

Dickinson County Soil & Water Conservation District 2003 Annual Report

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2003 Highlights

January

- Election of officers: Mark Ingwersen, Chair; Chris Hoffman, Vice Chair; Scott Mitchell, Secretary; Orville Berg, Treasurer
- Tom Koster, Curt Smith and Keith Van Kleek are appointed Assistant Commissioners
- Clean Water Alliance Meeting held

February

- Terril High School Envirothon Team is sponsored by the SWCD to compete at Regional Envirothon in Cherokee
- IDNR begins a Phase II assessment of the Iowa Great Lakes Watershed.
- Minnesota Clean Water Alliance Meeting held

March

- A 319 proposal was submitted for an urban Low Impact Development project
- District Newsletter published

April

- Commissioners distribute trees for each 6th grade student in Dickinson County to the schools
- Nursery stock was delivered and Foundation Tree Sale was concluded for 2003
- Stewardship material distributed to area churches
- Terrill High School Envirothon Team receives Wildlife and Forestry awards at State Envirothon competition

May

- Molly Mitchell of Harris-Lake Park was the recipient of the Jo Groves Memorial Scholarship and Amy Radcliffe of Spirit Lake was the recipient of the SWCD Foundation Scholarship

June

- Joint ISU Extension and SWCD bus tour held

July

- District Newsletter published

August

- Donna Buell begins as Clean Water Alliance Coordinator

September

- 25th Annual Outdoor Classroom was held at Kettleson Hogsback with 187 6th graders from Okoboji, Spirit Lake and Terril School Districts participating
- Staff assisted with Clay County Fair SWCD Booth
- Mark Ingwersen, Chris Hoffman, Scott Mitchell and Carroll Oskvig attend CDI Regional meeting

October

- Notified that we have received a Farm Bureau grant for \$2500 to coordinate with the 319 urban Low Impact Development project

November

- Notified that we have received a Water Quality Commission grant for \$2500 to coordinate with the 319 urban Low Impact Development project
- The Commissioners purchase a new district-owned laptop and a desktop computer

December

- SWCD Foundation Tree Sale begins
- District Newsletter published
- Notified that we have received 319 funding for an urban Low Impact Development project

Conservation Practice Statistics:

4600+ feet of continuous CRP waterways
 600+ feet of water and sediment basins
 2000+ feet of farm windbreaks and field windbreaks
 18+ acres of continuous CRP filter strips
 40+ acres of continuous CRP wildlife habitat buffers
 280+ acres of continuous CRP Wetland Restorations
 100+ acres of general CRP signup
 730+ acres of Wetland Reserve Program easements accepted
 190+ acres of WRP restoration work



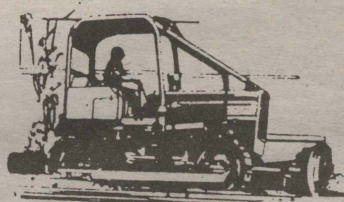
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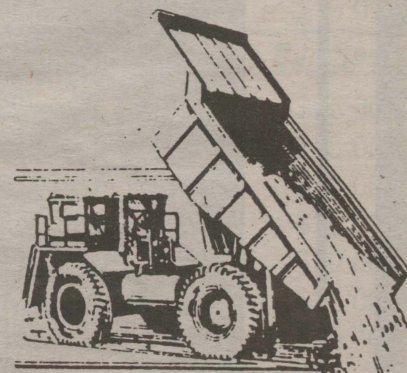
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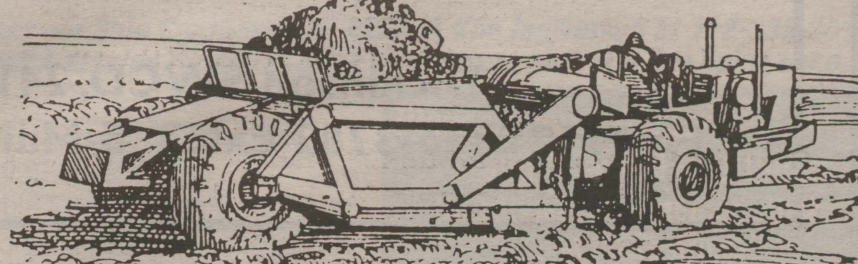
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1M Budget – District

