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Conservation funds will be allocated Thursday

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Commissioners of the Davis County Soil Conservation will meet Thursday night to allocate local funds under a new conservation program.

Applications for the funds will be reviewed by the Commissioners. The number of applications, thus far, has not been as great as expected.

Davis County has \$10,000 with which to cost-share conservation programs with local farmers to install erosion and sediment control practices.

A farmer may apply for and receive cost-share assistance provided he has or will enter into a conservation cooperative agreement with

the soil district. This agreement will provide, among other requirements, that he has or intends to develop and follow a conservation plan for his farm that is acceptable to the district and that he will properly maintain the practices for which the cost-share assistance is requested.

The local commissioners decided earlier to give priority on cost-sharing this fiscal year to landowners and operators who have signed conservation cooperative agreements prior to July 31, 1973.

New conservation cooperative agreements

would be eligible the following year based on new conservation plans to be developed.

The commissioners will also accept requests for cost-sharing assistance this fiscal year for three practices—terraces, grade stabilization structures and grass waterways. Grade stabilization structures and grass waterways will not be eligible for cost-sharing until at least 75 per cent of the needed land treatment above the practice has been completed.

Landowners and operators may apply for assistance at the Davis County Soil Conservation District office in Bloomfield.