



1985 ANNUAL REPORT

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As Commissioners of the Cherokee District, we are appreciative and grateful for the excellent cooperation and assistance given by so many individuals, organizations, agencies, businesses and news media for their continuing interest in furthering the conservation in our county.

Commissioners

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Linda Bindner - Chairperson
Max E. Mugge - Vice-chairman
Loren Schuett - Treasurer
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Ron Dudley - Cherokee Co. Conservation Board
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Field Office Staff

Scott Osborn - District Conservationist
Jeff Kestel - Soil Conservationist
Renee Braun - Soil Conservationist
Jo Ann Easton - Soil Technician
Dana Holland - State Technician
Carol Hein - Clerk, District Secretary

Soil Survey Office

Dale Ceolla - Soil Scientist, Party Leader
David Reeves - Soil Scientist
Michael Hosbein - Soil Scientist

Your Soil Conservation District is at Your Service

Did you know that your Soil Conservation District provides a number of useful services to landowners and operators interested in solving their resource problems

Our District Office staff are available to help you plan proper effective soil conservation systems. These services include the planning, lay out, and design of conservation practices such as terraces, waterways, contour lines and windbreaks. There is no cost to the land-user for this assistance.

The Soil Conservation District also provides cost share assistance and incentive payments to help land-users defer part of the cost of installing certain conservation practices.

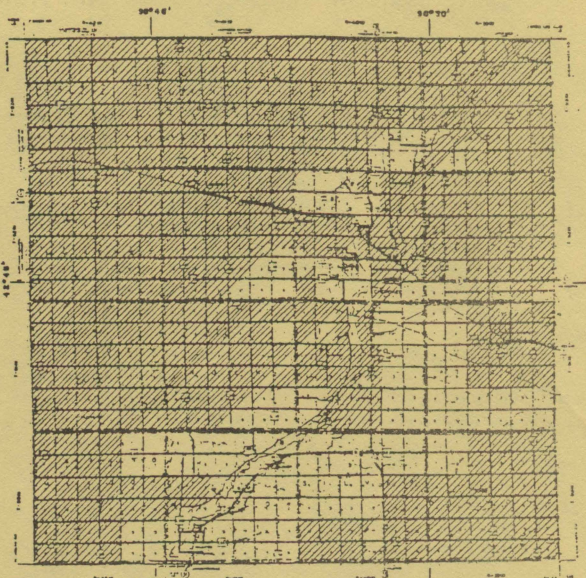
Please feel free to contact our office for more information on the services we can provide.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 10/1/84 - 9/30/85

District Cooperators	No. 26 & Ac. 5,983
Conservation Plans	Ac. 6,705
Terraces	Ft. 206,357
Conservation Tillage	Ac. 3,624
Contouring	Ac. 3,189
Farmstead/Feedlot Windbreak	Ac. 38
Cropland Benefitted	Ac. 7,525
Waterway	Ac. 53
Iowa 2000 Folders	No. 125 & Ac. 20,480
Soil Survey Mapped	Ac. 80,090

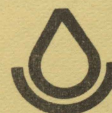
Soil Survey Progress

CHEROKEE COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT IOWA



FINANCIAL REPORT JULY 1, 1984 - JUNE 30, 1985

I-M Budget Allocation		\$1,800.00
Expenses:		
Commissioners Expense		1,288.14
Office Supplies & Expense		334.03
Balance		\$177.83
3-M Allocation 83-84		\$46,712.00
Funds Paid Out	\$46,273.54	
Funds Released	438.46	
	\$46,712.00	\$46,712.00
3-M Allocation 84-85		\$49,914.00
Funds Paid Out	\$36,091.12	
Funds Obligated	13,777.72	
Funds Unobligated	45.16	
	\$49,914.00	\$49,914.00
District Watershed Maintenance Funds		
Balance on Hand 7/1/84		\$78,003.08
Watershed Payments	\$ 127.50	
Interest Received	6,902.93	
Sub-Total	7,030.43	\$85,033.51
Expenses		1,692.06
Balance on Hand 6/30/85		\$83,341.45
District General Fund		
Balance on Hand 7/1/84		\$ 3,505.22
Income		4,696.18
Sub-Total		\$8,201.40
Expenses		4,561.52
Balance on Hand 6/30/85		\$ 3,639.88



