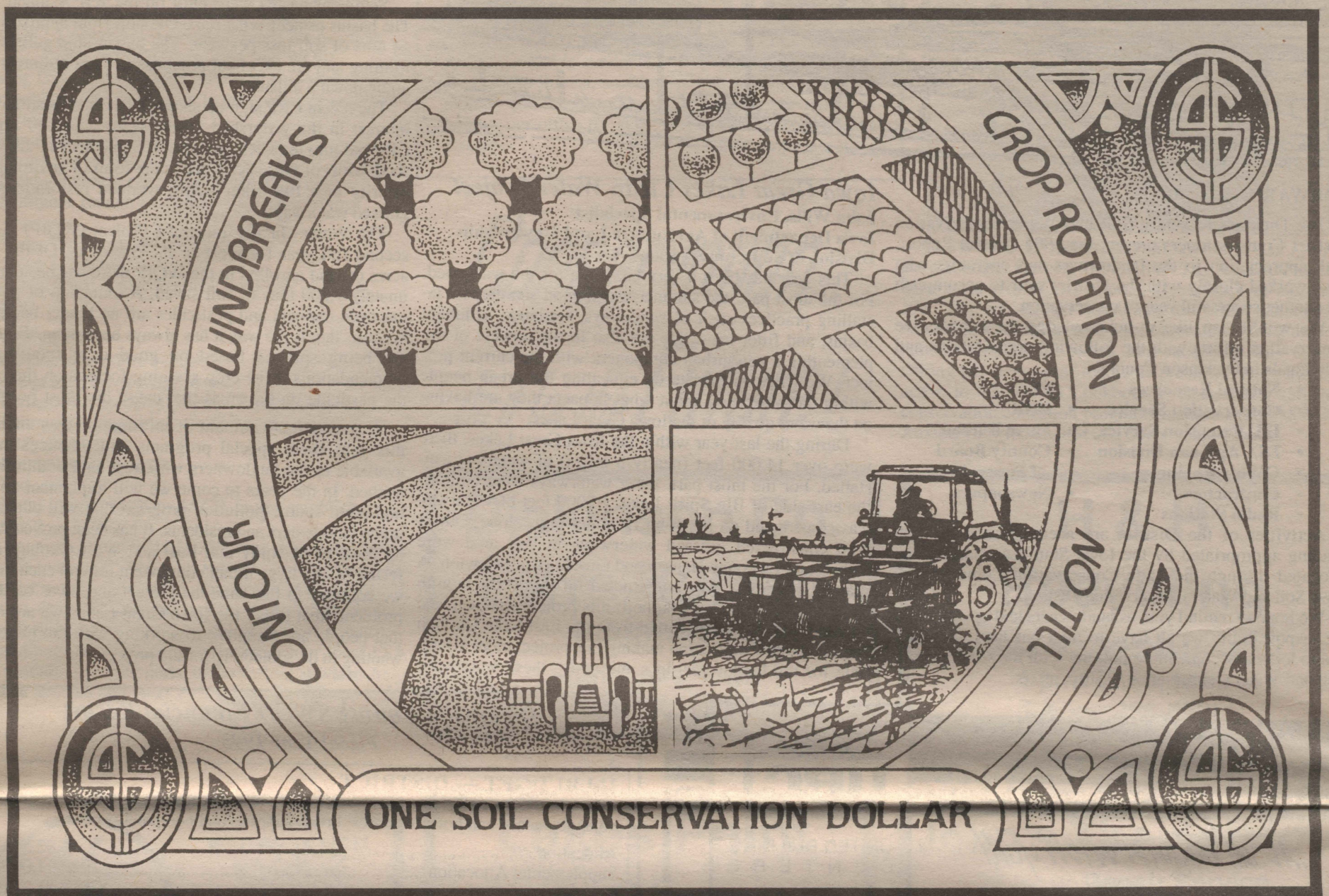


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FORWARD

The Dickinson County Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners present the 1995 Annual Report, with appreciation to the landowners and operators who have worked closely with the District staff to accomplish yet another successful year of conservation.

