

Lac qui Parle Soil & Water Conservation District

BWSR Grants

State Cost Share \$19,669.00

Funds Returned to State

Type \$.00

Date Fund Returned: NA

Grant Period (incl. extensions)

From: Date:7/1/2009

To: Date 6/30/2011

State Cost Share Expenditures by Category

Technical Assistance Funds

Tech & Admin Funds	\$1210.00

Implementation Funds

Windbreak/ shelterbelts	\$.00
Terraces or 638's	4842.00

Total State Cost Share Implementation Expenditures	\$6496.00
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PROJECT CONTACT

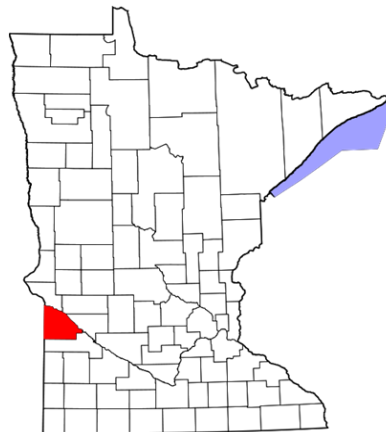
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FY 2010 State Cost Share Program

Lac qui Parle SWCD boundary follows Lac qui Parle County lines



Overall Project Description

The State Cost-Share Program provides landowners with financial assistance (cost-share up to 75%) to offset the cost of installing conservation practices that protect and improve water quality by reducing sedimentation and controlling soil erosion. State cost-share dollars are combined with federal funding whenever possible to reach the 75%. Some of the eligible practices include:

- Wastewater/Feedlot Runoff Control- Terraces/Diversion
- Water/Sediment Control Basins- Field Windbreaks
- Farmstead Windbreaks- Grassed Waterways

The following SWCD Technical Assistance is available to all landowners, not just farmers:

- Conduct a site investigation with the landowner/operator
- Work with landowner to determine the best management practice possible for the given situation;
- Survey and design the project;
- Produce a rough cost-estimate;
- Provide landowner with a design plan for submission of bids;
- Perform a pre-construction conference with the contractor and the landowner;
- Supervise construction; and
- Certify completion of the project.

Conservation Practices Implemented

Conservation Practices Installed	Number or Feet Installed	Est. Pollutant Load Reduction Phosphorus/Sediment	Landowner Share	State Cost Share
Water & sediment control basins	3 units	36.2 tons soil/year 36 lbs. phosphorus/year	\$2901.00	\$4842.00

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BWSR Service Grants

General Services - \$22,193.00
 RIM Services - \$11,856.00
 Farm Bill Assistant - \$8566.00

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Service Grant Expenditures (by Category)

Technical/Administrative
Assistance Funds

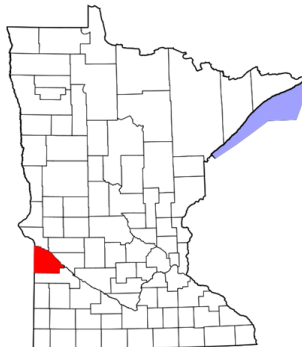
General Service Grant	\$22,193.00
RIM Services Grant	\$11,856.00
Farm Bill Assistant Grant	\$8,566.00

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FY 2010 Service Grants: General Services; RIM Services; Farm Bill Assistant

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Overall Project Description and Outputs

The General Service Grant is given to the SWCD for the general administration and operation of the district. These administrative and operational costs include: employee wages and expenses, office space, transportation, insurance, postage, dues/fees, utilities, and supervisors' compensation and expenses.

All funds were expended as of June 30, 2010.

27 field check status reviews were completed on 31 engineered practices and 9 ecological practices.

SWCD 2010 workload included ecological and engineered practices funded with previous FY state cost share, as well as EQIP and CWP funded engineered practices: 14 water & sediment control basins, 4 diversions (reducing sediment load & P by 142.8 ton/yr of each) and 6 windbreak/shelterbelts not reported elsewhere.

Ongoing projects included 6 WASCBS, 2 terraces, and 1 diversion, with 15 additional landowner requests for field investigation of erosion problems.

