# Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting July 24, 2025 8:15 am 611 Broadway Avee, Suite 10B

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE
- III. AGENDA
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments limited to 5 minutes per speaker

#### V. CONSENT AGENDA -Board Action

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board and may be enacted through one motion. Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed by any of the Board members for separate consideration

#### i. Contract Amendments

A. Kenneth Heise Amendment# 1 for Contract# 25-CC-8 to change the authorized amount to \$1,909.06 for 380 Windbreak / Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation and 490 Tree/Shrub Site Preparation. (Funding source – FY24 Conservation Contracts \$150.99 and FY25 Conservation Contracts \$1,758.07)

#### ii. Vouchers

- A. Kenneh Heise Voucher in the amount of \$1,909.06 for Contract# 25-CC-8 for 380 Windbreak / Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation and 490 Tree/Shrub Site Preparation. (Funding source – FY24 Conservation Contracts \$150.99 and FY25 Conservation Contracts \$1,758.07)
- B. Steve Evers Voucher in the amount of \$14,832.37 for Contract#
   23-CWF-WIC-04 for NRCS (FOTG) 410 Grade Stabilization Structure.
   (Funding source FY23 West Indian Creek Watershed Restoration and Protection)
- C. Richard Oeckler Voucher in the amount of \$500.00 for Contract# 2024WAGZ-WC-14 for Forest Stewardship Plan. (Funding source - FY24 Watershed Based Funding (WAGZ)
- D. Gary Stoning Voucher in the amount of \$1,320.00 for Contract# 25-CC-9 for 327 Conservation Cover.
   (Funding source FY25 Conservation Contracts)

#### VI. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. June 26, 2025, Meeting Minutes – Board Action

#### VII. TREASURER'S REPORT - Board Action

- A. June District Financial Statements Included for your review
- B. June Program Record

#### **VIII. PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS**

A. Monthly Bills in the amount of \$86,867.22 - Board Action

#### IX. DISTRICT REPORTS

- A. Chair Report Lynn Zabel
- B. County Commissioner Bob Walkes
- C. District Manager Report Terri Peters
- D. NRCS Report Christina Taylor (In the packet)
- E. District Technician Report- Matt Kempinger (In the packet)
- F. Natural Resources Technician Report Katelyn Abts (In the packet)
- G. Soil Health/Nutrient Management Tech Report Deanna Pomije (In the packet)
- H. Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant Report -Sue Cerwinske -
- I. BWSR Report -
- J. FSA Agency Report Colleen Pawlenty

#### X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Conservation Project – Lynn (open to any Supervisor for ideas)

#### XI. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- A. Approve Craig Breuer Contract# 2025WAGZ-WC-04 in the amount of \$2,000.00 for Practice 351 Well Decommissioning. Install by date 5/30/26-Board Action (Funding source – FY25 Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro (WAGZ)
- B. Approve Jary Holst Contract# 2025Winc-Wab-001 in the amount of \$13,222.14 for a NRCS (FOTG) 410 Grade Stabilization Structure. Installed by date 11/30/2025-Board Action
  - (Funding source FY25 WinLac 1W1P)
- C. Approve 1864 Joseph Roemer Farm LLC Amendment# 1 to Contract# 2025WAGZ-WC-05 to change address to 22205 699<sup>th</sup> St. Wabasha, MN 55981- **Board Action**
- D. Approve 1864 Joseph Roemer LLC Voucher payment for Contract# 2025WAGZ-WC-05 in the amount of \$3,768.10 for NRCS (FOTG) 410 Grade Stabilization Structure – Board Action
  - (Funding source FY24-FY25 Greater Zumbro Watershed Based Funding (WAGZ)
- E. Nominations for Outstanding Conservation Farmer of the Year. **Discussion**
- F. List of potential 2025 RCPP Soild Health cover crop contracts. Pending grant execution

- G. Resolution 07242025-1 Signature Authority for Terri Peters to sign the list of RCPP cover crop contracts once the grant is executed. **Board Action**
- H. Approve Reiter Living Trust/William Reiter Amendment# 1 to change Total
   Amount Authorized to \$43,950.59 for Contract# 2024WinLac-WAB-008
   NRCS (FOTG) 410 Grade Stabilization & 412 Grassed Waterway Board Action
- Approve Partial Payment Voucher for Reiter Living Trust/William Reiter for Contract# 2024WinLac-WAB-008 in the amount of \$1,857.59 – Board Action (Funding source – FY23-FY24 WinLac)
- J. 2025 Soil Health RCPP
  - i. Final policy and cost share rates decision
  - ii. Authority for Terri to sign grant agreement and cost share contracts that are batched and ranked decision **Board Action**
  - iii. Current batched and ranked 2025 RCPP contracts pending grant executionBoard Action
- K. Approve Alan Jostock Voucher in the amount of \$339.50 for Contract# 2024WAGZ-WC-02 for 327 Reduced Tillage, No-Till 1<sup>st</sup> year payment of 2-year contract Contingent upon Technical Assistance sign-off. Board Action (Funding source FY24 Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro)
- L. Approve Alan Jostock Voucher in the amount of \$204.00 for Contract# 2024WAGZ-WC-03 for 329 Residue Management, No Till 1<sup>st</sup> year payment of 2-year contract. Contingent upon Technical Assistance sign-off. **Board Action** (Funding source FY24 Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro

#### M. Upcoming Events

- i. August 5, 2025, Southeast MN Forage Field Day & Dairy Tour at Hyde Park Holsteins Kevin Siewert. 61944 Wabasha Cty Rd 6, Zumbro Falls.
   9:45 am 2:00 pm. RSVP at <a href="mailto:mfa@midwestforage.org">mfa@midwestforage.org</a> Flyer on website.
- ii. Terri will be on vacation from August 23 August 27<sup>th</sup>.
- iii. August 28, 2025, Regular Board Meeting
- iv. September 10 & 11, 2025, MASWCD Stewardship Summit: SWCD Governance & Leadership Essentials. Registration Deadline – August 22
- v. County Fair dates July 30 August 2 (We'll have Tap-In staff doing nitrate testing August 1<sup>st</sup> from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- vi. July 31<sup>st</sup> We are part of a BWSR Board Conservationist Tour at the Hager RIM site.

