



Greater Blue Earth River Basin

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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 program promotion, and story map participation
- Contacting producers about endorsements
- Working to line up phone assessments and program reviews.
- Doing field verifications

Events:

- May 14th –Pipestone Board Meeting Presentation
- May 20th –MN Ag Water Quality ACS Meeting/Conference Call

Program Updates and Information:

- Endorsements for Integrated Pest Management (IPM), Wildlife Habitat, & Soil Health available for certified producers.
 - Endorsement information now added to my Year to Date Numbers
- Grant applications still available for up to **\$5,000 75%** cost-share through the MDA for producers
- MAWQCP has certified over **896 farms**, including over **619,343 acres** with **1,855 new BMP's**
- Estimated benefits include: **37,657 tons** of TSS reduced per year, **105,552 tons** soil reduced per year, **46,649 lbs** Phosphorous reduced per year, **38,006 CO_{2-e} tons** per year
- **14** Soil Health Endorsements, **14** Integrated Pest Management Endorsements, **11** Wildlife Endorsements

YEAR TO DATE NUMBERS

Area 5	Applications	Assessments Completed	Actively Pursuing Cert.	Certifications	Endorsements		
					IPM	Soil Health	Wildlife
Cottonwood	35	33	1	15	0	0	0
Jackson	33	32	0	18	2	2	0
Lac Qui Parle	6	6	0	4	0	0	0
Lincoln	21	19	0	7	1	0	1
Lyon	16	14	0	8	0	0	0
Murray	15	14	0	10	0	0	0
Nobles	14	14	0	10	0	0	0
Pipestone	42	39	2	18	0	0	0
Redwood	35	34	1	22	1	1	0
Rock	20	16	0	12	0	0	0
Yellow Med.	28	28	1	15	0	0	0
Totals	264	249	6	140	3	2	1

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