Funds provided by the State of Iowa for printing costs, office supplies and equipment, District Commissioner's mileage and associated travel expenses

Allocation	\$ 1,500.00
Supplemental Allocations	\$ 405.00
	1,905.00
Less:	
Commissioner Expenses	\$ 649.79
Office Supplies & Equip.	\$ 94.86
Printing	\$ 36.00
Postage	\$ 420.78
Meeting Expense, Dues	\$ 712.50
	\$ 1,913.93

3M Budget – Iowa Financial Incentives Program

Allocation	\$ 6,174.00
Amount Obligated/Spent	\$ 2,967.71
Unobligated Amount	\$ 3,206.29

Resource Enhancement & Protection (REAP)

Allocation	Practices	\$ 00.00 No Funds Available
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Forestry & Native Grasses

Allocation	\$ 3,210.00
Amount Obligated/Spent	\$ 2,010.00
Unobligated Amount	\$ 1,200.00

Publicly Owned Lakes

Allocation	\$ 9,722.00
Amount Obligated/Spent	\$ 00.00
Unobligated Amount	\$ 9,722.00

County Tree Reserve

Balance Forward from 2002	\$ 1,177.17
2003 Allocation	\$ 500.00
Amount Obligated/Spent	\$ 677.17
Balance Remaining	\$ 1,000.00

The Dickinson SWCD Foundation Commissioners were pleased to award two \$500 scholarships to deserving Dickinson County High School Seniors this past May. The Commissioners extend their congratulations to both scholarship recipients and extend their best wishes while they strive towards their career goals.

District Scholarship awarded to Jessica A. Radcliffe

Jessica is the daughter of Tom and Wendy Radcliffe of Spirit Lake. Jessica was active in 4-H and the Multi-Occupational Cooperative Program at Spirit Lake High School.



Jessica plans to major in Ag-Business. She is currently enrolled at South Dakota State University.

The District Scholarship is limited to applicants who wish to continue their education in any field of agriculture or natural resources.

Jo Groves Memorial Scholarship awarded to Molly A. Mitchell

Molly is the daughter of Scott and Jan Mitchell of Lake Park. Molly was active in sports and music while maintaining high academic standards at Harris-Lake Park High School.

Molly's career interests are in elementary education and communications. She is currently enrolled at Simpson College.

This scholarship is given in memory of Jo Groves, SWCD District Secretary, from November, 1989 to March, 1994.



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2003 District Conservationist Report

by: Carroll Oskvig,
NRCS District Conservationist

The Dickinson SWCD was involved in assisting landowners with many projects in 2003. The following items highlight these activities:

- Seven Wetland Reserve contracts were accepted for over 754 acres. Wetlands will be restored and uplands seeded to cover which will enhance wildlife habitat and water quality.
- Two Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) contracts were written. Both of these contracts will include an animal waste system for cattle. The waste from over 4,000 head of cattle will be stored in these animal waste systems. Manure from these operations will be applied to upland in ways to protect water quality and yet maximize the nutrient value of the manure. One of these contracts also included pest management, which will also benefit water quality by ensuring herbicides, fertilizer and materials are applied to protect water quality.
- Three Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) meetings were held by the Dickinson County Local Work Group to establish the sign-up guidelines and ranking criteria for 2003.
- Maxine Butler served as the Acting State Secretary in Palo Alto County for four months.
- Eight Earth Team Volunteers donated 2,252 hours in 2003. Without their efforts, many projects would not have been completed. These volunteers included: Mike Rohlk, Deanne Anderson, Sue Ehret, Steve Anderson, Kory Boekout, Ike Petersen, Bill Fitzgerald and Donna Buell.
- I completed the ISU pesticide application and manure applicator training courses.