#### XII. Board Reports

- A. Whitewater JPB Lynn
- B. Zumbro 1W1P Dag
   Greater Zumbro Watershed Policy Committee (1W1P) August 21<sup>st</sup>.
   (Oronoco start and bus tour)
- C. WinLaC 1W1P Lynn
  WinLaC Policy Committee Meeting August 11
- D. SE SWCD Technical Support JPB Dag
   Just had a meeting on July 17<sup>th</sup>, and they meet 2x/year
- E. County Board Meeting Sharleen

#### XIII. Adjourn

### **Contract Amendment Form**

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#### PERCENT BASED - VOUCHER AND PRACTICE CERTIFICATION FORM PAYEE AND COST INFORMATION Name: Kenneth Heise Contract No.: 25-CC-8 Address: 36268 Co Rd 78 City, State, Zip: Lake City, MN Total Amount Authorized: \$1,909.06 50% % Approved: 50% (state) (state & non-state) (from contract) Item Unit Unit Price Quantity Cost Eastern White Pine - 6 gallon pot 22 22 \$1,583.78 \$71.99 Techny Arborvitae - 5 gallon pot 37 \$44.99 \$1,664.63 37 Tree/Shrub Site Prep (490) 0.93 \$242.85 \$225.85 Acre \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 PROJECT COST: \$3,474.26 PAYMENT AND CERTIFICATION INFORMATION A. Type of request (partial or final): Final B. Total cost of practice to date: \$3,474.26 \$1,909.06 (state) C. Eligible amount (total cost x % approved): \$1,909.06 (state & non-state) D. Total other state payment amount: \$0.00 E. Total non-state payment amount: F. Total previous partial payments: \$0.00 G. Pre-Construction Cover payment amount: \$0.00 Rate/Ac. Pre-Con.Cover Ac. H. Maximum payment amount \$1,909.06 Amount Approved for This Voucher: \$1,909.06 (cannot exceed Total Amount Authorized) I certify that this is an accurate and true summation of the actual costs and quantities of material, labor, and equipment used on the above project. In cases where the receipts included items not used on the project, I have corrected them accordingly. 10-24-2 Payee Signature I certify that an inspection has been performed and as-built received I certify that I have reviewed this voucher and all supporting information, including and that the items identified under the Cost Information section of invoices and paid receipts, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the this form have been completed and are in accordance with the quantities and billed cost or disbursements are accurate and are in accordance requested practice standards and specifications. with terms of the contract identified. Technical Auditance Provider HRCS-CPA 3245 (Practice Aggreeal and Payment Workshoot) can be utilised as the partification of practice completion. An etisched completed and stered MRCS-CFA-1245 and no-built can be used as the technical

certification on the "Voucher and Certification"

Jared Holm

JARED HOLM (Affiliate)

Digitally signed by JARED HOLM (Affiliate)

Date: 2025.06.26 09:23:17 -05'00'

Technical Assistance Provider

6/26/2025

Administrative Sign-off

Date

Date



5500 Blaine Ave | Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076 651.450.1501 | gertens.com

CUST NO: \*55969 JOB NO: 000

PURCHASE ORDER: NRPO PLANTING

REFERENCE:

TERMS: CASH/CHECK/BANKCARD

CLERK: 2419 DATE / TIME:

6/3/25

4:50

SOLD TO:

NICOLE HINSCH **36268 COUNTY ROAD 78** 

LAKE CITY

651-764-0020

MN 55041

SHIP TO:

NICOLE HINSCH **36268 COUNTY ROAD 78** 

LAKE CITY

MN 55041

DEL. DATE: 6/15/25

SALESPERSON: XX ZZRETAIL

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**TAX AMOUNT** 

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TOTAL

3488.00

Received By

#### PERCENT BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

#### General Information

Organization:	Contract Number:	Other state or non-State funds?	Amendment []	Canceled []
Wabasha SWCD	25-CC-8	□ YES ☑ No	Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Datisful:

#### Applicant

Land Occupier Name	Address	-City/State	Zip Code
Kenneth Heise	36268 Co Rd 78	Lake City, MN	55041

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#### Conservation Practice Location

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Mt Pleasant Twp	111	13	29	NE, SW

#### Contract Information

I (we), the undersigned, do hereby request cost share assistance to help defray the cost of installing the following practice(s) listed on the second page of this contract. It is understood that:

- The land occupier is responsible for full establishment, operation, and maintenance of all practices and upland treatment criteria applied under this program to ensure that the conservation objective of the practice is met and the effective life, a minimum of 1 years, is achieved. The specific operation and maintenance requirements for the conservation practice listed are described in the operation and maintenance plan prepared for this contract by the technical assistance provider.
- Should the land occupier fail to maintain the practice during its effective life, the land occupier is liable to the State of Minnesota for the amount up to 150% of the amount of financial assistance received to install and establish the practice unless the failure was caused by reasons beyond the land accupier's control, or if conservation practices are applied at the land accupier's expense that provide equivalent protection of the sail and water resources.
- If title to this land is transferred to another party before expiration of the aforementioned life, it shall be the responsibility of the landowner who signed this contract to advise the new owner that this contract is in force and to notify other parties to the contract of the
- 4. Practice(s) must be planned and installed in accordance with technical standards and specifications of the:

Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation (380), Tree/Shrub Site Preparation (490)

- 5. Increases in the practice units or cost must be approved by the organization board through amendment of this contract as a condition to increase the cost-share payments.
- 6. This contract, when approved by the organization board or council, will remain in effect unless canceled or amended by mutual agreement, except where installations of practices covered by this contract have not been installed by 6/30/25, this contract will be automatically terminated on that date.
- 7. Items of cost for which reimbursement is claimed are to be supported by invoices/receipts for payments and will be verified by the organization board as practical and reasonable. The invoices must include the name of the vendor; materials, labor or equipment used; the component unit costs and the dates the work was performed. The organization board has the authority to make adjustments to the costs submitted for reimbursement. Pre-Construction Cover is exempt from having the required invoices/receipts.

