



BLACK HAWK SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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BLACK HAWK SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 1993 ANNUAL REPORT

1M BUDGET

July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1993

Total Allocation	\$ 3,795.00
Commissioners Expenses	2,110.97
Office Supplies, postage & dues	<u>1,182.42</u>
Balance	\$ 1.61

3M BUDGET

Cost Share Ledger 1992-1993

Original Allocation	\$20,670.00
Projects Completed	12,822.05
Recalled to Dept. 12/93	\$7,847.95

REAP Practices Ledger 1993

Original Allocation	\$5,220.00
Projects Completed	5,210.57
Recalled to Dept. 12/93	\$9.43

REAP Forestry Ledger 1993

Original Allocation	\$1,345.00
Projects Completed	1,145.95
Recalled to Dept. 12/93	\$199.05

COMMISSIONERS REVOLVING FUND

Balance 7/1/92	\$ 198.57
Deposit	4,721.25
Expenditures	4,698.02
Balance 6/30/93	\$ 221.80

CONSERVATION ACCOMPLISHMENTS

New Cooperators	30
Landowners Assisted	504
Landowners Applying Practices	155
FSA Plans Revised (Acres)	1,881
FSA Plans Applied (Acres)	4,158
Conservation Plans (Acres)	2,512
Conservation Tillage (Acres)	4,774
Contours (Acres)	1,862
Contour Stripcropping (Acres)	139
Cropland Treated (Acres)	6,377
Tree Planting - REAP (Acres)	3.7
Terraces (Feet)	8,430
Windbreaks (Acres)	14
Waterways (Acres)	52
Water & Sediment Control Basin	6
Wildlife Land Treated (Acres)	102
Wildlife Wetland Habitat Mgmt (Acres)	2
Tons of Soil Saved	32,045

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1993 DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

-The Krsnak-Runyan-Ward Memorial Scholarship of \$400 was awarded to Drew F. DeLang from Burlington this year.

-A recognition luncheon for the MAX participants was held at the Hawkeye Community College on February 23.

-A Windbreak Workshop was held at Hawkeye Community College on February 24.

-The annual contractors meeting was held on March 2 here at the Waterloo Field Office.

-Black Hawk SWCD was host for Region 4's Spring Regional Meeting that was held in Cedar Falls on March 9 at the Broom Factory.

-A Tillage Informational Meeting was held on March 15 at the Izaak Walton Clubhouse with 65 people in attendance.

-The Waterloo Savings Bank sponsored a booth for the district at the Hawkeye Farm Show that was held at the UNI dome in March. The district featured water quality and demonstrated the groundwater flow model they purchased in February.

-A slide set entitled "Choked Streams and Clogged Waterways" was shown at West High for Earth Day on April 14th.

-"Hands of Healing" was the theme for the 1993 Soil and Water Stewardship Week that was observed April 25 - May 2. The district furnished materials to over 150 churches in Black Hawk County.

-The District, ASCS, Extension and SCS sponsored a Women Landowners Seminar on June 8th at the Broom Factory.

-The Izaak Walton League Windbreak Award was presented to Wes Schons from Waterloo for the Farmstead Windbreak category and Duane Craft from La Porte City for the Newly Established Farmstead Windbreak category.

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

-The Good Year/NACD Conservation Awards Program selected the Black Hawk Soil and Water Conservation District as recipient of the Honor District award for the Northern Iowa Division in recognition of their continued record of excellence.

This report is published not only to show the conservation work completed, but 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.



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IN MEMORY

This newsletter is dedicated to Janeen Seehase, a nine year member of our board, who tragically died on January 28th of exposure near her farm home in rural Jesup. We will miss Janeen and remember her as an energetic leader for conservation and a devoted steward of the land.

WINDBREAK WINNERS

Congratulations to Wes Schons and Duane Craft for being the 1993 recipients of the Izaak Walton League Windbreak Awards for Black Hawk County.

Wes Schons from Waterloo received recognition in the Farmstead Windbreak category with his eleven year old windbreak consisting of one row of Black Hills Spruce, one row of Colorado Blue Spruce and one row of Concolor Fir.

Duane Craft from La Porte City was entered in the Newly Established Farmstead Windbreak category with one row of Arborvitae, one row of White Pine and one row of Black Hills Spruce making up his four year old windbreak.

These well managed windbreaks will protect their homes and farm buildings for many years.



Shown from left to right are Wes Schons, Duane Craft and Black Hawk SWCD Commissioner Chair, L Jeanette Winegarden.

Many thanks to the Retired Senior Volunteers for labeling and sorting our newsletter. We sincerely appreciate their efforts.

THANK YOU!

The Hawkeye Farm Show was held on March 22, 23 and 24 at the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls. This is the third year the district has participated in this show and it has been made possible because of the continued financial support of the Waterloo Savings Bank. On behalf of the commissioners and staff, we again wish to extend a BIG thank you and a note of appreciation to the Waterloo Savings Bank for sponsoring our booth again this year. We sincerely appreciate their support.

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FOR SALE AT OUR OFFICE
\$8.00/100



YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The theme of the 40th annual Soil and Water Stewardship Week is "Partners in Stewardship" and will be celebrated April 24-May 1, 1994. The concept of forming partnerships to better serve the environmental needs of our community is being emphasized by the Black Hawk Soil and Water Conservation District and we are encouraging interested organizations and individuals to join in the observance. Working together, we can create a productive climate in which the vast majority of people practice environmental stewardship well and gladly.

All programs and services of the Soil Conservation Service are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, or handicap.