We would also like to acknowledge the cooperative conservation efforts with the following organizations and individuals in Dickinson County:

- Natural Resources
- Conservation Service
- ISU Extension Service
- FSA Ag Loan Division
- County Engineer
- Contractors
- Radio Stations
- FSA
- DNR
- Farm Bureau
- County Board of Supervisors
- Newspapers

Activities of the District are accomplished through funding appropriated by the Iowa State Legislature, and allocated through the State Conservation Committee to Iowa Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

We hope to remind you, as landowners and operators, of the responsibility we all have to treat our land with care and to let you become more familiar with the services your Soil and Water Conservation District offers.

Iowa Great Lakes Clean Water Project

John Wills, Environmental Specialist
Iowa Department of Agriculture Land Stewardship
Division of Soil Conservation

This year has been a very busy one for the watershed. For the most part, the summer was a good summer for installing practices such as waterways, wetlands, sediment basins, and filter trips. We are also in the process of implementing a new urban component with the current project. We will concentrate on educating the urban people within the watershed about what impacts they are having on the water quality of the Iowa Great Lakes.

During the last year within the Iowa Great Lakes, there were over 14,000 feet (nearly 3 miles) of waterways installed. For the most part, these waterways were built on the east side of Big Spirit Lake. 10,000 feet of waterway was constructed on the John Hummel farm alone. Others who constructed grassed waterways in that area were Robert and LaVonne Hansen and Grover (Bud) Newton. A grassed waterway was constructed on the Mary Jaquith Trust farm east of East Okoboji; this project also received an additional \$1000 incentive from the East Lake Okoboji Improvement Corporation making this project more affordable for the landowner. In some cases, these waterways

eliminate up to 160 tons of soil loss per acre per year of gully erosion.

There have been many acres of wetland restored this year on private land. The dry summer helped us to meet some goals in the area of wetland restoration. Next year promises to be another good year for wetland restoration on private property.

Sediment basins were built on the Jeff Ashland farm. The basins protect West Lake Okoboji from approximately 64 tons of soil loss per year. The basins stop gullies from forming and are excellent practices to slow sediment from going down a hillside.

The recent CRP sign-up showed that there is still a lot of interest in the watershed. There were over 600 acres of CRP bid into the CRP program in September in the watershed. Most of these acres are in the form of environmental priority bids like filter strips, wetland restorations, and grassed waterways.

The Water Quality Incentive Project (WQIP) is in its second full year for most of the operators. Of the 2,400 acres of land enrolled in the WQIP there has been approximately 7,200 tons of soil saved. A reduction of fertilizer has been realized and pesticides are no longer being used because 'that is the way it has always been done.' Pesticides are being sprayed based on good crop scouting recommendations. (The crop scouting focuses on the cost of the pesticide on the areas that cause the most problems.)

A considerable amount of information was distributed this year about special programs and practices that are available to the landowners who own land within the watershed. In the years to come we will implement an urban non-point source pollution program that will educate the urban landowners and residents. It has been proven through an Iowa DNR study that East and West Okoboji are affected by the large urban component around each lake. As we continue to fine tune the project and focus on the real problems that affect the Iowa Great Lakes we are finding that people are receptive to working with the project and wanting to do something for the project.

Dickinson County SWCD Financial Report Fiscal Year 1995

1M BUDGET — DISTRICT

Expenditures of funds provided by the State of Iowa for District Commissioner's mileage, meals, and hotel expenses; office supplies and equipment.

Allocation	\$2,500.00
Supplemental Allocation	1,000.00
Commissioner Expenses	1,237.33
Office Supplies & Expenses	2,119.36
Printing	143.00
Released to DSC	.31

3M BUDGET — IOWA FINANCIAL INCENTIVES PROGRAM

The 3M Budget provides cost-share assistance to landowners for installing permanent soil and water conservation practices and offers 30% off the allocation for No-Till/Ridge-Till incentives.