#### **Applicant Signatures**

The land occupier's signature indicates agreement to:

- 1. Grant the organization's representative(s) access to the parcel where the conservation practice will be located.
- Obtain all permits required in conjunction with the installation and establishment of the practice prior to starting construction of the practice.
- 3. Be responsible for the operation and maintenance of conservation practices applied under this program in accordance with an operation and maintenance plan prepared by the technical assistance provider.
- 4. Not accept cost-share funds, from state sources in excess of 50.%, or state and non-state sources that when combined are in excess of 50.% of the total cost to establish the conservation practice. Pre-construction Cover is exempt from the percent reimbursement rate limitations when utilizing the flat rate payment option.
- 5. To provide copies of all forms and contracts pertinent to any other state or non-state programs that are contributing funds toward this project.

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#### Amount Authorized for Financial Assistance

The organization board or council has authorized the following for financial assistance, total not to exceed 50.0% of the total cost to establish the conservation practice plus the pre-construction cover total amount if utilizing the flat rate payment option.

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\$150.99	Conservation Contracts	2024
\$1,592.62	Conservation Contracts	2025

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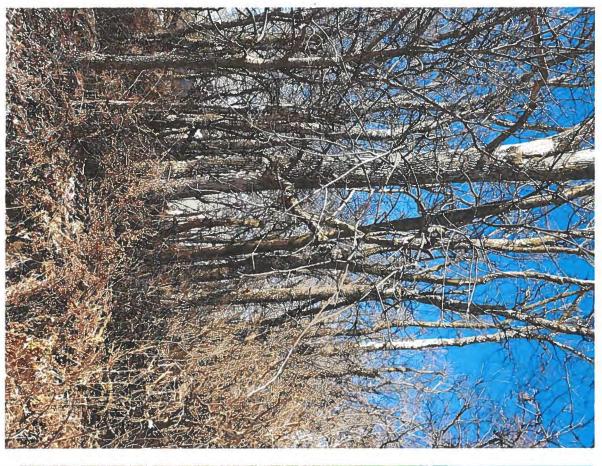
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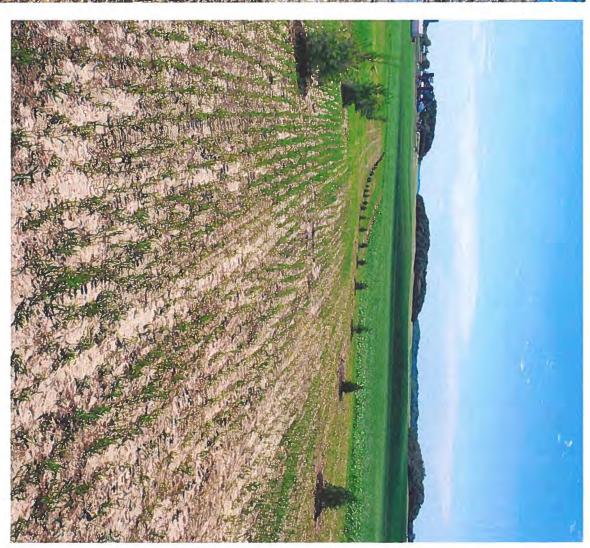
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# **Practice Specifications Approval and Completion Certification**

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## PERCENT BASED - VOUCHER AND PRACTICE CERTIFICATION FORM

#### PAYEE AND COST INFORMATION

Name:	Steven Evers			Contract No.:	23-CWF-WIC-	07
Address:	24943 624TH ST					
City, State, Zip: Total Amount	Theilman, MN					
Authorized: (from contract)	\$17,155.23	% Approved:	90%	(state)	90%	(state & non-state)
(	Item		Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Cost
Griffin Constructio	n Co. Inc - Embankm	ent Construction	1	Total	\$42,097.00	\$42,097.00
Plainview Milk See	d House - BLM#4 See	ed	75	Lb	\$2.9484	\$221.13
Zabel Seeds - Oats	50lb Bags		4	Bags	\$15.50	\$62.00
Ag Partners - Ferili	zer		1	Total	\$268.33	\$268.33
Steve Evers - Corn	Stalk Bales		80	Each	\$3.00	\$240.00
Steve Evers - Straw	v Bales		10	Each	\$5.00	\$50.00
Steve Evers - Ford	6610 72 HP Tractor I	Jse (Seed / Mulcl	10	Hours	\$25.20	\$252.00
Steve Evers - Gene	ral Labor (Seed / Mu	ilch)	10	Hours	\$22.00	\$220.00
,					PROJECT COST:	\$43,410.46
PAYMENT AND CE	RTIFICATION INFOR	MATION				
A. Type of reque	st (partial or final):			Final		
B. Total cost of p	practice to date:			\$43,410.46		
C. Eligible amou	nt (total cost x % app	proved):	\$17,155.23	s (state)	\$39,069.41	(state & non-state)
D. Total other st	ate payment amoun	t:		\$0.00		
E. Total non-sta	te payment amount:			\$24,237.04		
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#### PERCENT BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

#### **General Information**

Organization:	Contract Number	Other state or non-State funds?	Amendment	Canceled
Wabasha SWCD	23-CWF-WIC-07	✓ YES	Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):
*If contract amended, attach amendment form(s) to	this contract			
Applicant				
Land Occupier Name	Address		City/State	Zip Code
Steven Evers	24943 624	24943 624TH ST		55945
* If a group contract, this must be filed and s gned by the gr	oup spokesperson as designated in the gr	oup agreement and the group agreement	attached to this form	

#### Conservation Practice Location

Township Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Glasgow	110	11	32	SW 1/4,SW/1/4

#### **Contract Information**

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- The land occupier is responsible for full establishment, operation, and maintenance of all practices and upland treatment criteria applied under this program to ensure that the conservation objective of the practice is met and the effective life, a minimum of 15 years, is achieved. The specific operation and maintenance requirements for the conservation practice listed are described in the operation and maintenance plan prepared for this contract by the technical assistance provider.
- Should the land occupier fail to maintain the practice during its effective life, the land occupier is liable to the State of Minnesota for the amount up to 150% of the amount of financial assistance received to install and establish the practice unless the failure was caused by reasons beyond the land occupier's control, or if conservation practices are applied at the land occupier's expense that provide equivalent protection of the soil and water resources.
- If title to this land is transferred to another party before expiration of the aforementioned life, it shall be the responsibility of the landowner who signed this contract to advise the new owner that this contract is in force and to notify other parties to the contract of the transfer.
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NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG)	

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- This contract, when approved by the organization board or council, will remain in effect unless canceled or amended by mutual agreement, except where installations of practices covered by this contract have not been installed by 11/30/2025, this contract will be automatically terminated on that date.
- 7. Items of cost for which reimbursement is claimed are to be supported by invoices/receipts for payments and will be verified by the organization board as practical and reasonable. The invoices must include the name of the vendor; materials, labor or equipment used; the component unit costs and the dates the work was performed. The organization board has the authority to make adjustments to the costs submitted for reimbursement. Pre-Construction Cover is exempt from having the required invoices/receipts.

