

Month Ending 9/30/2019
GBERBA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - 10/11/2019

Checking /Savings Beginning Balance - 8/31/2019	\$ 99,000.31
Total Receipts	58,765.57
Total Disbursements	(41,094.31)
Checking/Savings Balance - 9/30/19	\$ 116,671.57
Receipts 9/1/19 to 9/30/19	
Transfer of \$10,000 to Checking	\$ 10,000.00
Minnesota Department of Ag - July	\$ 13,724.90
Minnesota Department of Ag - August	\$ 16,653.31
MN Pollution Control Agency - Grant 33 (Conservation Drainage)	\$ 18,380.21
Interest	7.15
	\$ 58,765.57

Disbursements - 9/1/19-9/30/2019	
3787 Cottonwood SWCD - GBERBA Coordinators	\$4,334.00
3788 Martin SWCD - Financial Coordinator	376.00
3789 Pipestone SWCD - MAWQCP Area 5 Specialist	6,735.93
3790 Cottonwood SWCD - MAWQCP Area 6 Specialist	9,174.43
3791 Cottonwood SWCD - Watonwan Watershed Specialist	3,158.95
3792 Larry Cowing - C-S Contract - 319-TMDL-16-46-04 - Cover Crops	1,215.00
3793 Yellow Medicine SWCD - TS-87-5-05 - MAWQCP Additional Technical Assistance	6,000.00
3794 David Heard - 59-5-28 -MAWQCP Worksheet Incentive	100.00
Transfer of \$10,000 from Savings	10,000.00
	\$41,094.31

Accounts Payable - 10/11/19	
3795 Cottonwood SWCD - GBERBA Coordinators	\$4,334.00
3796 Martin SWCD - Financial Coordinator	282.00
3797 Pipestone SWCD - MAWQCP Area 5 Specialist	6,205.07
3798 Cottonwood SWCD - MAWQCP Area 6 Specialist	6,902.33
3799 Cottonwood SWCD - Watonwan Watershed Specialist - Grant 38	2,574.95
3800 Cottonwood SWCD - Watonwan Watershed Specialist - Grant 39	1,530.00
3801 MTS Farm and Events, LLC - Venue Rental - VOID	0.00
3802 Ethan Quade - 17-5-23 - MAWQCP Worksheet Incentive	100.00
3803 Brad Petersen - 67-5-14 - MAWQCP Worksheet Incentive	100.00
3804 Tom Fick - 67-5-15 - MAWQCP Worksheet Incentive	100.00
3805 Tim Dritz - 41-5-17 - MAWQCP Worksheet Incentive	100.00
3806 Haase Family Farms - 22-6-17 - MAWQCP Worksheet/Certification Incentive	300.00
3807 Byron Properties of New Richland - CWF-MDM-17-81-01 - C-S Bioreactor - Prtl	27,439.64
3808 MTS Farm and Events, LLC - Venue Rental	100.00
	\$50,067.99

Accounts Receivable	
Minnesota Department of Ag. - September - Received	\$ 20,526.01
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency - 319-TMDL Grant - 37 - Received	18,380.24
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency - 319-TMDL Grant - 33 - Received	97,648.93
	\$ 136,555.18
United Prairie Bank - Account Transfer - \$1,000 (Savings #3367 to Checking #1839)	
	\$ 1,000.00

Bank Account Balances	
GBERBA Checking - #1839	\$ 49,671.00
GBERBA CWL Savings - #3367	36,978.11
GBERBA Operating Savings - regulated funds - #1871	30,022.46
	\$ 116,671.57