Allocation	\$12,528.00
Amount Obligated or Spent	12,339.26
Unobligated Amount	188.74

REAP (RESOURCE ENHANCEMENT & PROTECTION PRACTICES)

1994-1995 Allocation	\$6,266.00
Amount Obligated or Spent	-0-
Unobligated Amount	6,266.00

REAP (FORESTRY/NATIVE GRASSES)

1994-1995 Allocation	\$1,464.00
Supplemental Allocation	6,300.00
Amount Obligated or Spent	5,044.15
Unobligated Amount	2,719.85

ORGANIC NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT

1994-1995 Allocation	\$11,221.00
Amount Obligated or Spent	3,936.50
Unobligated Amount	7,284.50

WATER PROTECTION FUND

1994-1995 Allocation	\$54,060.00
Amount Obligated or Spent	\$54,060.00
Unobligated Amount	-0-



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JOHN WILLS, ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST
Demonstration on Clean Water in IGL at Outdoor Classroom.

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM — The 1995 Outdoor Classroom was held September 7th for 237 sixth grade students from the schools in Dickinson County. Each fall the Dickinson County Soil and Water Conservation District sponsors the event which is held at the Kettleon-Hogsback area. This area provides facilities for indoor classrooms as well as a variety of outdoor settings. The unique geological features at the location and environmentally concerned speakers and promoters are what makes the annual event such a success.

This year the program included presentations on Orphan and Injured Wildlife by Linda Hinshaw, Indian Lore given by Jim Hass and Lines on the Land by John Roths. Hands on adventures included the live fish display by Cindy Martin, seeing the Wild Geese with Doug Harr, learning more about what happens to the materials Dickinson County recycles given by Marilyn Hawn, walking through the nature trails with Tim Waltz as guide, visiting a wetland with John Wills to learn about water quality in the Iowa Great Lakes, and understanding bird beak benefits with explanations by Rich Leopold.

The Soil and Water Conservation District recognizes the importance of educating youth about the environment and makes environmental materials available to each school in the County. If you would like to know what materials are available please contact our office at 336-2604.

Partnerships Make Things Happen

Leo J. Preston, District Conservationist
Natural Resources Conservation Service

As many articles in this annual report point out, the last year has been one of progress and accomplishment in the Dickinson Soil and Water Conservation District. These achievements could not have been attained without the support and involvement of our conservation partners.

Because of the unique landscape of the county, our program must be very diverse and comprehensive to encourage the wise use of the natural resources. This would not be possible without the working partnerships and volunteers to help with the effort. From the individual who works the land to the teacher in school and everyone in between, much is being done. The individuals and groups are too

numerous to list and many go unnoticed, but you know who you are and should take much satisfaction from your efforts. Thank you, YOU make a difference.

Most encouraging to me is the new way of looking at conservation that many are taking. No longer is resource conservation just putting practices on the land, it is also putting an attitude and approach in the mind. An attitude and approach that results in well thought out actions that consider the current and future impact on the natural resources. This is progress.

As we look to the coming year, many opportunities and challenges await the Dickinson SWCD. We hope to assist the schools in furthering their efforts of teaching resource conservation by drawing a nucleus of educators together to identify needs and find ways to address those needs. Our water quality efforts and projects will continue to be a priority. Another important emphasis will be to work closely with current partners and develop new ones. More energy will be put into networking and building coalitions that will improve communication and magnify all efforts.

A year of cooperation and working together as conservation partners is past and another is beginning. As the Natural Resources Conservation Service continues to assist the Dickinson Soil and Water Conservation District, we look forward to working together with you to make things happen.

Good News In Conservation In Iowa

Leroy Brown, State Conservationist

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

More progress has been made in resource conservation in Iowa recently than at any other time in history. That shows that Iowans are proud of their land and are commit-

ted to conservation. Each day, the conservation efforts of farmers are more evident.

There are more trees, more wildlife habitat, more wetlands, more grass, and there is more land protected with conservation tillage practices — in general more natural resource care in Iowa than at any time in recent history. The progress that has been made has truly been at a record pace. Lester Brown of the World Watch Institute has said that the reduction of soil erosion may well be the most dramatic success story of this decade.