#### **Applicant Signatures**

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- Obtain all permits required in conjunction with the installation and establishment of the practice prior to starting construction of the practice.
- Be responsible for the operation and maintenance of conservation practices applied under this program in accordance with an operation and maintenance plan prepared by the technical assistance provider.
- 4. Not accept cost-share funds, from state sources in excess of 90.%, or state and non-state sources that when combined are in excess of 90.% of the total cost to establish the conservation practice. Pre-construction Cover is exempt from the percent reimbursement rate limitations when utilizing the flat rate payment option.
- To provide copies of all forms and contracts pertinent to any other state or non-state programs that are contributing funds toward this project.

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#### **Pre-Construction Cover**

Is allowed when temporary cover is necessary for the future installation of structural conservation practices. A flat rate payment of up to \$150 per acre, not to exceed 10 acres, is allowed as part of a state cost-share contract for the installation of structural practice(s).

Amount / Acre (NTE \$150/acre)	Number of Acres (NTE 10 Acres)	Total Amount

#### **Amount Authorized for Financial Assistance**

The organization board or council has authorized the following for financial assistance, total not to exceed 90.0% of the total cost to establish the conservation practice plus the pre-construction cover total amount if utilizing the flat rate payment option.

Amount	Program Name	Fiscal Year
\$17,155.23	2023 West Indian Creek Watershed Restoration and Protection	2023

Date Authorized Signature	1 ()	Total Amount Authorized
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## FLAT RATE - VOUCHER AND PRACTICE CERTIFICATION FORM

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Address:	56727 395th Ave				
City, State, Zip:	Zumbro Falls, MN 55991				
Contract No.:	2024WAGZ-WC-14	Total Amount	Authorized:	\$500	.00
	Practice	Quantity	Unit	Unit Rate	Total
Forest Stewardship		1.000	1	\$500.00	\$500.00
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			PAYMENT	REQUEST:	\$500.00
I certify that this is an ac	ccurate and true summation of the above project,	which was complet	ted on:	3/15/2025	,
Payee Signature			-	Date	
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# Minnesota Forest Stewardship Program

# WOODLAND STEWARDSHIP PLAN

#### Prepared for:

Richard Oeckler and Crystal Bonnichsen 56727 395<sup>th</sup> Avenue Zumbro Falls, MN 55991 (507) 250-7229

#### Located:

Parts of the NW1/4 of Section 35 All in Township 109N, Range 014W

Parcel ID: 170030200 170030242

Total Property Acres: 104
Total Stewardship Acres: 72
Estimated 2C-Eligible Acres: 72
Estimated Sustainable Forest Incentive Act (SFIA) Acres: 72

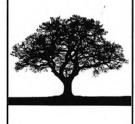
### Prepared by:

Liam Krause 501 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street Winona, MN (507) 312-4508 ID #3106 4/10/2025

Forest stewardship goals for this property are:

\*Improve and maintain the ecological health of the property

\*Manage for outdoor recreation



#### FLAT RATE BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

#### **General Information**

Organization:	Contract Number:	Other state or non-state funds?	Amendment	Canceled
Wabasha SWCD	2024WAGZ-WC-14	☐ YES ☐ NO	Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):

#### **Applicant**

Land Occupier Name	Address	City/State	Zip code
Richard Oeckler	56727 395th Ave	Zumbro Falls, MN	55991

<sup>\*</sup> If a group contract, this must be filed and signed by the group spokesperson as designated in the group agreement and the group agreement attached to this form

#### **Conservation Practice Location**

Township Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Zumbro	109	14	35	NW, NW

#### **Contract Information**

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4. Practice(s) must be planned and installed in accordance with technical standards and specifications of the:

Plan mst be prepared by a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Certified Plan Writer and registered with the DNR.

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- 4. Not accept any other state or federal funds for this practice.

<sup>\*</sup>If contract amended, attach amendment form(s) to this contract.

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## FLAT RATE - VOUCHER AND PRACTICE CERTIFICATION FORM

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City, State, Zip: Contract No.:								
	Plainview, MN 55964							
	25-CC-9	Total Amount Authorized:		\$1,320.00				
		(from contract)						
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#### FLAT RATE BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

#### **General Information**

Contract Number:	non-state funds?	Amendment	Canceled
25-CC-9	☐ YES ☑ NO	Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):
	25-CC-9	□ YES	☐ YES Board Meeting Date(s):

#### **Applicant**

Address	City/State	Zip code
18073 75th St	Plainview, MN	55964

<sup>\*</sup> If a group contract, this must be filed and signed by the group spokesperson as designated in the group agreement and the group agreement attached to this form.

