Acres)	309

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1991 DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

-The commissioners reviewed ideas received at three public meetings held January 28, March 18 and May 13, 1991 to determine objectives and goals for their Soil and Water Resource Conservation Plan. The final plan was approved by the district commissioners on 5/23/91 and by the State Soil Conservation Committee on 6/25/91.

-Black Hawk, Bremer and Chickasaw Counties held a joint contractors meeting on February 4th in Waverly.

-The Krsnak-Runyan-Ward Memorial Scholarship of \$400 was awarded to Roger Erickson from Wade, Iowa this year.

-Twenty six applications were received for the 1991 scholarship sponsored by the Iowa Association of Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners Auxiliary. Peggy Myung was selected as Black Hawk District's applicant. She went on to win the regional competition and placed first in the state receiving a \$500.00 scholarship

-Over 150 churches received materials furnished by the District for the 1991 Soil and Water Stewardship Week. The observance was April 28 - May 5 and carried the theme of "As You Sow."

-The district manned a booth at the fourth annual Cedar River Festival in July and handed out pamphlets on conservation practices.

-In September at the National Cattle Congress Exposition, the district had a booth in the exhibit tent on Agriculture Day.

As Commissioners of the Black Hawk County Soil and Water Conservation District, we are proud of the progress that has been made on soil and water conservation work in Black Hawk County. This report is published not only to show the amount of conservation work completed, but also gives us the opportunity to say thank you to everyone supporting conservation programs in the county. We especially appreciate every landowner and operator who applied a conservation practice during the past year, the local media for publicity throughout the year and everyone who helped to make our district's program a success.

Soil conservation is the art and science of using land according to its capabilities and treating it according to its needs, to keep the soil permanently productive. The Black Hawk Soil and Water Conservation District stands ready to help landusers in meeting this objective by assisting them with any conservation problem.