Soil erosion in Iowa has been cut 35 percent recently, the state's farmers lead the nation in many aspects of wetlands restoration, and there are many, many examples of conservation progress by farmers in the state.

Now there's an opportunity to help private landowners make the 53,000 acres of cropland scheduled to be restored to wetlands throughout the USDA's Wetlands Reserve Program and the Emergency Wetlands Reserve Program the best they can be for wildlife, personal enjoyment, education and other purposes. The Natural Resources Conservation Service hopes to team up with environmental organizations, schools, civic organizations, agricultural organizations and others interested in bringing wetlands back in Iowa. Outside groups will be asked to "adopt" a wetland and put practices on it that will attract wildlife, songbirds, waterfowl, frogs, turtles, and other animals. The activity could also increase educational opportunities for schools, or just beautify the area with wildflowers, trees and shrubs.

NRCS is looking forward to next year. Yes, there will be some challenges as a new Farm Bill will be passed, but the natural resources in Iowa continue to improve as more people get involved in conservation efforts.

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Highlights of 1994 and 1995

JULY 1994

- Commissioner's Summer Picnic at Cutty's Resort
- Clean Water Alliance meeting
- NACD Regional meeting in Springfield, MO attended by Mark Ingwersen and Leo Preston
- District's Clean Water Project featured at NACD Regional meeting

AUGUST 1994

- Ann Northey enters the position of State Secretary in the District office

SEPTEMBER 1994

- Annual Conference in Des Moines was attended by Orville Berg and Mark Ingwersen
- Commissioners participate at the Clay County Fair
- Annual Outdoor Classroom sponsored by SWCD and held at the Kettleon-Hogsback area
- 1995 1M Budget was presented for approval and signing

OCTOBER 1994

- Clean Water Alliance meeting
- Contract signed to continue funding for Clean Water Project

NOVEMBER 1994

- Keith Van Kleek elected as SWCD Commissioner — Jared Herbert retiring
- Name change from SCS to NRCS
- Chief Paul Johnson tours Water Protection program's restored wetlands

DECEMBER 1994

- Commissioner's Winter Banquet at Dean's
- Dickinson SWCD 50th Anniversary
- Conservation Farmer Appreciation Open House
- Annual Report sent to owners/operators
- Tree Sales begin

JANUARY 1995

- Election of Officers: Chris Hoffman, Chairman; Keith Van Kleek, Vice-Chairman; Tim Hemphill, Secretary; Orville Berg, Treasurer
- Lakeshore Ordinance passed
- Regional Crop Conference

FEBRUARY 1995

- Northwest Iowa Tillage Expo in Sheldon attended by Damarys Mortenson and John Wills
- Poster contest co-sponsored by SWCD and MHR Insurance
- Clean Water Alliance meeting

MARCH 1995

- Spring Regional Meeting at Bancroft attended by Mark Ingwersen, John Wills and Leo Preston
- IASWCD Scholarship Applications Submitted
- Five County Contractor's meeting held in Spencer
- Goodyear Award application submitted

APRIL 1995

- Soil & Stewardship Week — materials donated to churches, libraries and schools
- District Trees distributed to co-operators
- Dickinson County 6th Grade Students receive trees
- Clean Water Alliance meeting
- Iowa Community Development Assistance Team meeting

MAY 1995

- Outdoor classroom for Okoboji Grades 3 & 4
- Clean Water Project Tour
- Lance Heikens appointed as Assistant Commissioner
- NACD North Central Regional Leadership meeting in LaCrosse, WI attended by Mark Ingwersen

JUNE 1995

- State Committee & State Association Meeting attended by Mark Ingwersen
- Clean Water Project Review
- IASWCD Auxiliary Regional Poster Contest
- Selection of TQM cadre facilitators
- Annual Plan submitted

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STEWARDSHIP WEEK — "The Living Waters" was the theme of Soil and Water Stewardship Week, April 30 - May 7, 1995. The purpose of Soil and Water Stewardship Week is to create a larger awareness of our responsibilities in protecting the natural resources that we are all sustained by. The Dickinson County SWCD works with many partners throughout the year on soil and water conservation practices such as waterways, windbreaks, and terraces, as well as educational and promotional activities. The Commissioners provided church bulletin covers, litany inserts and worship resources which went along with the theme to all interested churches in the county at no cost as well as educational materials to schools within Dickinson County.