GBERBA Cost-Share Projects

GBERBA Technical Committee Meeting - 10/23/2019

Red (action needed)	Grant	County Number & Contract Funds	Original Encumbered	Amendment	Payment Request	New Contract Funds	Slippage/Re-Encumbered Funds	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Approval Needed
New Projects	Jared Mensing	319-TMDL-16	22-45		\$1,900.00	\$1,900.00	Cover Crops - 76 ac.	\$3,800.00	Tech	
	Neal Mensing	319-TMDL-16	22-46		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	Cover Crops - 80 ac.	\$4,000.00	Tech	
	Terry Groskreutz	319-TMDL-16	81-07		\$750.00	\$750.00	Cover Crops - 30 ac.	\$1,500.00	Tech	
	Cancellations	Steve Michels	319-TMDL-16	08-01	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	Cover Crop - 40 ac	\$2,000.00	Tech	
	Amendments									
	Administrative Change (From one grant to another)									
Partial Payment	Bryon Properties of New Richland	CWF-MDM-17	81-01		\$27,439.64	\$27,439.64	Bioreactor	\$36,586.19	Tech	
	Tom Klug	CWF-MDM-17	81-04		\$1,306.70	\$1,306.70	Cover Crop - 55 ac	\$2,613.40	Tech, Policy	
	MAWQCP Incentive Contracts									
Ethan Quade	MAWQCP	17-5-23			\$100.00	\$100.00	Worksheet Incentive	\$100.00	Exec - Done	
Brad Peterson	MAWQCP	67-5-14			\$100.00	\$100.00	Worksheet Incentive	\$100.00	Exec - Done	
Tom Fick	MAWQCP	67-5-15			\$100.00	\$100.00	Worksheet Incentive	\$100.00	Exec - Done	
Tim Dritz	MAWQCP	41-5-17			\$100.00	\$100.00	Worksheet Incentive	\$100.00	Exec - Done	
Haase Family Farms	MAWQCP	22-6-16			\$300.00	\$300.00	Worksheet/Certification	\$300.00	Exec - Done	

Grant Balances and Projects **GBERBA Technical Committee Meeting -10/23/19**

County	Code	Project Dev. & T/E	Grant Deadlines		Grant 33		Grant 37	
			Grant 33	Grant 37	319 Drainage	Cover Crops/Intakes	Multi Purpose DM	Grant 39
			8/31/2019	8/31/2020			12/31/2019	
			\$104,000.00	\$300,000.00			\$226,000.00	
Blue Earth	7		\$9,560.00	\$10,427.49			\$86,325.00	
Brown	8			\$2,350.24				
Cottonwood	17			\$15,022.14				
Faribault	22		\$91,891.48	\$76,305.74			\$1,575.00	
Freeborn	24		\$0.00	\$6,960.00				
Jackson	32							
LeSueur	40			\$5,837.50			\$50,000.00	
Martin	46			\$8,805.83				
Waseca	81			\$20,101.20			\$85,625.00	
Watonwan	83							
Encumbered and/or Paid Totals			\$101,451.48	\$145,830.14			\$223,525.00	
Funds Remaining			\$2,548.52	\$154,189.86			\$2,475.00	

319 Drainage	Grant 33	Grant 37	Expiration Date	Payment Date
CWF-R&G14	22-06x	CD514 - Fari. Co. D.A.		
		JCD No. 414		
FY16 - CWP	22-02x	Martin/Faribault Co. DA	4/30/2018 Administrative Move	12/20/2017
319-COP-16	24-01	Stanley Thompson	12/31/18 to 8/31/19	
FY14-CWP-DRAIN-15	22-01	Faribault Co D.A.	6/1/2018 Administrative Move	
			8/1/2019 Administrative Move and Amendment to Increase Funding	
319-COP-16	22-02	Faribault Co D.A. CD41		
319-COP-16	07-01	Blue Earth Co D.A. JD85	7/31/2019	6/27/2018
319-COP-16	22-03	Faribault Co D.A. JD 1F	Additional 7 Alternative Side Inlets increase Funding and Approved for 75% C-S	7/19/2019
		TOTAL	Amendment Cancel 7/19/19 \$16,750.00	
			Slippage - \$2,940	
			Amendment (3)	

