



Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program

South Central MAWQCP Certification Specialist

Serving the Counties of: Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, LeSueur, Martin, McLeod, Nicollet, Renville, Sibley, Waseca, Watonwan



Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance



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AREA 6 MAWQCP CERTIFICATION SPECIALIST
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Workload:

- Working with producers and SWCDs to complete assessments and certifications
- Assisting producers with MDA Grant Applications
- Practice design
- Cover Crop Plans
- Contacting producers with old applications

| AREA 6 | Applications | Assessments | Certifications |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| Blue Earth SWCD | 13 | 12 | 7 |
| Brown SWCD | 9 | 6 | 3 |
| Faribault SWCD | 19 | 13 | 7 |
| LeSueur SWCD | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Martin SWCD | 8 | 5 | 5 |
| McLeod SWCD | 7 | 5 | 3 |
| Nicollet SWCD | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Renville SWCD | 7 | 7 | 5 |
| Sibley SWCD | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Waseca SWCD | 8 | 7 | 2 |
| Watonwan SWCD | 10 | 6 | 5 |
| Total | 87 | 66 | 41 |



A Faribault County producer used the MDA grant to inter-seed this cover crop into standing corn. The cover crop was broadcast seeded on June 10th followed by a sidedress nitrogen application. Photos taken on August 29th.

MAWQCP Numbers as of 9-10-18

- 640 producers certified
- 403,334 acres certified
- 1,220 new practices installed or planned to be installed
- Sediment delivery to surface waters reduced by 21,474 tons per year (42,948,560 lbs.)
- Soil loss reduced by 57,542 tons per year (115,083,333 lbs.)
- Phosphorus loss reduced by 25,194 lbs. of P per year

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