The modern conservation practices of farmers go a long way toward protecting the quality of public waters that run from their land, but responsibility for water quality also rests with suburban and urban dwellers. On a per-acre basis, it has been estimated that 10 times more fertilizer and pesticide are applied to suburban lawns and gardens than applied to farm fields. Keeping the living waters clean and healthy today is a challenge for **everyone** who manages land **everywhere**.

A national effort is underway to help people understand that they are part of a watershed, which can be an area of small streams or a larger river basin. The fact is, whatever any of us do within our watershed affects the quality of water for others who may live downstream. Water quality citizenship is a civic lesson each of us should master.



OUTSTANDING COMMISSIONER AWARD -- Tim Hemphill, right, is shown with the President of the Iowa Soil & Water Conservation District Commission. Hemphill recently constructed a half-mile grassed waterway and established a farmstead windbreak on his farm on nearly 800 acres. He also has created a wildlife habitat on native grasses and a field windbreak on his CRP acres. Hemphill has been a commissioner for eight years, and serves as the secretary and a member of the awards committee for his district. He and his wife, Linda, coordinated the District's 1995 tree sale.

Hemphill has received awards recognizing his dedication to conservation and agriculture, including: 1993 Conservation Farmer of the Year Award from Pheasants Forever; 1981 Kiwanis Farmer of the Year; and the 1975 Outstanding Young Member Award from the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation.

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Dennis DeWitt

ISU Extension Livestock Specialist

ILCG was developed in Clay, Dickinson, Emmet and Palo Alto Counties by a group of concerned cattle and sheep producers. ILCG has joined together with local

agencies to initiate a program that demonstrates alternative grazing techniques and profit potential. The area has 33,500 acres of pasture land and 76,000 acres of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). This land is predominantly along the Des Moines and Little Sioux Rivers and extending into the rolling glacial moraine areas of this prairie pot-hole region.

The focus of the ILCG project is to educate and demonstrate to area cattle and sheep producers, sports enthusiasts, community, state and federal leaders alternative grazing methods that are conducive to optimizing economic profit and ecological enhancement potentials. This is being accomplished through the following objectives:

- 1) Organizing 4 controlled grazing demonstration cooperators each year.
- 2) Demonstrating the significance of controlled grazing to cattle and sheep producers and non-producers.
- 3) Educating the general public on how vital the cattle and sheep industries are to the economic stability of rural communities.
- 4) Facilitating long-term leadership to continue efforts beyond the program time.

Some of the producers involved are Jack Johnson, Milford; Jim Larson, Sioux Rapids; Randy Knobbie, Laurens; Allen McGranahan, Dickens; and Steve Swan, Dickens. They are all willing to visit with you about the program and how it has worked for them, or call the ISU Extension Office in Spirit Lake at 336-3488.

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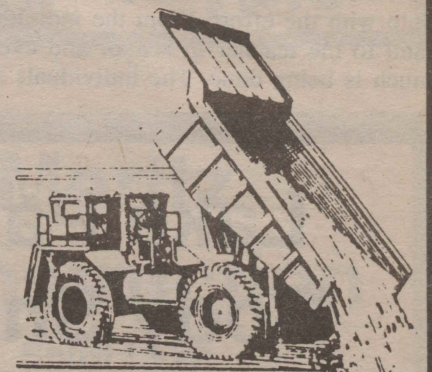
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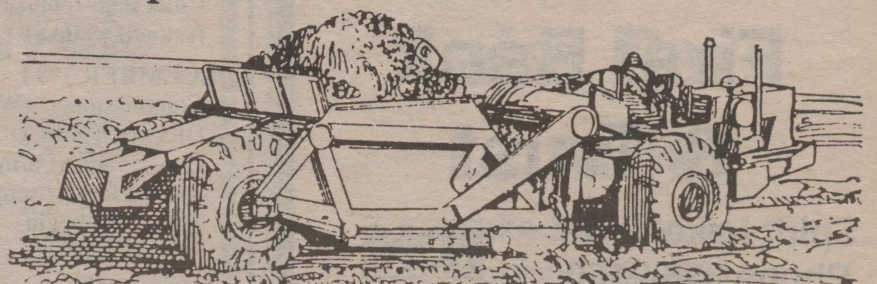
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DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS — Shown above - front row, left to right: Mark Ingwersen, Superior Township and Orville J. Berg, Center Grove Township. Back row - Chris Hoffman, chair, Lakeville Township;