- New Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) staff included: Ike Petersen, Iowa Great Lakes Water Quality Specialist; Donna Buell, Clean Water Alliance Coordinator; Bill Fitzgerald, Farm Bill Implementation Project Specialist; and Curt Smith, DSC Temporary CRP Technician. Each of these staff brought a wealth of knowledge and background to our office staff.
- I completed a Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) course in area-wide conservation planning.
- Our field office received a monetary award for the second highest number of Earth Team Volunteer hours in Northwest Iowa in 2003.
- I served as Northwest Iowa's representative to the NRCS State Civil Rights Committee in 2003. I also attended the National NRCS Hispanic Conference held in Des Moines.
- A \$2,500 Iowa Farm Bureau grant was received for an urban low impact development project.
- Fourteen certified wetland determinations were completed.
- Maxine Butler and several other field office staff assisted the SWCD Commissioners and IDNR staff in setting up the 25th Annual Outdoor Classroom at IDNR's Kettleson-Hogsback Wildlife Management area.
- Two permanent easements were completed by the SWCD. One is located on the west side of Big Spirit Lake and the other on the east side of West Lake Okoboji.
- Thirty acres of native grass seeding was seeded with SWCD cost-share assistance in conjunction with the Drainage District 22 project in Spirit Lake.
- The SWCD held a joint bus tour highlighting conservation and production practices with Dickinson County Extension Service. 34 people were in attendance.
- Thirty Continuous Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) plans for thirty acres and

- two general CRP plans for over one hundred acres were written.
- Thirteen National Resource Inventory (NRI) sampling units were completed.

I want to give a special thanks to all the landowners, clients, agency partners, volunteers and commissioners for making 2003 a very successful year in preserving, protecting and enhancing our natural resources.

CONSERVATION PLANNING ON THE FARM

by: Tim Moran, Soil Conservation Technician and Curt Smith, Temporary CRP Technician

It's time to starting making conservation plans for 2004 that can benefit your operation and give you a head start on implementing needed practices in the spring.

A few of the many practices to consider include:

Grassed Waterways- To help convey runoff water and reduce gully erosion. Cost-share and/or rental payments are available through Continuous Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) which is administered by FSA and Iowa Financial Incentive Program (IFIP) and Resource Enhancement And Protection (REAP) state cost-share programs.

Terraces or Water and Sediment Basins - Help address soil erosion and runoff concerns by holding storm runoff for short periods of time and allowing subsurface drainage with less stress to crops. Cost-share to implement these practices may be applied for through IFIP, REAP and Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

Grass Filterstrips- A Continuous CRP practice which is administered by FSA, it is a buffer next to a stream which filters sediments and nutrients coming from the crop field. Wildlife habitat enhancement is another benefit of this practice.

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Wetland Restorations- A possible option for drown-out spots and a way to provide more wildlife habitat on the farm. Farm Bill programs including CRP which is administered by FSA, Wetland Reserve Program (WRP) and Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) provide a source of assistance.

Farmstead and Field Windbreaks-

Arrangements of rows of trees and shrubs planted in a windbreak around the farmstead or strategically placed in the field to address snow drifting and soil erosion concerns. Programs are available through REAP, IFIP and Continuous CRP which is administered by FSA.

Additional practices and programs for pastures, crop management and wildlife habitat enhancement are available. If you are considering any of the practices listed in this article or have a unique conservation need, we can develop a conservation practice that will fit your requirements.

(At the present time funding through REAP and IFIP state cost-share programs is not available, but we encourage interested landowners to continue to make applications.)

CONSERVATION PLANNING FOR WILDLIFE

By: Bill Fitzgerald,
Conservation Aide

When landowners enroll their land in conservation practices there can be many benefits to the environment. Soil erosion is reduced. Soil compaction from decades of production is reversed. Water quality is improved with reduced runoff and the filtering properties of grasses and wetlands. A side benefit to conservation, which is of interest to many, is that it provides habitat for wildlife. Those who are interested in implementing a conservation practice, therefore, should know how best to plant for wildlife.

