

# Lac qui Parle Soil and Water Conservation District



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### *LqP SWCD Meet with Local Legislators*

Bob Ludvigson, Board Supervisor, & Terry Wittnebel, District Manager, from the Lac qui Parle Soil & Water Conservation District, attended a legislative briefing and meeting at the State Capitol February 28-March 1 in St. Paul.

They joined a group of other officials from the state's soil and water conservation districts who met in St. Paul to gather support for conservation districts' programs and issues. The 2011 Legislative Session will be critical to the future of conservation programs in the state, and it's important to get the conservation message to local officials as they address issues like state funding and competitive grants for SWCDs while at the same time addressing a budget deficit. SWCDs want to make sure local soil and water conservation issues don't fall by the way-side.

During the visit to St. Paul, Bob and Terry met with Senator Gary Kubly and Representative Andrew Falk. Both acknowledged the crucial niche SWCDs fill providing land and water conservation services to owners of private lands.

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