Keith Van Kleek, vice-chair, Lloyd Township. Not pictured - Tim Hemphill, Secretary, Okoboji Township and Lance Heikens, Assistant Commissioner, Silver Lake Township.



SPIRIT LAKE FIELD OFFICE STAFF— Standing left to right, Leo Preston, District Conservationist and John Wills, Environmental Specialist. Seated left to right: John Roths, Technician; Ann Ditsworth, State Secretary. Not pictured is Deirdre Braband, WAE.

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DICKINSON COUNTY FORESTRY PROGRAM

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Cost-Share funds are available from the State and Local governments for cooperators who receive technical assistance in planning their windbreaks. The trees and shrubs can be purchased from any source the applicant chooses, but the amount that can be reimbursed per tree/shrub is limited according to State cost-share guidelines. If you are considering adding a new windbreak to your farmstead, field, or acreage contact our office at 336-2604 for more cost-share information.

The Dickinson County Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners conducted another successful tree program again this year. The Commissioners will again be offering trees at low prices for planting in the Spring of 1996. Stop in at the NRCS office in Spirit Lake to place your tree/shrub order today.

1994 - 1995 Accomplishments

- 407 Individuals and groups assisted
- 106 Individuals and groups applying practices
- 5093 Resource management systems planned
- 6089 Cropland acres treated
- 27845 Tons of soil saved
- 11 Grassed waterways installed
- 12 Farmstead/field windbreaks installed
- 4 Conservation easements entered
- 3 Water and sediment control basin
- 1 Animal waste facility

DNR, FWS Tackle Noxious Weeds

Doug Harr, Wildlife Biologist

Two major partners in the effort to conserve Dickinson County's natural assets are the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the United States Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS). Together, these government agencies have embarked upon a large scale program of land acquisition, aimed at restoring vanished wildlife habitat and at protecting the high quality of the county's renowned recreational lakes.

Unfortunately, one problem frequently inherited with newly acquired lands is a good infestation of thistles or other noxious weeds. This has been particularly true of certain tracts of land enrolled in CRP and recently purchased by DNR or FWS. The wet year of 1993 also resulted in an increase in weedy invaders and improved germination of weed seeds, making the two succeeding years bloom with a bumper crop of thistles. This past summer, the local DNR Wildlife Bureau staff assigned one of its four permanent staff almost full-time duty on weed control. This nearly doubled the efforts extended in years past, and cut deeply into other conservation work of the agency, but still was insufficient to meet vegetation control needs.

Late this summer, DNR redirected parts of its local budget to increased purchases of chemical weed control agents and spray equipment. With help from the Dickinson County Chapter of Pheasants Forever, a matching grant application has been made to FWS in hopes of acquiring additional mowing equipment. The only major shortage remaining will be the staff time necessary for conducting all necessary weed control operations. Because state government and budgets presently limit the local wildlife staff to only four permanent personnel, who must manage 12,000 acres of public land in five counties, other means of tackling critical weed problems will have to be utilized. Contracts for private farming of public lands may have to be re-written to include more reliance on the farmer for mowing or spraying, and the agency may have to divert additional portions of its budget to hiring commercial spraying firms. But in the end, DNR intends to improve weed control on its own lands and those it manages for the FWS.

All of this, of course, takes money from more important conservation work. In addition, the two agencies must take great caution not to degrade the habitats necessary for wildlife by spraying toxic chemicals or mowing during nesting seasons. Of utmost importance, DNR must assure, as a partner with Dickinson Soil and Water Conservation District and other organizations, that herbicides do not reach the Iowa Great Lakes, our region's most treasured resource.