#### **Conservation Practice Location**

Township Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Plainview Twp	108	11	35	sw, sw

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Conservation Cover (327)

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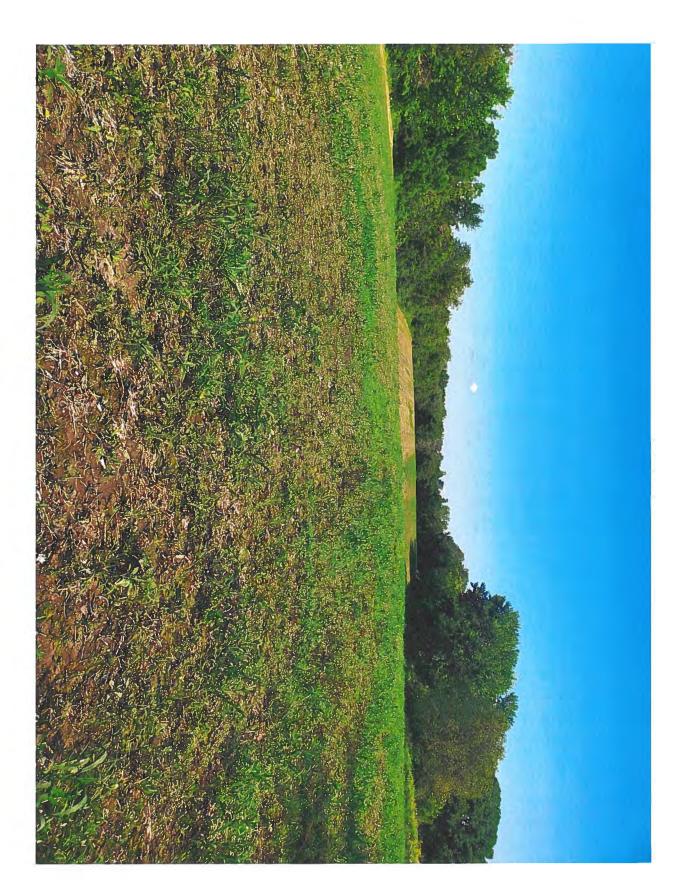
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# **Practice Specifications Approval and Completion Certification**

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327 ESJAA Fact Sheet			•	Job Class: II	₹
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4.4	6/1	10/2025	7/14	1/2025	ASG
Additional documenta	ation to supp	ort practice cert	ification is in	the Case File.	
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# Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting June 26, 2025 8:15 am

# County Conference Room 625 Jefferson Ave.

#### I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Lynn Zabel, Chair called the meeting to order at 8:15 am

Supervisors Present: Lynn Zabel, Chair, Chet Ross, Co-Chair, Sharleen Klennert,

Treasurer, Seth Tentis, Secretary, Dag Knudsen, Member

Staff Present: Terri Peters, District Manager, Matt Kempinger, District Technician Others Present: Christina Taylor, NRCS, Sheila Harmes, Winona County Water Planner, Whitewater Watershed Coordinator, Pete Fryer, SE SWCD Technical Support JPB and Frank Klennert, Citizen

#### II. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

#### III. AGENDA

Add Letter G under New Business. Approve Hiring Ella Jurgerson for Conservation Outreach & Planning Technician.

Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Ross to approve The Agenda with the addition of Letter G under New Business.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

#### IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments limited to 5 minutes per speaker

#### V. CONSENT AGENDA -Board Action

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board and may be enacted through one motion. Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed by any of the Board members for separate consideration

#### i. Contracts

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#### ii. Contract Amendments

A. Hunter Farms LLC Amendment# 1 for Contract# 2024WAGZ-WC-13 to change the installation date to 10/31/2025.

(Woodland Stewardship Plan)

(Funding source – FY24 Watershed Based Funding (WAGZ)

B. Greg Speedling Amendment# 1 for Contract# 25-CC-2 to change the installation date to 8/31/2025.

(Funding source – FY25 Conservation Contracts)

C. Benjamin Klein Amendment# 1 for Contract# 25-CC-3 to change the Installation date to 6/30/2025.

(Funding source – FY25 Conservation Contracts)

Motioned by Ross and seconded by Klennert to approve the Consent Agenda Contract Amendments.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

#### iii. Vouchers

A. Warren Craig Beighley Voucher in the amount of \$105.50 for Contract# 25-SHD-1 for NRCS (FOTG) Practice 612 Tree and Shrub Establishment.

(Funding source - FY25 Soil Health Delivery)

B. Warren Craig Beighley Voucher in the amount of \$105.50 for Contract# 24-CC-13 for NRCS (FOTG) Practice 380 Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation.

(Funding source – FY24 Conservation Contracts)

C. Mike Rahman Voucher payment in the amount of \$1,670.00 for Contract# 23-CS-3. NRCS (FOTG) Practice 340 Cover Crops. 33.4 acres at \$50.00/acre.

(Funding source -FY23 State Cost Share)

- D. Allen John & Melody Revocable Living Trust in the amount of \$1,260.00 for Contract# 23-CS-1. NRCS (FOTG) Practice 314 Brush Management. (Funding source FY24 Conservation Contracts)
- E. Benjamin Klein Voucher payment in the amount of \$712.36 for Contract# 25-CC-3. NRCS (FOTG) Practice 380 Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation.

(Funding source – FY25 Conservation Contracts)

F. Valyn Adler Voucher payment in the amount of \$53,599.50 for Contract# 2025WAGZ-WC-02. NRCS (FOTG) Practice 410 Grade Stabilization Structure.

(Funding source FY24-FY25 Greater Zumbro Watershed-WAGZ)

Motioned by Ross and seconded by Klennert to approve the Consent Agenda Vouchers.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

#### iv. Grant Amendment

A. Amendment # 3 for Grant Contract Agreement # 229585 between the State of MN through its Commissioner of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wabasha SWCD. Adding \$10,000.00 to SE Landscape funding. Grant Agreement Expiration Date 6-30-2026 Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Knudsen to approve the Grant Amendment#3 for the Grant Contract Agreement #229585 between the State of MN through its Commissioner of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wabasha SWCD. Adding \$10,000.00 to SE Landscape funding. Grant Agreement Expiration Date 6-30-2026.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

**Opposed: None Motion Carried** 

#### v. AgBMP Loan Applications

#### VI. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. May 22, 2025, Meeting Minutes – **Board Action** 

Motioned by Knudsen and seconded by Ross to approve the Secretary's Report with the spelling correction for Dag Knudsen under Supervisors present.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

**Opposed: None Motion Carried** 

#### VII. TREASURER'S REPORT – Board Action

A. May District Financial Statements Included for your review

B. May Program Record

Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Ross to approve the Treasure's Report to the best of our ability.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

#### VIII. PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS

A. Monthly Bills in the amount of \$107,643.37 - Board Action

Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Knudsen to approve Payment of the Monthly Bills in the amount of \$107,643.37.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

#### IX. DISTRICT REPORTS

A. Chair Report - Lynn Zabel

Area 7 meeting. Lynn, Terri, Sharleen, and Frank attended.

