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SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between the

CONSERVATION DISTRICT, State of Iowa

and the

LEE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION AND

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

The Lee County Conservation District of Iowa and the Secretary, United States Department of Agriculture, have entered into a basic Memorandum of Understanding, which was signed by the District on July 18, 1962. That Memorandum establishes a basis for the cooperation of all agencies of the Department with the District.

The County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, hereinafter called the Committee, is authorized under the terms of various statutes administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to carry out broad programs of assistance to farmers, ranchers, and other eligible landowners for soil and water conservation, watershed protection, flood prevention, and forestry. These programs include cooperation with Conservation Districts in conserving and improving soil, water, vegetative, wildlife, and related resources, and in reducing damage by floods and sedimentation.

The District and the Committee have common objectives of helping to bring about conservation, development, and wise use of land, water, and related resources. They, therefore, enter into this Memorandum of Understanding as the foundation for an enduring cooperative working arrangement. This Memorandum supplements the Memorandum of Understanding between the District and the Department referenced above, and is subject to all its provisions.

A The District will:

- 1 Adopt a procedure for the orderly and progressive development and application of conservation and resource development for farms, communities, watersheds, and other land units.
- 2 Be responsible for determining the recipients of services provided by the District, and for setting priorities for the kind and amounts of work to be performed in the District.
- 3 Develop a systematic method for group and individual followup work essential to the carrying out of conservation contracts and related resource development plans.
- 4 Invite the Committee to participate in developing its annual work plan and long-range program and the District will make these available to the Committee for its use in developing its County conservation cost-sharing program.
- 5 Advise farmers and landowners of the assistance, programs, contracts, and cost-sharing available through the Committee.
- 6 Participate in developing the County plan and various conservation programs.

- 7 As requested and feasible, assist the Committee in carrying out its conservation programs. In relation to long-term agreements or contracts under conservation programs, the District will:
 - a Review and approve, when adequate, required conservation plans of operations.
 - b Consider and, in concurrence with the Soil Conservation Service, recommend priority ratings of applicants.
 - c Make recommendations on indicated violations and possible cancellations or terminations.
- 8 Within 60 days after the fiscal year end, send to the Committee a copy of the annual report of the District's activities and accomplishments.

B The Committee will:

- 1 In cooperation with the County conservation review group, review the County plan and conservation programs for the County. The Committee will invite the District and representatives of other Federal and State agencies to participate in developing this plan and conservation programs.
- 2 Consider the District's long-range objectives and annual work plan in developing its County plan.
- 3 Request the District to assist in carrying out conservation programs.
- 4 Inform those eligible of the availability of various programs for the establishment of conservation practices included in their District conservation plans.
- 5 Give priority to providing program assistance for accelerating land treatment in Rural Conservation and Development and Pub. L. 566 projects, as applicable.
- 6 Encourage landowners to become District Cooperators and to develop and establish conservation plans.
- 7 Provide other assistance, as may be mutually agreed upon, to the District to aid in carrying out any of its duties and programs.
- 8 Provide the District with a copy of its annual report.

C It is further understood that:

- 1 District personnel and facilities will be under the administrative jurisdiction of the District and Committee personnel and facilities will be under the administrative jurisdiction of the Committee.
- 2 The governing boards of the District and the Committee will meet jointly, in addition to the annual program review meeting, at least once a year to discuss priorities of conservation activities involving cost-sharing and technical services essential to attaining soil and water conservation and resource-use objectives. These meetings may include field reviews for determining progress.

- 3 In instances where the geographical boundaries of the District and the Committee do not coincide, the District and Committee shall develop mutually appropriate liaison and representative arrangements.
- 4 This Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding will be effective when signed. It may be modified or terminated at any time by mutual consent of the parties or may be terminated by either party alone by giving 60 days notice in writing to the other.

LEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

By L L L Date: April 12, 1988
Chairperson, District Governing Body

This signing of this Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding was authorized by a resolution of the District Governing Body adopted at a meeting held on April 12, 1988.

Mary Colburn Date: April 12, 1988
Secretary, District Governing Body

Lee County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee

By Edward B. Holthaus Date: 4-21-88
Chairperson, County Committee

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