One of the best ways to meet the needs of upland birds, e.g. pheasants, is to plant a diverse mix of native grasses, legumes, and forbs (wildflowers). The native grasses, such as big bluestem, Indian grass, and switch grass, provide excellent nesting habitat, hiding birds and their nests from predators. These grasses also stand up well to heavy snow and strong winds so they provide much better winter cover than a stand of brome. The legumes and forbs attract insects when they flower which is critical to the survival of pheasant chicks as insects are their main food source. Their seeds are also provide a food source high in oils which help birds survive the winter.

Restoring a wetland is an outstanding way to provide habitat for almost all wildlife. A wetland obviously will be utilized by waterfowl, but for nesting purposes it should have at least 100 feet of buffer in native grasses around it. Ducks will make their nests in this buffer and it will help to hide them from predators.

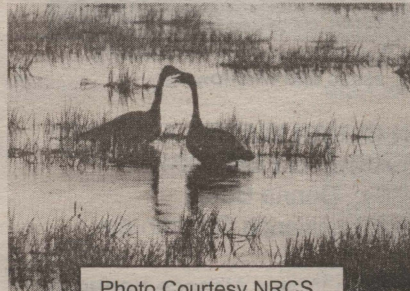


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A marsh with a good stand of cattails and rushes is also the first choice of pheasants for cover in harsh winter weather.

Many landowners want trees in their plans for wildlife also. There are trade-offs when planting trees, though. Although trees provide cover, they also result in greater losses to predation. The more trees you have, especially large deciduous trees, the more raccoons, hawks, owls, and other predators you will have. A good stand of native grasses and wetland vegetation should provide enough cover for pheasants to survive most conditions. If trees are desired, consider smaller shrubs and conifers. These will provide a good

windbreak from ground blizzards while providing limited predator habitat and perches.



Photo Courtesy NRCS

Food plots of corn, sorghum, sunflowers, etc. are also beneficial to wildlife. In Iowa, though, fields with waste grain are usually close by. A food plot, therefore, can often be of more benefit to the hunter than to wildlife. Planting a food plot should be based whether it is truly needed.

When making your conservation plan, consider all these elements to meet the habitat needs of wildlife and you will maximize the benefits to the environment as a whole.

WRP -- WETLANDS RESERVE PROGRAM

By: Ike Petersen
Watershed Specialist

The Wetlands Reserve Program is the Nation's premier wetland program. It is a voluntary program that offers landowners the means and the opportunity to protect, restore and enhance wetlands on their property. The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) manages the program as well as provides technical and financial support to help landowners who participate in WRP.

The Wetlands Reserve Program:

- Is a voluntary program offered nation wide.
- The program has three options, permanent easement, 30-year easement, and 10 year cost-share agreement.
- The easement programs offer a payment, based on the agricultural value, for wetlands that have previously been drained and converted to agricultural uses.



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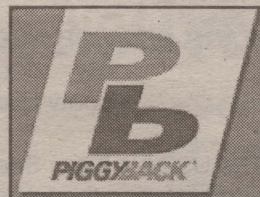
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- Pays up to 100 percent reimbursement for the restoration costs.
- Lets landowners maintain ownership and control of land. They have the right to hunt, fish, trap, and pursue other appropriate recreational uses. However, public access is not required.
- The landowner may request uses which are compatible with protecting and enhancing the wetland and associated upland habitat. For example, NRCS may approve haying, grazing, or harvesting of timber under certain conditions, depending on amount, method, timing, and duration. These requests may be made throughout the life of the easement or agreement.
- Allows for land, including any easement, to be sold.
- Provides additional benefits for the entire community:
 - Improved water quality
 - Enhanced habitat for wildlife
 - Reduced soil erosion
 - Reduced flooding
 - Improved water supply

This program gives landowners an opportunity to protect our natural resources, not only for the present but also to provide necessary protection for the future generations.

In 2003, Dickinson County enrolled 7 permanent easements for a total of 754 acres. Some of these easements are in the Iowa Great Lakes Watershed and not only are they very beneficial for water quality, they also provide excellent wildlife habitat.