319 Drainage/Cover Crops	Grant 33	Grant 37	Expiration Date	Payment Date
319-TMDL	46-01	Larry Cowing		
319-TMDL	17-01	Ramont Schrock	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/20/2017
319-TMDL	46-02	Harvey Hagedorn	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/20/2017
319-TMDL	24-01	Doug Redman		10/30/2017
319-TMDL	07-01	Lucas Bunde		11/17/2017
319-TMDL	22-01	Wegner Farms		3/9/2018
319-TMDL	22-02	Ryan O'Hare		10/30/2017
319-TMDL	22-03	Andy Linder		12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-04	J-Ace Farms, Inc		12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-05	Matt Alford	5/15/2018	
319-TMDL	22-06	William Rauenhors	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-07	Dean Schimek	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-08	Neal Mensing	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-09	Clint Eastman	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	07-03	Roger Hubmer	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	07-04	John Frey	9/15/2019	3/8/2019
319-TMDL	22-10	Scott Volz	9/15/2019	1/11/2019
319-TMDL	83-01	Greenwood Prop. LLC	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	83-02	Gary Dannhoff	4/12/2019	
319-TMDL	17-02	Darby Harder	4/12/2019	
319-TMDL	22-11	Dennis Baxter	11/1/2018	3/8/2019
319-TMDL	22-12	Dennis Baxter	7/1/2020	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-13	Steve Lawrence	7/1/2020	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	83-03	George Sill	7/1/2020	9/19/2018
319-TMDL	83-04	Jerry Sill	4/12/19 to 12/31/19	
319-TMDL	07-02	Matt Warmka	4/13/2019	7/19/2019
319-TMDL	22-14	Brent Haase	9/15/2019	
319-TMDL	22-15	Scott Haase	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-16	Kenneth Haase	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-17	Eric Wegner	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-18	Jeff Schultz		
319-TMDL	46-03	David Ammann	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	81-01	Thomas Klug	12/31/2018	
319-TMDL	07-05	John Rollings	12/31/2018	
319-TMDL	83-05	Porter-Ann Gaines Whiteside	9/15/2019	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-19	Ryan Hagedorn	6/17/2019 to 12/31/19	
319-TMDL	22-20	Trails End Farm	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-21	Tim Peterson	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-22	Dominic Schultz	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	22-23	Greg Johanson	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	83-06	Ben Christensen	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	83-07	Porter-Ann Gaines Whiteside	11/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	83-08	Homewood Farms	12/1/18 to 12/1/19	10/12/2018
319-TMDL	83-09	AVG II, LLC	12/1/18 to 12/31/19	12/19/2018
319-TMDL	24-02	Glen Ausen		
319-TMDL	24-03	Casey Madison		
319-TMDL	17-03	Curtis Janzen		
319-TMDL	22-24	Ronald Volsen		
319-TMDL	22-25	Eric Volsen		

Grant Balances and Projects

GBERBA Technical Committee Meeting -10/23/19

County	Code	Grant Deadlines Project Funds Project Dev. & T/E	Grant 33		Grant 37		Grant 39	
			319 Drainage 8/31/2019	Cover Crops/Intakes 8/31/2020	Cover Crops/Intakes 8/31/2020	Multi Purpose DM 12/31/2019		
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Brown	8			\$2,350.24				
Cottonwood	17			\$15,022.14				
Faribault	22		\$91,891.48	\$76,305.74	\$1,575.00			
Freeborn	24		\$0.00	\$6,960.00				
Jackson	32							
LeSueur	40				\$50,000.00			
Martin	46			\$5,837.50				
Waseca	81			\$8,805.83				
Watsonwan	83			\$20,101.20				

Encumbered and/or Paid Totals			\$101,451.48	\$123,310.14	\$223,525.00		
Funds Remaining			\$2,548.52	\$154,189.86	\$2,475.00		

