

DELAWARE SWCD

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SECRETARY NORTHEY ENCOURAGES FARMERS TO USE NEW ONLINE OPTION TO MANAGE CONSERVATION PRACTICES

If you haven't done so already, I encourage you to take advantage of the new FARMS (Financial and Reports Management System) website, which allows you to sign-up for and manage participation in many of the conservation programs offered by the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship.

This new web program is designed to make it easier for farmers to register and get conservation practices on the ground. There remains a great demand for filter strips, grass-waterways, and other projects that reduce runoff and improve water quality. This website will help ensure those projects happen.

Farmers can visit <https://idals.iowa.gov/FARMS/> to learn more about the programs offered and even apply for assistance. If you have previously received assistance, you can use the site to monitor the status of your projects.

In addition to making it more convenient to make inquiries and apply for assistance, the new program is designed to increase the responsiveness to requests for cost-share assistance and, as a result, speed up the processing of payments for landowners.

Your Soil and Water Conservation District and Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship will also realize benefits of the program. They will be more responsive to requests, have faster and less costly processing of payments, be able to better gauge demand for conservation measures, as well as track the progress of application of soil conservation and water quality measures on the agriculture landscape.

When you are out in the combine and running grain carts or scouting your fields in the spring, take a good look at your land and see if any areas could benefit from additional conservation practices. This new program will allow you to quickly apply when and where it's convenient to you to address problem areas.

Iowa farmers are great stewards of the land and this new resource will help you continue that tradition.

COST SHARE MONEY AVAILABLE

There are several options available to receive cost share for conservation practices in Delaware County. The traditional IFIP (Iowa Financial Incentive Program) is a program administered by the local SWCD and funded by the State of Iowa. These funds can be used for management or structural practices such as terraces, water and sediment control basins, grade stabilization structures, and waterways.

REAP (Resource Enhancement And Protection) funding is also administered by the local SWCD. These cost share funds are typically used for tree plantings, windbreaks, and timber stand improvement projects, but Delaware County has also approved some priority watersheds for this money to be used towards structural practices as well.

Delaware County also has a couple of watershed projects which have additional incentives available. The South Fork Maquoketa River Watershed is located in the northwest part of the county and The Bear Creek Watershed is located in the eastern part of the county.

The EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentive Program) funds can be used on most all conservation structures and practices listed above, along with manure management and rotational grazing. EQIP is federally funded and applications are taken year round at the NRCS office.

The CRP (Conservation Reserve Program) has a continuous sign up for practices such as waterways, filter strips, riparian buffers, contour buffer strips, field windbreaks, shelterbelts, and wetlands. CRP pays cost share and incentives on establishment of any of these practices along with rental payments for the acreage enrolled into contract. The Farm Service Agency administers this program and the NRCS provides technical assistance.

The state of Iowa also has a low interest loan program available for construction of conservation practices on your farm.

Please stop by the office for details on any of these programs.

Annual Report - July 1, 2006 thru June 30, 2007

Financial Statement expenditures of funds provided by Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship for District Commissioners expenses, office supplies, and cost share program.

IM BUDGET

Original Allocation-07/01/06	2,100.00
Supplemental 3/20/07	+ 36.40
Commissioners Expenses	- 1,162.50
Office Supplies & Expenses	- 973.90
Remaining-06/30/07	- 0.00

IIIM BUDGET - COST SHARE PROGRAM

FY 06-07 Original Allocation-07/01/06	20,698.00
Supplemental-08/16/06	+29,692.35
Supplemental-01/31/07	+32,880.00
Spent in FY 07	-40,451.58
Obligated	-22,100.00
Reallocated to FY 08	-20,718.77
Remaining-06/30/07	0.00

FY 05-06 Original Allocation-07/01/05	20,698.00
Supplemental-08/22/05	+29,618.60
Spent in FY 06	-36,169.09
Spent in FY 07	- 9,897.51
Obligated	- 4,250.00
Remaining-06/30/07	0.00

FY 04-05 Original Allocation-07/01/04	20,698.00
Supplemental-08/11/04	+34,305.00
Spent in FY 05	-19,750.51
Spent in FY 06	-32,385.19
Spent in FY 07	- 2,221.00
Recalled-12/31/05	- 414.02
Recalled-12/31/06	- 232.28
Remaining-06/30/07	0.00