Landowners may sign up any time at the local NRCS office in the USDA Service Center. Periodically, NRCS will rank all eligible applications and submit them to the agency's national office for funding consideration. This program has limited funds and may not be available in the future, please come in if you are interested and we can visit about this very attractive program.

25th Annual Outdoor Classroom

The Dickinson Soil & Water Conservation District sponsored their 25th annual Outdoor Classroom for all Dickinson County 6th graders on Tuesday, September 9 at the Kettleton-Hogsback area.

Students from Okoboji, Spirit Lake and Terril schools learned about IOWATER testing, cultural resources including local history and artifacts, waterfowl, orphaned & injured wildlife, soils, the Help-A-Habitat program, wild flowers,

soybean and corn by-products, retriever dog field trials and the Kettleton-Hogsback area.

The classes were taught by members of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Dickinson Soil and Water Conservation District, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, the Dickinson County Conservation Board, the Maritime Museum, Orphaned and Injured Wildlife and the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation.



Tim Moran, NRCS Soil Conservation Technician, describes native grasses and wildflowers

**DICKINSON CLEAN WATER ALLIANCE
PLANNING FOR 2004**

By: Donna Buell
Clean Water Alliance Coordinator

The Dickinson Clean Water Alliance began in 1990 to bring governmental and non-governmental organizations together to improve communication and coordination on water quality improvement projects in Dickinson County and its watersheds. In 1998, we developed the First Long Range Water Plan with goals and objectives and lean organizations to implement those objectives. The Plan was updated in 2000, and will be updated again in 2004.

Today there is an even stronger push from agencies and granting sources to demonstrate collaboration and to strengthen coordinator of expertise and resources to be eligible for funding. The Clean Water Alliance has thirteen years of experience under its belt, and is once again considering how best to meet these new demands and opportunities, as other watershed groups across the state are doing.

FARM SERVICE AGENCY ANNUAL REPORT

By: Larry D. Lago
County Executive Director

The USDA's Farm Service Agency has been administering the Federal Government's single largest environmental improvement program on private lands – and one of its most effective, the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).

Countless lakes, rivers, ponds, and streams are cleaner, healthier, and more useful and millions of acres of American topsoil have been protected from erosion improving air quality, increasing wildlife habitat, and protecting ground surface water by reducing water runoff and sedimentation because of CRP.

Even more impressive, instead of mandating participation, the program uses financial incentives to encourage farmers and ranchers to voluntarily establish valuable conservation practices. CRP's success is accomplished through local voluntary partnerships between individuals and Government. Under CRP contracts, farmers are compensated for planting permanent covers of grass and trees on environmentally sensitive lands, where vegetation can improve water quality, or provide food and habitat for wildlife. This use of volunteerism helps make the CRP one of the most effective Federal conservation programs in operation today, providing environmental and economic benefits for all Americans, both on and off the farm.

In September 1996, USDA implemented efforts to enroll high-priority conservation practices through a continuous signup process. Producers have the opportunity to sign up for these practices on a continuous basis and to receive additional financial incentives. Eligible practices include filter strips, riparian buffers, grass waterways, shelterbelts, field windbreaks, living snow fences, salt-tolerant vegetation, wetland restoration, farmable wetlands, and shallow water areas for wildlife. While in previous years the program was aimed at protecting highly erodible soil, today it also emphasizes enhancing riparian areas and protecting wetlands and flood plains. These important areas offer diverse and unique habitats critical to many wildlife species. A vital part of CRP is its emphasis on the enrollment and restoration of wetlands that have been farmed (Farmable Wetlands). Wetlands provide important habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife – especially many threatened and endangered species. Wetland acreage also filters out pollution and sediment and improves water quality, and it serves as an important flood control mechanism by slowing the flow of water. Healthy wetlands are vital to the recharging of underground aquifers. CRP restores and expands America's wetlands for the health and enjoyment of current and future generations.

