

Conservation Practices Show Increase In 1958

Conservation practices in Hardin county showed sizable increases in 1958. More terraces were built, more trees and multiflora roses were planted and more acres of pasture renovated than in any previous year since the Soil Conservation District was organized in 1945.

OVER 1,400 acres of new contouring were established. Eleven miles of terraces were constructed during 1958, adding to the total of 43 miles already in the county. Forty acres of new strip cropping were completed and 1,500 feet of diversions.

Twenty acres of trees were planted on farms of Hardin county during the year, as well as 1,096 rods of multiflora roses and 28 acres of wildlife area improved.

Pasture renovation was completed on 104 acres.

Gully control structures were built on three farms, two of concrete and one with earthen fill. Twenty-seven acres of grassed waterways were reshaped and seeded on 20 farms.

Over 183,000 feet of tile was completed and 2,000 feet of drainage ditches and surface drainage installed.

COMPLETE conservation plans, including field layout, rotations and practices were developed on 20 new farms. Thirty new farms were signed up as cooperators of the Hardin Soil Conservation District during 1958. Eighty-one farms having conservation plans were visited on follow-up contacts and eight of these plans were revised.