FY 03-04 Original Allocation-07/01/03	20,698.00
Supplemental-08/28/03	+38,050.00
Supplemental-02/25/05	+ 6,076.00
Supplemental-02/13/06	+ 3,133.78
Spent in FY 04	-30,531.76
Spent in FY 05	-23,382.60
Spent in FY 06	- 2,626.00
Spent in FY 07	- 2,844.81
Recalled-12/31/04	- 7,949.69
Recalled-12/31/05	- 333.95
Recalled-12/31/06	- 288.00
Remaining & Recalled 06/30/07	- .97

REAP COST SHARE PROGRAM

FY 06-07 Practices Allocation-08/16/06	7,369.29
Reallocated from FY 06-07/01/06	+ 6,505.50
Spent in FY 07	- 2,913.18
Reallocated to FY 08	- 6,920.50
Remaining & Recalled-06/30/07	- 4,041.61

FY 06-07 Forestry & Native Grasses

Allocation-08/16/06	2,456.43
Remaining & Recalled-06/30/07	- 2,456.43

REVOLVING FUND-The following funds have been earned by the District Commissioners in various sales programs; trees, flags, scales, etc. and as reimbursement from the Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship-Division of Soil Conservation for expenses and supplies incurred by the Commissioners. Employee payroll has been donated by the Iowa Department of Agriculture-Division of Soil Conservation, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service, National and Local Pheasants Forever, Delaware County Conservation Board, and others. These Funds are used for the operation of our office, to educate and award the Delaware County public on soil and water conservation, and to employ persons to promote conservation programs in our County.

Balance 07/01/06 12,788.54

Plus:

Accrued Earnings on Check.Acct.	48.89
IM Fund Reimbursement	2,136.40
Payroll Funds	37,744.21
Tree Sales Program	19,278.54
Watershed Reimbursement	837.86
Other Deposits	254.00

Minus:

Annual Report	278.64
Commissioner Expenses	890.40
Education items, awards, etc.	593.92
Employee Wages, Taxes, etc	38,634.88
IASWCD, NACD, IA Watersheds	1,500.00
Nursery License	25.00
Sales Tax	1,050.00
Tree Expenses	9,195.29
Watershed Expenses	782.27
Misc. Expenses	710.81
Balance 06/30/07	19,427.26

Don Eibey Memorial Award Savings

Beginning Balance 07/01/06	1,510.92
Interest Earned	+ 38.13
Balance 06/30/07	1,549.05

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Beginning Balance 07/01/06	10,849.15
Interest Earned	+ 585.30
Balance 06/30/07	11,434.45

Conservation Accomplishments

October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007

	No.	Acres/Feet
Ag Waste Facility	1	
Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans		
- Planned	9	
- Applied	5	
Conservation Plans		11,600.0 ac.
Conservation Reserve Program		
- Contour Buffer Strips		1.6 ac.
- Farmable Wetland/Buffer		3.0 ac.
- Field Windbreak		9.0 ac.
- Filter Strips		239.6 ac.
- Grass Waterways	11	37.6 ac.
- Habitat Buffer Strips		99.1 ac.
- Riparian Buffer		4.0 ac.
- Shelter Belt	2	3.0 ac.
- Wildlife Habitat		
Wetland/Buffer		27.4 ac.
Conservation Tillage Systems		7,306.0 ac.
Contour Farming		200.0 ac.
Forest Stand Improvement		20.0 ac.
Grassed Waterways (Non CRP)	15	37.9 ac.
Grade Stabilization Structures	1	
Grazing Land Applied		421.0 ac.
Streambank Protection		3,045.0 ft.
Terraces		16,446.0 ft.
Tree Planting		60.0 ac.
Windbreak/Shelterbelt (Non CRP)	5	
Water & Sediment Control Basin	11	
Wetland Restoration	2	36.1 ac.
Contour Stripcropping/Buffer Strips		439.0 ac.

Delaware Soil & Water Conservation District

2008 Tree Sales Program

Orders accepted from January 1, 2008 to March 15, 2008. There is ***NO SURVIVAL GUARANTEE*** on stock sold at these prices. All trees are hardy bare root seedlings. If you have any questions or would like recommendations according to soil type, spacing, etc., please call (563-927-4590), write, or stop in. Arrival date of trees will be 2nd/3rd week in April, exact date will be mailed to you approximately one week before. It is the buyer's responsibility to pick the trees up from us, WE DO NOT DELIVER OR MAIL ANY ORDERS.