DISTRICT ACTIVITIES OF 1985

In 1985 there were 12 regular meetings and 2 special meetings. The monthly meeting is held the third Tuesday at the District Office in Cherokee. Anyone who is interested in soil and water conservation is invited to attend.

JANUARY

The reorganizational meeting was held on January 2. The Commissioners voted to retain all offices as they were in 1984.

Bindner attended the 39th Annual Short Course in Des Moines on Jan. 15 & 16.

FEBRUARY

The District's first quarterly newsletter was begun.

Commissioner Schuett spoke at the Tri-State Tillage Expo in Sioux City Feb. 21.

The Plymouth-Cherokee Counties joint contractors meeting was held Feb. 28 in Cherokee at the Community Center.

The Slough Bill went into effect, and the Commissioners adopted the Annual Work Plan.

MARCH

Iowa Soil 2000 got underway with a meeting at the Larrabee Community Center on Mar. 7 with each landowner receiving a conservation folder. The targeted area was 20,000 acres in Spring Township.

On Mar. 23 Schuett met with legislators at Sanborn to discuss concerns of upcoming legislative bills in regards to conservation.

APRIL

Fifty years of soil conservation was celebrated by a two-week display by the District and the Soil Survey Office at the Sanford Museum in Cherokee.

MAY

NACD and Iowa Assoc. SCD dues were paid in full and Annual Reports were distributed. No-Till demonstration plots were established and recognized with 'Look No-Till' signs. The District sold over 1800 evergreens, deciduous trees and shrubs for windbreaks.

JUNE

Winners of the Iowa Soil Conservation Awards Program (ISCAP) were named. The divisions are: Owner-operator, Bradley and John Coburn; Landlord-tenant, Burton Boothby and Wayne Netley; New cooperator, Walter Voge. The Coburns were Sweepstakes Winners.

JULY

The Commissioners had a booth at the county fair July 10-14.

The Siouxland Conservation Award winners (formerly Marc Cox Awards) were chosen: Progress Award, Corwin Cray; Community Conservation, Aurelia General Women's Club; Wildlife Habitat, Mr. and Mrs R.C. "Bud" Stiles; Conservation Education, Ruby Peterson; District Area Farm Awards, Neal Waller and Russell Carver.

AUGUST

Tom Hueser, Marcus, was chosen by Dudley and O'Bryan to represent Cherokee County in the Izaak Walton Windbreak Award contest.

Bruce Klaschen was the county's Ken Wagner award nominee and Loren Schuett was nominated for 'Outstanding SCD Commissioner.'

SEPTEMBER

On Sept. 4 the first District Awards Banquet was held in Cherokee. Winners of the ISCAP Awards, Siouxland Conservation Awards, Izaak Walton, and essay winner were presented awards. Schuett was recognized as being Region I Winner in the 'Outstanding SCD Commissioner' class, and Kristin Hein won second in the Regional for her essay.

The Regional meeting was held in Cherokee on Sept. 10.

OCTOBER

Watershed repairs were made to the Parcel Structure, the Mattoon and Mortenson Dams.

Contribution letters were distributed to help defray expenses of the District.

The district began assisting the newly organized 'Hay Producers & Marketing Assoc.' of Northwest Iowa.

NOVEMBER

The Iowa Soil 2000 target area is 10,000 acres in Rock Township.

DECEMBER

The Annual Conference was attended by Bindner and Schuett at Cedar Rapids Dec. 2 & 3.

Klaschen attended the Little Sioux Works Committee meeting at Anthon on the 10th.