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PLANTING WITH NO-TILLBy Norman Brus, Soil Conservationist
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There are many farmers who would like to give no-till a try, but do not feel that they can justify the cost of changing planters solely for this purpose or would like to test the no-till concept before they change planters. For these people, hiring someone to custom no-till plant a few acres may be the best option. This would allow them to see if they would like no-till without the cost of equipment change.

Again this year, the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) office is providing incentive funds for those people that want to experiment with no-till. Funding is available at a rate of \$10 per acre for a maximum of 25 acres. This incentive payment will help off-set some of the cost of hiring someone to custom plant a few acres. To receive this incentive payment, the farmer must sign up at the ASCS office before the end of February.

If you would like to give no-till a try but don't have the equipment, talk to your neighbor. He may be interested in planting a few acres for you. If you have a planter equipped for no-till and would like to do some custom planting, give the Soil Conservation Service a call at 927-4590 or stop in at 721 South 5th Street in Manchester. Listed below are several people already contacted by the Soil Conservation Service that plan on doing custom no-till planting. All except one of the people furnish their own operator.

Schmitt Implement
Holy Cross
870-2665
JD 7000 4-38"

Tom McAllister
R.R. 1
Earlville
923-3194
JD 7100 4-38"

Jerry Olberding
R. R. 1
Dyersville
875-7893
JD 7000 4-38"

Deverg Krantz
Coggon
932-2629
JD 7000 12-30"

Bert Glaser
R.R. 1
Earlville
875-2308
Kinze 4-38"
Planter ONLY

Lawrence Hunsinger
Winthrop
935-3959
AC 6-30"

Milton Leonard
R.R. 1
Ryan
927-2923
JD 7000 4-36"



Reducing erosion

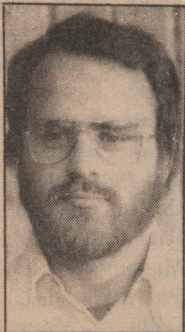
THE BEST APPROACH to reducing cropland erosion combines conservation tillage systems with other needed practices, according to Norman Brus, soil conservationist with the

Delaware County Soil Conservation Service office in Manchester. In Iowa, for example, this farmer plants no-till corn on the contour on land that has been terraced.

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