319-TMDL	83-10	Noren Durheim	\$0.00	cover crops	Amend/Cancel 10-19	6/17/2019 to 12/31/19
319-TMDL	08-01	Steve Michels	\$0.00	cover crops	Amend/Cancel 10-19	11/1/18 to 11/1/19
319-TMDL	08-02	Bryon Christenson	\$2,350.24	cover crops	Slippage - \$87.26	11/1/2018 11/9/2018
319-TMDL	17-04	Ramont Schrock	\$924.00	cover crops		12/1/2018 12/19/2018
319-TMDL	81-02	Naomi Schaeetzke	\$501.75	cover crops		12/1/2019 1/11/2019
319-TMDL	81-03	Marvin Guse	\$750.00	alternative tile intakes	Partial Payment 2-19	2/8/2019
319-TMDL	46-04	Larry Cowling	\$1,215.00	cover crops	Slippage - \$660.00	9/13/2019
319-TMDL	46-05	Andrew Krusemark	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-26	Matt Alford	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-27	Andrew Linder	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-28	Linder Family Farms	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-29	Leo Olson	\$1,250.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	46-06	Wade Krenz	\$1,025.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	17-05	Tom Muller	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-30	William Rauenhorst	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	17-06	Ramont Schrock	\$1,775.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-31	Bill Anderson	\$500.00	alternative tile intakes		
319-TMDL	22-32	Kurt Schimek	\$1,375.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-33	J-Ace Farms, Inc - J.Erdahl	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-34	Scott Volz	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-35	Tim Murray	\$1,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-36	Daryl Murray	\$1,125.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	17-07	Darby Harder	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	07-07	Roger Hubmer	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	07-08	John Rollings	\$500.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	81-04	Tom Klug	\$1,306.70	cover crops	Slippage - \$68.30	11/8/2019
319-TMDL	81-05	Dan Roemhildt	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-37	Mark Yokiel	\$1,750.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-38	Nathan Carr	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-39	Clint Eastman	\$1,900.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-40	Ryan Hagedorn	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-41	Eric Volsen	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-42	Roger Iliff	\$1,850.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	81-06	Mark Byron	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-43	Shawn Hassing	\$1,500.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-44	Schimek Enterprises	\$1,725.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	17-08	Tony Dick	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-45	Jared Mensing	\$1,900.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	22-46	Neal Mensing	\$2,000.00	cover crops		
319-TMDL	81-07	Terry Groskreutz	\$750.00	cover crops		
TOTAL			\$23,550.00			

FY17 Multipurpose Drainage

County	Code	Project	Amount	Notes	Expiration Date	Payment Date
Blue Earth DA	07-01	%Craig Austinson	\$23,550.00	side inlets		1/12/2018
Byron Properties of New Richland	81-01		\$35,625.00	Bioreactor	12/1/18 to 12/1/19	10-11-19 Held Until Approved by Tech
G&S Drainage & Excavating	22-01		\$1,575.00	Drainage Water Mgmt Plan Storage and Treatment		
Le Sueur County Drainage Authority	40-01		\$50,000.00	Wetland	4/31/19 12/1/19	10/12/2018
Blue Earth DA	07-02	%Craig Austinson	\$25,125.00	Water Sediment Control Basin or ASI/ASIRO	C-S Increase \$13,551.50	
Blue Earth DA	07-03	%Craig Austinson	\$37,650.00	Water Sediment Control Basin or ASI/ASIRO	12/1/2019	
Waseca County Drainage Authority	81-02		\$50,000.00	Storage and Treatment Wetland Restoration	12/1/2019	
TOTAL			\$223,525.00			

Amendment Partial
Pmt 10-11-19
\$27,439.64

Amendment

DATE: OCTOBER 23, 2019
TO: GBERBA MEMBERS
FROM: KAY GROSS and DAVID BUCKLIN, GBERBA COORDINATORS
SUBJECT: COORDINATOR REPORT GBERBA TECHNICAL MEETING

MN Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program

Update on progress made in areas 5 and 6 – See Certification Specialist Reports. Over 500,000 acres certified! **MDA will be working with GBERBA to extend our agreement for another five years.**

2016 MPCA – 319 Drainage Grant **GRANT COMPLETED**

An Outreach Booklet has been printed and will be sent to Drainage staff and elected officials to see conservation opportunities and potential in drainage systems.

319 Drainage Grant: Side inlet structures 50% cost share. These are federal dollars matched by state or local dollars. **We have submitted the final report.**

2017 MPCA 319 Grant - Cover Crops and Alternative Tile Intakes

An Implementation Policy Paper for the grant titled "Greater Blue Earth River Basin TMDL Implementation" has been developed and reviewed at the Technical meeting. This guidance document will be posted on the GBERBA website. Cover crops: \$50.00 dollars per acre maximum, 50% cost share maximum (\$25.00 ac.), 80-acre size maximum per owner. Prioritization required. Alternative intakes: Rock and pattern tile. \$500.00 maximum and 50% cost share. These are federal dollars and require state or local match. Perforated risers, broom and other water quality intakes: \$200.00 maximum and 50% cost share. These are federal dollars and require state or local match.

The grant amendment has been completed and all remaining cost share for projects including Alternative intakes, Side inlets, and Cover crops will be at 50% cost share. New grant policy papers have been generated. **Grant End Date 8-31-2020**

2017 CWF Grant- Multipurpose Drainage Management

Multipurpose Drainage Management - \$301,200: Projects for this Drainage Grant will need to be located in public ditch sheds. **GBERBA member entire counties are eligible.** Priority parameters are developed to identify the eligible ditches. A guidance policy sheet is online.