It may be a difficult balancing act, but with guidance from Natural Resource Conservation Agency staff, and a little patient understanding by the public, DNR believes it can adequately meet all expectations for weed control, protection of the lakes, and acquisition of additional lands for wildlife production and public recreation.

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)

John Roths, SCT

Natural Resource Conservation Service

Authorized by the 1985 Food Security Act, the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) is probably the most successful and popular program implemented by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The CRP program pays farmers and landowners to take highly erodible and other land out of production for 10 years and to establish grass or trees on those lands. The main objectives of this program are to conserve soil and water and reduce commodity surpluses.

CRP has also established vitally needed grassland habitats for wildlife. According to the National Wildlife Institute (NWI), CRP has prevented almost 700 million tons of topsoil erosion each year. It has also improved water quality and aquatic habitat. According to USDA economists, CRP will provide between \$3.4 and \$11 billion in environmental benefits over the time of the current program.

More than 375,000 farmers and landowners in 47 states have enrolled 36.4 million acres in the program. Several state and national surveys consistently show more than 80 percent of farmers are satisfied with the program and would re-enroll. CRP is also helping to reestablish wildlife habitat on private farms by providing forage that did not previously exist.

CRP has helped stimulate rural economic growth through the increase of money brought in by hunters and other wildlife-related recreational activities. For instance, the increased pheasant populations in South Dakota attracted 48,000 non-resident and 80,000 resident hunters in 1993. These hunters spent more than \$50 million while in the state. Increased hunting associated with CRP generated an estimated \$1 million the first six days of the 1993 pheasant season in Jones County, South Dakota.

Finally, no other conservation program has achieved so much for wildlife in such a short time. CRP can and hopefully will be a lasting wildlife conservation legacy of the 20th century.

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Farm Service Agency (FSA) Report

Larry Lago

County Executive Director

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- \$16,161 Annual funds for practices such as waterways, water and sediment basins, and vegetative cover establishment.
- \$31,628 Long-Term Agreement funds for practices such as waterways, ICM, and WQIP.

During fiscal year 1996 the following cost-share conservation practices will be offered to all producers in Dickinson County:

- Forest tree plantations
- Farmstead and feedlot windbreak
- Field windbreak restoration or establishment
- Sediment retention, erosion on water control structures
- Water Quality Incentive Project
- Terrace systems
- Agricultural waste control facilities — 50% level
- Diversions
- Permanent wildlife habitat
- Integrated crop management
- Permanent vegetative cover on critical areas
- Permanent vegetative cover improvement or establishment
- Stripcropping systems
- Sod waterway
- Multi-year cost-share (ACR cover establishment) — 25% level

All practices are offered at a 75% cost-share level unless otherwise indicated. Please be sure to contact your local FSA office prior to beginning any conservation practice if you need financial assistance, practices started without prior cost-share approval will be ineligible for assistance.

In addition to cost-sharing assistance, your local FSA office provides price supports, measurement services, farm and home lending, and other various types of services.

Purpose — Government interest in better management of our natural resources began during the Depression with Franklin D. Roosevelt's conservation programs. Since that time a great deal of concern for soil and water conservation has come about, from the Dust Bowl Days of the 30s to the Flood of 1993, and the District has played a significant part along the way. The Soil and Water Conservation District is in its 51st year of service and is available to help solve resource management problems, so whether you live in the city or country and are a landowner or not, you are invited to contact our office for assistance in conservation related practices.



IASWCDC HONORARY MEMBERSHIP — Kay Berg attended her very first IASWCDC Auxiliary meeting during the IASWCDC Annual Conference in December 1987. She was elected Auxiliary President at that meeting. At her request, she became a past-president during the 1994 Annual Conference when her successor was elected. During her seven-year tenure as president, Berg had been active in the NACD Cookbook Project, and a variety of conservation education programs including the IASWCDC Auxiliary Poster Contest and Scholarship Contest.

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