Name:				Phone:		Address/City/St/Zip:	
Species	Quantity	Cost/ea.	Total Cost	Size	Soil Type	Mature Height	Description
Arborvitae, American, Potted		\$ 6.00		15-18"	variety	20-30'	hardy, dense dark green pyramidal evergreen shrub. Ideal for windbreaks
Arborvitae, Techny Potted		\$ 6.00		15-18"	tough sites'	20-30'	darker green foliage, compact crown. Resistant to winter burn and drought damage.
Spruce, Black Hills Potted		\$ 6.00		15-18"	does well on dry sites	40-60'	Attractive bluish-green color. Used windbreaks and wildlife habitat.
Spruce, Norway Potted		\$ 6.00		15-18"	prefers moist soils	75-100'	fast growing, well shaped. Use in windbreaks or Christmas trees.
Ash, Green		\$ 2.00		2-3'	moist to drought resistant	50-75'	vigorous widely adapted, well shaped with dense foilage, brilliant yellow in fall.
Birch, Paper		\$ 2.00		2-3'	moist	50-70'	bark chalky white, peeling in thin strips.
Butternut		\$ 2.00		18-24"	prefers moist, will grow on sandy	40-60'	produces clusters of sweet nuts for wildlife and baking. Preferred wood for woodcarving.
Cedar, Eastern Red		\$ 2.00		15-18"	poor, dry soils	40-50'	leaves overlapping, dark green. Cones berrylike, dark blue, with waxy bloom.
Cherry, Black		\$ 2.00		2-3'	rich moist soils	60'	fruit eaten by many wildlife species. Wood deep rich red color, prized by furniture makers.
Cranberrybush, American		\$ 2.00		2-3'	well drained, moist	6-15'	clusters of white flowers which yield bright red fruits in fall. Attraction for wildlife.
Dogwood, Redosier		\$ 2.00		2-3'	moderately wet	7-10'	white flowers produce white berries in fall, twigs turn red in dormancy.Attraction for wildlife.
Fir, Concolor		\$ 2.00		7-15"	dry to moist soils	75-100'	blue green. Provides winter cover for wildlife.
Hazelnut		\$ 2.00		18-24"	best in well drained loamy soils	8-10'	thrives in partial shade. Great wildlife species. Edible nut.
Lilac, Common Purple		\$ 2.00		2-3'	moist to dry soils	20'	Fragrant, lavender flowers.
Maple, Silver		\$ 2.00		2-3'	moist or moderatelydrained soils	60-80'	seeds used by songbirds & small mammals. Fast growing.
Maple, Sugar		\$ 2.00		2-3'	moderate to well drained	60-100'	Principal species used in maple syrup production. Also referred to as hard maple.
Oak, Bur		\$ 2.00		2-3'	dry uplands to moist floodplains	50-80'	Dark green in summer, yellow to yellowish brown in fall.
Oak, Pin		\$ 2.00		18-24"	tolerates poorly drained, wet soils	50-90'	Very fast growing. Waterfowl feed on acorns.
Oak, Red		\$ 2.00		2-3'	dry uplands	75-100'	Fast growing. Dense, lustrous green foliage turns a deep red in fall.
Oak, Swamp White		\$ 2.00		2-3'	can tolerate high moisture	70-80'	Fairly fast growing. Wood is good for lumber and veneer. Acorns good for wildlife.
Oak, White		\$ 2.00		2-3'	moist, well drained upland soils	80-100'	acorns eaten by turkey, bluejay, and ruffed grouse.
Pine, Scotch		\$ 2.00		8-12"	variety	50-75'	Excellent Christmas tree.
Pine, White		\$ 2.00		8-12"	sandy loam soils	60-100'	NE IA native, excellent for timber, windbreak, and Christmas trees.
Plum, American		\$ 2.00		2-3'	very hardy/drought resistant	18'	Fruit eaten by catbird, brown thrasher, robin & cardinal. Fruit good for jam.
Spruce, Black Hills		\$ 2.00		12-18"	does well on dry sites	40-60'	Attractive bluish-green color. Used windbreaks and wildlife habitat.
Spruce, Colorado		\$ 2.00		12-18"	dry upland	75-100'	Beautiful blue green foliage. Very ornamental.
Spruce, Norway		\$ 2.00		7-15"	prefers moist soils	75-100'	fast growing, well shaped. Use in windbreaks or Christmas trees.
Spruce, White		\$ 2.00		7-15"	moist sandy loam	50-60'	use in windbreaks and mixed plantings.
Walnut		\$ 2.00		2-3'	prefers moist, well drained soils	70-90'	Valuable hardwood. Nut meats are delicious.
Marking Flags		\$ 0.10					4 x 5 ' marking flags, 36' steel staff.

Order Total

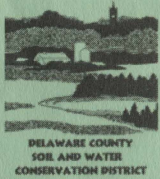
Sales Tax X

Total Cost

0.07

Send this order form along with payment to (Make checks payable to):

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TREE ORDER