Talked about how to work around managing funds, get done what we can.

Terri added that there aren't any resolutions in our area this year.

SWCD Aid was 15 million from state for the year. Cut back to \$12 million.

B. County Commissioner – Bob Walkes2026 Budget. The State session is over. Getting clarity on Federal funds.

C. District Manager Report – Terri Peters

Projects, construction going on.

Hiring process. Interviews along with Lynn, Chet and Shawn.

Watershed Group planning report

**BALMM Group meeting** 

Resolution meeting

Legislative session – funding.

D. NRCS Report – Christina Taylor – (In the packet)

Christina was at the meeting and gave her report.

2026 EQIP Deadline is 8/1/2025.

E. District Technician Report- Matt Kempinger – (In the packet)

Matt was at the meeting and went over the Valyn Adler project.

Construction was all done this spring.

- F. Natural Resources Technician Report Katelyn Abts (In the packet)
- G. Soil Health/Nutrient Management Tech Report Deanna Pomije (In the packet)
- H. Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant Report -Sue Cerwinske -
- I. BWSR Report -
- J. Other agencies Sheila Harmes, Winona County Water Planner, Whitewater Watershed Coordinator

Whitewater meeting June 27<sup>th</sup>. Changing meetings to Quarterly. Selected an Auditor. Well Sealing Grants – funding cost share 2 wells.
Landowner timeline could wait. Between meetings, sub-agreement fund.
After the Olmsted meeting, another well-sealing contract was funded with Whitewater funds.

#### X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Conservation Project – Lynn (open to any Supervisor for ideas)

#### XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve DKKA LLC Contract# 2025WAGZ-WC-03 in the amount of \$8,775.00 for NRCS (FOTG)- Practice 638 Water and Sediment Control Basin – Board Action (Funding source – FY24-FY25 Greater Zumbro Watershed Based Funding - WAGZ)

Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Tentis to approve DKKA LLC)

Contract# 2025WAGZ-WC-03 in the amount of \$8,775.00 for NRCS (FOTG) – Practice 638 Water and Sediment Control Basin.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

Note: B. Daniel Miller Contract# 2025-WinLaC-Wab002 two versions up for discussion on which version to approve. 92% or 100% cost share. – **Board Action** 

B. Approve Daniel Miller Contract# 2025WinLaC-Wab002 in the amount of \$7,853.86 for NRCS (FOTG)- (Diversion)92% cost share.

(Funding sources – WinLaC 1W1P \$6,440.25 and Local funds \$1,413.61)

or

Approve Daniel Miller Contract# 2025-WinLaC-Wab002 in the amount of \$8,587.00 for NRCS (FOTG)–(Diversion) 100% cost share.

(Funding sources – WinLaC 1W1P \$4,293.50 and Local funds \$4,293.50)

Matt and Peter Fryer discussed payment options with the board for Dan Miller's contract:

After the Gorman Creek project was done, Bill noticed that in the spring that the pasture by the tributary was wet. The diversion should have been part of the original Gorman Creek restoration project. Also, added stream crossing to the contract. Pete designed a diversion to get water out of pasture. Something we didn't see at the beginning.

Pete and Matt's recommendations were Option 1, 92% cost share. (100% diversion and 75% stream crossing). Contract total of \$7,853.86.

Motioned by Knudsen and seconded by Tentis to approve Daniel Miller Contact# 2025WinlLaC-Wab002 in the amount of \$7,853.86 for NRCS (FOTG) – Diversion. 92% cost share

(Funding sources - WinLaC 1W1P \$6,440.25 and Local funds \$1,413.61)

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

C. Approve Dennis P & Denise M Probst Contract# 25-CC-6 in the amount of \$1,500.00 for NRCS (FOTG) Practice 314 Brush Management – Board Action (Funding source – FY25 Conservation Contracts)

Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Ross to approve Dennis P & Denise M Probst Contract# 25-CC-6 in the amount of \$1,500.00 for NRCS (FOTG) Practice 314 Brush Management.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

D. Approve Kathy Henderson Contract# 23-CWF-WIC-06 in the amount of \$59,227.20 for NCRS (FOTG) Practice 410 Grade Stabilization Structure,

Install by 11/30/2025 – Board Action

(Funding source – FY23 West Indian Creek Watershed Restoration and Protection)

Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Ross to approve Kathy Henderson Contract#
23-CWF-WIC-06 in the amount of \$59,227.20 for NRCS (FOTG) Practice 410 Grade
Stabilization Structure. Install by date 11/30/2025.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

Opposed: None Motion Carried

E. Whitewater Joint Powers Board Well Sealing (2025) Sub-agreement between Whitewater Joint Power Board and Wabasha SWCD. Grant agreement for \$21,600.00 for May 27, 2025, to December 31, 2025 – Board Action Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Ross to approve the Whitewater Joint Powers Board Well Sealing (2025) Sub-agreement between Whitewater Joint Power Board and Wabasha SWCD. Grant agreement for \$21,600.00 for May 27, 2025, to December 31, 2025.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

**Opposed: None Motion Carried** 

- F. Upcoming Events
  - i. Friday, July 4, 2025, Independence Day Offices Closed
  - ii. Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, West Indian Creek Get Together

Terri added that Mark Kruger is doing outreach in the West Indian watershed. We can use 319 funds.

Almost 2,000 acres, people are interested in doing drone cover crop seeding. Dean Thomas will be doing seeding rates. Broadcast rate.

The seed dealer is Midwest Cover Crop Council. We would pay the seed dealer and the drone operator.

Meet in BJ's parking lot. WIC Gathering, July 16 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. 5:00 pm DNR doing fish shocking. 5:30 pm Drone seeding demo.

- iii. Thursday, July 24th, Regular Meeting
- iv. Wednesday July 30 Saturday, August 2, Wabasha County Fair Schedule with a staff person for a shift to cover our booth.
   Let us know what days/times you can help.
   Morning and afternoon of July 31 and August 1, staff will be doing

Morning and afternoon of July 31 and August 1, staff will be doing demos. 8/1 Olmsted doing nitrate testing. Borrowing the root pull display. Dag available Thursday or Friday evening.