A grant Work Plan Revision has been approved by the BWSR to allow for CAP 130 Drainage Water Management plans and for Structures for Water Control.

Grant Amendment Agreement will be approved and signed at the November 8 Policy Board/Technical Committee Joint Meeting and returned to BWSR; this will extend the expiration date to 12-31-2020.

One Watershed One Plan Planning Grants, Watonwan Watershed

The Watonwan 1W1P Project is in full swing completing the plan language. The Advisory/ Steering Committee last met on October 2, to review progress made on the measurable goals, actions, and programs table. These will need to be completed for all issues in the plan.

2020 Clean Water Fund Grant Potential

GBERBA staff submitted a Drinking Water Protection Grant application as well as a MDM Grant application. BWSR will announce the grant awards in January. GBERBA will also apply for a Cover Crop Grant through BWSR due October 24.

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Topics: Past Events, Upcoming Events, Working on

Past Events:

- Oct 2 – Watonwan 1W1P Advisory Committee Meeting, St. James, MN
- Oct 16 – Watonwan 1W1P Steering Committee Meeting, St. James, MN
- Oct 16 – Watonwan 1W1P Policy Committee Meeting, St. James, MN
- Oct 23 – GBERBA Tech Meeting, Mankato, MN

Upcoming Events:

- Oct 29 to 31 – BWSR Academy, Breezy Point, MN
- Nov 6 – Watonwan 1W1P Advisory Committee Meeting, St. James, MN
- Nov 8 – GBERBA Policy/Tech Meeting, Mankato, MN
- Nov 20 – Watonwan 1W1P Science Meeting, St. James, MN

Working on:

- *JAA Cover Crops:* Have been working with Dawn Madison to see what will be needed to achieve JAA for cover crops. Lawrence Svien of BSWR will be meeting with Cottonwood SWCD technical staff on November 14th to go over which JAA staff currently have and which JAA staff are pursuing.
- *GBERBA Cover Crop Demonstration Grant:* Have been assisting Kay and Dave with the Cover Crop Demonstration Grant Application for GBERBA, the grant is due October 24th. GBERBA plans to go county wide for GBERBA members for education, and cost-share will only be in the Blue Earth, Le Sueur, and Watonwan River Watersheds. Ideas for this grant have included an interactive website/story map featuring experienced cover crop users, having soil health buckets for each SWCD office, getting tabletop rainfall simulators, having at least one staff member in each SWCD office with JAA in cover crops, having two demonstration sites per watershed, and cost share for first time cover crop implementers. The plan for cost-share is to implement 800 acres of cover crops per year for 3 years, 2400 acres total over a three-year span. The cost share contracts will be for three years at a flat rate of \$60/acre in DWSMAs and \$40/acre for land not within DWSMAs.
- *Watonwan River One Watershed, One Plan:* The Watonwan One Watershed One Plan Advisory Committee held a meeting October 2nd. The meeting covered the topics of rivers and streams, lakes, and ag drainage. During this meeting the Advisory Committee discussed the measurable goals, actions, and programs in regards to these resource concerns. The next Watonwan Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for November 6th. A separate science based meeting which is primarily for the Steering, Advisory, and Policy Committees members will take place November 20th.

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Serving the counties of Blue Earth, Brown,
Cottonwood, Jackson, Martin, and
Watonwan



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



Herman Bartsch

AREA 6 MAWQCP CERTIFICATION SPECIALIST

October 23rd, 2019

Workload:

- Working with producers and SWCDs to complete assessments and certifications
- Assisting producers with MDA Grant Applications
- Cover Crop Plans
- Practice Plans
 - Field Border
 - Critical Area Planting
 - Manure Pit Closure
 - Roof Runoff
- Program Promotion
- Fairmont Source Water Protection Interagency Meeting - Mankato – 9/30/19
- ACS Meeting – St. Paul – 10/9/19
- GBERBA Cover Crop Demonstration Grant Application

AREA 6	Applications	Assessments	Certifications
Blue Earth SWCD	13	12	7
Brown SWCD	9	6	3
Faribault SWCD	21	16	13
LeSueur SWCD	10	4	3
Martin SWCD	9	5	5
McLeod SWCD	9	7	4
Nicollet SWCD	1	1	1
Renville SWCD	8	7	6
Sibley SWCD	3	3	3
Waseca SWCD	10	9	2
Watonwan SWCD	10	6	5
Total	103	76	52