CRP emphasizes cost-effectiveness and voluntary partnership with farmers and ranchers. For most lands enrolled in the program, farmers must bid for CRP contracts competitively during "general" signup periods, maximizing the power

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of each dollar spent. Through competitive general signups, continuous signup, and CREP, only the most environmentally sensitive land is accepted, while less vulnerable farmland remains in production. The result is an effort that targets the most sensitive land and helps farmers by providing a stable income while keeping more productive farmland planted with food and fiber at a competitive cost.

The General CRP offer process accepts only the most environmentally sensitive land, yielding the greatest environmental benefits. The Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) is used to classify and rank land offered for enrollment in CRP during a general signup. Scores are based on the expected environmental improvement in soil resources, water quality, wildlife habitat, and other resource concerns during the time the land is to be enrolled in the program. Each offer submitted by a producer is assigned a point score based on its relative environmental benefits, and is compared nationally with all other offers. Offers are accepted or rejected based on the resulting ranking.

The EBI is composed of six environmental factors plus a cost factor. The six environmental factors are:

- ☐ Wildlife
- ☐ Water Quality
- ☐ Erosion
- ☐ Enduring Benefits
- ☐ Air Quality Benefits From Reduced Wind Erosion
- ☐ State or National Conservation Priority Areas (CPA's)

The Dickinson County Farm Service agency has been very busy this past year with the following practices and acres being enrolled in the CRP program:

	No.	Acres Installed
Field Windbreaks	1	1.8
Waterways	3	5.3
Shallow Water Areas for Wildlife	2	14.7
Grasses and Trees already established	1	41.2
Contour Grass Strips	1	4.5
Shelterbelts	1	1.7
Filterstrips	7	25.0
Wetland Restorations	1	76.1
Rare and Endangered Habitat	1	70.8
Farmable Wetlands Pilot Project	30	251.7
Marginal Pasture Wildlife Habitat Buffer	4	42.3
Total		535.1

Dickinson County Farm Service Agency has an accumulative approved total active enrollment for the following types of land practices in CRP:

	No. of Farms	Acres Enrolled
Permanent Introduced Grasses	5	109.2
Permanent Native Grasses	28	661.7
Tree plantings	2	4.7
Wildlife Habitats	39	1,855.8
Field Windbreaks	8	23.5
Waterways	45	80.5
Shallow Water Areas for Wildlife	10	120.4
Grasses and Trees already established	23	566.1
Wildlife Foodplots	10	21.5
Contour Grass Strips	9	48.5
Shelterbelts	11	14.1
Filterstrips	54	423.7
Riparian Buffers	25	491.6
Wetland Restorations	19	1042.0
Rare and Endangered Habitat	3	21.4
Farmable Wetlands Pilot Project	37	739.6
Marginal Pasture Wildlife Habitat Buffer	4	42.3
Total		6266.6

As a result of the CRP enrollments in Dickinson County the Farm Service Agency issued rental payments totaling \$680,625 for the 2003 fiscal year.

IDNR BIG SIOUX WILDLIFE UNIT

By: Chris LaRue
Wildlife Biologist

In the Iowa Great Lakes the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Big Sioux Wildlife Unit has been busy with development and management of public lands. The strong partnership with the Dickinson County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) staff have again shown in 2003 how conservation partners can work together to benefit the IGL watershed, wildlife, and Dickinson County.

The Big Sioux Unit has been working intensively on native prairie restoration in old brome fields. While restoring more native prairie some additional food plots are also being added to enhance wildlife management. The Welch Lake Watershed Project along Highway 86 is nearing total completion and is listed as one of the highest quality watershed projects in the State of Iowa. This wetland complex has 314 acres of diverse wetland/marsh that will help provide

critical watershed protection for the north end of West Lake Okoboji.

The IDNR private lands program has also continued to march forward with the continued help from SWCD, NRCS, Pheasants Forever, and other conservation partners to serve the growing interest in conservation and wildlife mgmt. on private lands. The flexibility and financial opportunities in the Continuous CRP,

FWP, WRP, and EQIP programs has added some wonderful water quality and wildlife habitat to Iowa's landscape in the last year.