The RIM Service Grant is given to the SWCD to help market the Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM), the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) and the Wetland Reserve Program/Reinvest in Minnesota (WRP/RIM) programs; attend training session; conduct screening committee meetings; process easements; perform on-site investigations and surveys; monitor easements and conduct spot-checks; and perform courthouse searches and finalize easements.

All funds were expended as of December 30, 2010.

Completed 61 status reviews on 2,960.5 acres.

The Farm Bill Assistant Grant is used by the SWCD to hire part-time staff to increase landowner participation in the conservation provisions of the Federal Farm Bill which increase the amount of native grasses and wetland on the landscape to enhance water quality, reduce soil erosion, and increase fish & wildlife habitat.

All funds were expended as of August 31, 2010.

38 contracts were signed by landowners enrolling 764.9 acres into the following:

<u>Programs</u>	<u>Contracts</u>	<u>Practice</u>	<u>Acres</u>
CCRP 21	9	Filter Strips	36.5 acres
CCRP 23	13	Wetlands	304.9 acres
other	16	Management Activities	423.5 acres

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BWSR Grants

Water Plan \$21,160.00

Leveraged Funds

LqP County \$2,582.00

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State Cost Share Expenditures by Category

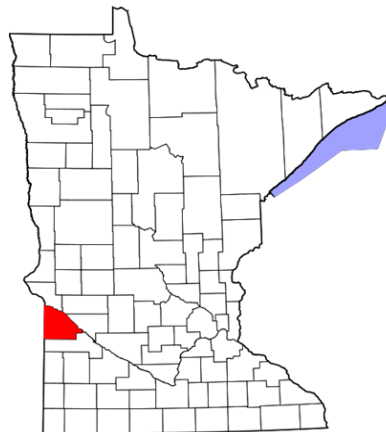
Technical Assistance Funds	
Administrative Funds	\$8196.00
LqPYellow-Bank Clean Water Partnership	\$6000.00
Total TA Funds	\$14,196.00
Implementation Funds	
Education/Outreach	\$1300.00
Well Decommissioning	\$7203.69
	\$.00
	\$.00
Total Water Plan Implementation Expenditures	\$8503.69

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FY 2010 NRBG Lac qui Parle County Water Plan

Lac qui Parle SWCD boundary follows Lac qui Parle County lines



Overall Project Description: Local Water Management

The Lac qui Parle SWCD administers the Lac qui Parle County Comprehensive Water Quality Management Plan. The LqP SWCD District Manager serves as the Water Plan Coordinator.

Administrative funds cover the costs incurred by the SWCD for administering the County's Water Plan and the Ag Best Management Practices Low Interest Loan Program. Charges made by the SWCD are based on staff hours spent. Envelope and stamp purchases are reported, but the SWCD does not include copying costs, SWCD Board time, paper, labels, or other office supply costs. The Coordinator worked with the Environmental Officer and 4 livestock producers to submit an Ag Waste Water Quality Grant, but the application deadline could not be met. Planning continues in anticipation of a 2011 application.

The Water Plan contributed \$6,000 to the Clean Water Partnership which is used toward staff salary. In addition the Water Plan Coordinator assisted the CWP with several grant applications, served on the CWP TEAM, and supported/participated in 4 TMDL stakeholder meetings.

A variety of education/outreach activities included: water quality activity presented to middle school classes, \$500 to the annual area wide Environmental Fair for 6th graders, financial support and presentation for high school science class canoe trip. Partnered to organize & present Recycle the Rain Workshop (how to make your own rain barrel), applied/received RC&D grant to provide additional water quality activities for Dawson Riverfest, booth at farm/home show event, river clean-up project, weekly live radio program April-October, SWCD quarterly newsletter. Provided fair booth for CWP and Environmental Office. Purchased laminating film and printer ink cartridges.

The County priority use of water plan implementation funds is to seal unused wells. Wells are sealed at 75% cost share, not to exceed \$500. All applicants are encouraged to apply for EQIP funds if eligible. Carry over from 2009 was \$2011.81, and \$1042.31 is carried over to 2011. Three landowners with 5 wells are on the waiting list for 2011.

Pollution reduction outcome of well sealing is preventative pollution.

21 wells – Water Plan CS \$7203.69 – EQIP \$1372.00 – landowner share \$5965.00