MAWQCP Numbers as of 10-21-19

- 803 producers certified
- 544,974 acres certified
- 1,699 new practices installed or planned to be installed
- Sediment delivery to surface waters reduced by 36,759 tons per year
- Soil loss reduced by 101,549 tons per year
- Phosphorus loss reduced by 45,404 lbs. of P per year

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DANIELLE EVERS

AREA 5 MAWQCP CERTIFICATION SPECIALIST

Serving the Counties of: Cottonwood, Jackson, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, Rock, & Yellow Medicine

Projects and Workload:

- Continuing to meet with producers for assessments, mapping, & uploading documents for state verification
- Assisting producers in submitting MAWQCP Cost-Share Grant Applications
- Working on Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water MAWQCP incentive applications/assessments
- Been working with producers on Soil Health assessments (infiltration/compaction/Haney test) to promote and follow up with MAWQCP contacts
- Working with the MDA MAWQCP team on creating the Soil Health endorsement for MAWQCP

Events:

- Oct 7th – Haney Soil Test Webinar
- Oct 9th – ACS Meeting – St. Paul, MN
- Oct 22nd - 1W1P Meeting – Luverne, MN
- Oct 29th – We Are Water Meeting – Pipestone, MN

Program Updates and Information:

- ***NEW*** the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) endorsement for MAWQCP certification is now available for producers. Endorsements for Wildlife Habitat and Soil Health coming soon!
- **WRE dollars available** for 30 year and permanent easements through MAWQCP. Please contact your ACS if you know of an interested producer.
- Grant applications still available for up to **\$5,000 75%** cost-share through the MDA for producers
- MAWQCP has certified over **803 farms**, including over **544,974 acres** with **1,699 new BMP's**
- Estimated benefits include: **36,759 tons** of TSS reduced per year, **101,549 tons** soil reduced per year, **45,404 lbs** Phosphorous reduced per year, **36,355 CO_{2-e} tons** per year

YEAR TO DATE NUMBERS

Area 5	Applications	Assessments Completed	Actively Pursuing Cert.	Certifications
Cottonwood SWCD	32	31	2	13
Jackson SWCD	30	27	1	17
Lac Qui Parle SWCD	6	6	0	4
Lincoln SWCD	17	17	1	5
Lyon SWCD	14	13	1	7
Murray SWCD	13	13	1	9
Nobles SWCD	14	14	1	9
Pipestone SWCD	41	38	1	18
Redwood SWCD	34	34	1	22
Rock SWCD	19	16	1	10
Yellow Medicine SWCD	23	23	2	11
Totals	243	231	12	125

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Workload:

- Assisting Herman Bartsch and Danielle Evers with mapping assessed fields in the MAWQCP mapping tool and assessment tool
- Entering producer fields into Web Soil Survey to check for coarse textured soils
- Assisting Herman Bartsch and Danielle Evers with filling in soil and nutrient management information for applicant's fields
- Attended producer meetings with Herman Bartsch and Danielle Evers
- Attending workshops for soil health, cover crops, and other environmental topics

Projects and Events:

- Environmental Fair in Lake Shetek on 9/24-9/25
- Cottonwood SWCD Board Meeting on 9/26
- Watonwan Watershed 1W1P Steering in St. James on 10/2
- Watonwan Watershed 1W1P Steering/Advisory in St. James on 10/2
- GBERBA Executive Meeting in Mankato on 10/11
- Watonwan Watershed 1W1P Steering/Policy Meeting in St. James on 10/16
- GBERBA Technical Meeting in Mankato on 10/23
- CFO Advanced Nutrient Management Training with Alex Schultz in Willmar 10/23-10/24
- Continue to input maps and other data into the mapping and assessment tool

Upcoming Events:

- BWSR Academy with all SWCD and County Staff at Breezy Point 10/29-10/31
- Des Moines 1W1P on 11/4
- Ag Inspector Meeting in Redwood Falls on 11/6
- Watonwan 1W1P Advisory/Steering in St. James on 11/6
- GBERBA Policy/Tech in Mankato on 11/8

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