Environmental Quality Incentives Program Sign-up (1/5/04)

The sign-up guidelines for the Dickinson County 2004 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) will soon be announced.

Some of the proposed conservation practices for the 2004 sign-up include:

- Connection to Rural Water Supply (for prescribed grazing systems)
- Composting facility (for livestock systems)
- Critical Area Planting (for erosion control and livestock waste systems)
- Diversion (for erosion control and animal waste systems)
- Fencing (for prescribed grazing and animal waste systems)
- Grade Stabilization Structure (for erosion control systems)
- Heavy Use Protection (for prescribed grazing systems)
- Mulch (for livestock waste and erosion control systems)

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- Nutrient Management (for land management systems)
- Pasture and Hayland Planting (for prescribed grazing systems)
- Pest Management (for land management systems)
- Pipeline (for grazing systems)
- Prescribed Grazing (for prescribed grazing systems)
- Pumping Plant for Water Control (for prescribed grazing systems)
- Residue Management (for land management systems)
- Sediment Basin (for livestock waste systems)
- Roof Runoff Structure (for livestock waste systems)
- Subsurface Drain (for erosion control and livestock waste systems)
- Terrace (for erosion control systems)
- Trough or tank (for prescribed grazing systems)
- Underground Outlet (for erosion control systems)
- Use Exclusion (for prescribed grazing systems)
- Well (for prescribed grazing systems)
- Waste Storage Facility (for livestock waste systems)
- Waste Treatment Lagoons (for livestock waste systems)
- Water and Sediment Control Basin (for livestock waste systems)

Other proposed EQIP sign-up criteria include: setting contract lengths from 5 to 10 years depending upon the practice; providing a 75% cost-share rate for beginning and limited resource farmers for structural practices for the first the \$50,000 of the contract, and a 50% cost-share rate for the remaining amount (all other applicants will receive 50% cost-share rate; and providing incentive payments for certain practices. Contact the NRCS for more information.



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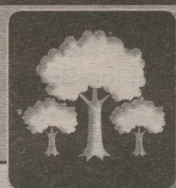
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Green Ash	4-5 ft.	\$15.00 bdl
Red Oak	2-3 ft.	\$20.00 bdl
Silver Maple	4-5 ft.	\$20.00 bdl

Trees - Bareroot Stock Sold in Bundles of 25

Green Ash	3-4 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
Hackberry	2-3 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
Sugar Maple	2-3 ft.	\$50.00 bdl
Black Walnut	2-3 ft.	\$31.25 bdl
Golden Willow	2-3 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
Hybrid Willow (Austree)	2-3 ft.	\$31.25 bdl

Bareroot Stock - Evergreens

Concolor Fir	7-15 in.	\$20.00 bdl (10)
Eastern Red Cedar	15-18 in.	\$50.00 bdl (25)

Shrubs - Bareroot Stock Sold in Bundles of 10

Common Lilac	2-3 ft.	\$10.00 bdl
Late Bloom Lilac	2-3 ft.	\$10.00 bdl
Amur Maple	2-3 ft.	\$10.00 bdl
Common Ninebark	2-3 ft.	\$15.00 bdl

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Caragana	2-3 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
Nanking Cherry	2-3 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
Chokecherry	2-3 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
Cotoneaster	2-3 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
Cranberry Bush	18-24 in.	\$50.00 bdl
Redosier Dogwood	3-4 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
Hawkeye Honeysuckle	2-3 ft.	\$25.00 bdl
American Plum	2-3 ft.	\$25.00 bdl

Potted Evergreens

Scotch Pine	15-18 in.	\$8.00	Colorado Spruce	15-18 in.	\$8.00 ea.
Black Hills Spruce	15-18 in.	\$8.00	Colorado Spruce	18-24 in.	\$11.00 ea.
Black Hills Spruce	18-24 in.	\$11.00	Eastern Red Cedar	12-15 in.	\$8.00 ea.

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