G. Approve the hiring of Ella Jurgerson as a Conservation Outreach & Planning Technician.

Terri commented that there were 2 people interviewed out of the 4-5 applications that Shawn had received. Both were good candidates. Ella Jurgerson fit the position better. She will finish up Ameri Corps 7/9 and she will start with us on 7/14/2025. A message had been sent to all board members that Ella was chosen and if there were no objections, we would move forward with the offer. I would like to make the offer today to hire Ella.

Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Knudsen to approve hiring Ella Jurgerson as the Conservation Outreach & Planning Technician.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

**Opposed: None Motion Carried** 

#### XII. Board Reports

- A. Whitewater JPB Lynn
- B. Zumbro 1W1P Dag
- C. WinLaC 1W1P Lynn

Sheila said the Policy meeting is in August.

8-11-2025 Work group meeting at the St. Charles Community Room/City Hall. Will have a field day to look at stream restoration. Will be coordinating park and ride. Walking up and down the stream.

- D. SE SWCD Technical Support JPB Dag
- E. County Board Meeting Sharleen

Note: If meeting is not finished by 10:00 am, we will need to recess the regular meeting and start the Local Work Group meeting at 10:00 am.

Motioned by Zabel to recess the regular meeting to go into the Local Work Group meeting.

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel

**Opposed: None Motion Carried** 

Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel
Opposed: None
Motion Carried

XIII. Adjourn
Motioned by Klennert and seconded by Ross to Adjourn the meeting at 12:00 pm.
Affirmative: Ross, Klennert, Tentis, Knudsen, Zabel
Opposed: None
Motion Carried

Respectively Submitted By:

**Seth Tentis, Secretary** 

Motioned by Zabel to come out of recess and resume the regular meeting.

## **Agenda for Local Work Group**

- 1. Welcome & Review: 10 minutes
- 2. Present SWCD Draft Priorities: 30 minutes
- 3. Discuss Proposed Practices Changes and Technical Practice Recommendations: 15 minutes
- 4. Decision/Action Items: 15 minutes
- 5. Next Steps: 5 minutes
- 6. Adjourn LWG Meeting -

Then reopen the regular meeting, if necessary

# Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2025

	Jun 30, 25
ASSETS	
Current Assets Checking/Savings	
Money Market- Bank of Alma	62,192.60
Money Market WNB Financial	7,476.80
Peoples State Bank Money Market	335,308.46
Petty Cash WNB Financial	110.03 36,957.44
Total Checking/Savings	442,045.33
Accounts Receivable 11000 · Accounts Receivable	609.00
Total Accounts Receivable	609.00
Total Current Assets	442,654.33
Fixed Assets	
15000 · Furniture and Equipment	
Computer	7,523.00
Laptops for Distrcit Techs (2) Right of Use Asset - Building	3,149.22 94,217.00
Samsung Tablets	1,548.69
15000 · Furniture and Equipment - Other	147,513.54
Total 15000 · Furniture and Equipment	253,951.45
17000 · Accumulated Depreciation	
Accum. Amortization-Building 17000 · Accumulated Depreciation - Other	-34,547.00 -117,761.78
Total 17000 · Accumulated Depreciation	-152,308.78
Total Fixed Assets	101,642.67
Other Assets	
Prepaid Items	
Prepaid Rent	920.43
Prepaid Items - Other	831.25
Total Prepaid Items	1,751.68
Total Other Assets	1,751.68
TOTAL ASSETS	546,048.68
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20000 · Accounts Payable	18,578.40
Total Accounts Payable	18,578.40
Other Current Liabilities	
Compensated Absences Payable Deferred Revenue	21,653.68
FY23 Capacity	4,746.00
FY23 CWF - WIC	51,599.94
FY24 BWSR Soil Health Staffing	142,368.20
FY24 Conservation Contracts	2,406.89
FY24 Dept of Rev SWCD Allocatio FY25 Buffer Law Implementation	-1,333.81 18,929.88
FY25 BWSR Soil Health Delivery	29,679.11
FY25 Conservation Contracts	12,862.69
FY25 Easement Delivery (RIM)	379.58
FY25 LWM	2,864.71
FY25 WCA	2,839.72

10:13 AM 07/23/25 Accrual Basis

# Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2025

	Jun 30, 25
Total Deferred Revenue	267,342.91
24000 · Payroll Liabilities	448.62
25500 · Sales Tax Payable	97.61
Total Other Current Liabilities	289,542.82
Total Current Liabilities	308,121.22
Long Term Liabilities Long Term Liability Right of Use Asset-Lease Liabil	62,828.00
Total Long Term Liability	62,828.00
Total Long Term Liabilities	62,828.00
Total Liabilities	370,949.22
Equity Fund Balance- Unrestricted Investment in Capital Assets 32000 · Owners Equity Net Income	201,395.71 38,814.67 89,270.83 -154,381.75
Total Equity	175,099.46
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	546,048.68

# Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District **Profit & Loss**

June 2025

	Jun 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income Charges for Services	
Tree Sales	20.00
Truax No-Till Drill Rental	487.60
Wetlands	200.00
Total Charges for Services	707.60
Intergovernmental Revenues	
County County Regular Allocation	64,361.15
Total County	64,361.15
State	
FY23 CWF - WIC	882.37
FY23 State Cost Share	2,930.00
FY23 WinLaC	
Urban · Urban Stormwater	
Make Your Own Rain Barrel	680.88
Total Urban · Urban Stormwater	680.88
Total FY23 WinLaC	680.88
FY24-FY25 DNR Forestry	16,287.50
FY24-FY25 DWP Karst (TKR)	180.00
FY24 Conservation Contracts	-2,634.37
FY24 Buffer Law Implementation	1,440.84
FY24 BWSR Soil Health Staffing	16,367.29
FY24 Dept of Rev SWCD Allocatio	34,445.57
FY25 Buffer Law Implementation	1,070.12
FY25 BWSR Soil Health Delivery	320.89
FY25 Conservation Contracts	3,485.98
FY25 Easement Delivery (RIM) FY25 LWM	799.57 6,895.83
FY25 WCA	2,529.94
MAWQCP	12,285.48
Total State	97,967.89
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	162,329.04
Total Income	163,036.64
Gross Profit	163,036.64
Expense	
District Operations	
Other Services and Charges	
Advertising Expense	100.00
Building Rent	1,650.00
Education and Information	2,304.40
Employee Expenses	10.47
Employee Mileage	137.73 105.04
Internet Expense Vehicle Expenses	105.04
Chevrolet Silverado Vehicle Exp	154.36
Hyundia Tucson Vehicle Expense	55.57
Total Vehicle Expenses	209.93
Total Other Services and Charges	4,517.57
Personnel Services	
Employee Salary Permanent	26,400.01
Employer Health Insur (Opt Out)	960.19
Employer HSA contributions	625.00
Employer Life and Health	

# Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District Profit & Loss

June 2025

	Jun 25
66000 · Payroll Expenses Employer Life and Health - Other	50.00 7,800.40
Total Employer Life and Health	7,850.40
Employer Share FICA Employer Share Medicare Employer Share PERA	1,641.07 383.80 1,980.00
Total Personnel Services	39,840.47
Supplies Office Supplies	135.87
Total Supplies	135.87
Total District Operations	44,493.91
Project Expenditures Federal 319 Focus Small Wtrshd-W.Indian	5,078.40
Total Federal	5,078.40
State FY23 SE Landscape - MN DNR FY24-FY25 DNR Forestry FY24-FY25 WAGZ FY24 Conservation Contracts FY25 BWSR Soil Health Delivery FY25 Conservation Contracts FY25 PRAP MAWQCP Administration State Cost Share Proj. Expense FY23 State Cost Share Proj. Expense Total State	580.01 11,550.00 53,599.50 105.50 105.50 712.36 7,500.00 12,285.48 2,930.00 2,930.00 89,368.35
Total Project Expenditures	94,446.75
Total Expense	138,940.66
Net Ordinary Income	24,095.98
Other Income/Expense Other Income Interest Income Interest Earnings MM's	764.88
Total Interest Income	764.88
Total Other Income	764.88
Net Other Income	764.88
Net Income	24,860.86

# Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District Monthly Bills Listing July 24, 2025

						111 24 25
-2,660.00	WNB Financial	Winter WARPS - may artime hours	Winona Cty Planning & Environmental Serv.	12417	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-138.45	WNB Financial	June gas for Hyundai & Silverado	Wabasha County Highway Department	12416	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-93.82	WNB Financial	Employment Background check - Ella Jurgerson	Wabasha County-v	12415	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-1,500.00	WNB Financial	FY24 MDH Well Inventory - Media Plan MN Well Index 6/10-6/30/2025	Townsquare Media St. Cloud	12414	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-227.43	WNB Financial	Mileage - LaCrossed, Winona, Theilman and Olmsted	Terri Peters (Expenses)	12413	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-14,832.37	WNB Financial	23-CWF-WIC-07 - Grade Stabilization Structure	Steve Evers	12412	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-162.40	WNB Financial	April - June Meetings, Paperwork - mileage	Sharleen Klennert-b	12411	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-11,579.94	WNB Financial	2nd Qtr MAWQCP Tech Assistance Exp.	SE SWCD Technical Support JPB	12410	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-500.00	WNB Financial	2024WAGZ-WC-14 Forest Stewardship Plan	Richard Oeckler	12409	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-1,857.59	WNB Financial	Partial Pymt of Contract 2024WinLac-WAB-008	Reiter Living Trust-a	12408	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-500.00	WNB Financial	WinLaC WRAPS - Tile sampling in Whitewater	Olmsted SWCD	12407	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-12,191.67	WNB Financial	June Greg Klinger MAWQCP Expenses	Olmsted County Public Works	12406	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-64.31	WNB Financial	HP61 XL Black Ink	Office Depot	12405	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-1,650.00	WNB Financial	August 2025 Rent	Mittel Schule, Inc.	12404	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-7,500.00	WNB Financial	WinLaC Project#3 5/19 - 6/30/2025 time	Lindberg S. Ekola	12403	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-1,908.06	WNB Financial	25-CC-8 Windbreak, Tree Shrub Site Prep	Kenneth Heise	12402	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-600.00	WNB Financial	1 - Project Plan Technical Assstance	Kanati Land Management LLC	12401	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-11,110.37	WNB Financial	THE ONREGISTY, SECO	Jennifer Wahls-C	12400	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-1,877.11	WNB Financial	July / August Newsletter - 2209 printed/folded/tabbed	Insty-Prints of Winona	12399	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-105.04	WNB Financial	Internet 7-02 to 8-01-2025	HBC	12398	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-1,320.00	WNB Financial	25-CC-9 Conservatijon Cover	Gary Stoning-a	12397	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-350.00	WNB Financial	SE Landscape support of Forestry Field Day 7/30	Fillmore Soil and Water Conservation Dist	12396	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-107.10	WNB Financial	2nd qtr mileage for Meetings	Dag Knudsen-b	12395	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-600.00	WNB Financial	Tech Assistance Project Plan - 1	Chimney Rock Forestry LLC	12394	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-168.00	WNB Financial	April - June Meetings - Mileage	Chet Ross	12393	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-543.50	WNB Financial	SOUTH ACT - MC-OIL YOU WAGZ - WC - GD	Alan Jostock	12392	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-3,768.10	WNB Financial	2025WAGZ-WC-05 410 Grade Stabilization Structure	1864 Joseph Roemer Farm LLC	12391	07/24/2025	Bill Pmt -Check
-74.31	WNB Financial	August Vision Insurance	VSP Vision Care	EFT	07/24/2025	Liability Check
-8,877.65	WNB Financial	July Insurances	Auditor/Treasurer of Wabasha County	12390	07/24/2025	Jul 24, 25 Liability Check
Paid Amount	Account	Memo	Name	Num	Date	Type

### NRCS WABASHA FIELD OFFICE REPORT

### 7/24/2025 Christina Taylor Soil Conservationist

**CSP** (Conservation Stewardship Program)

- 20 Active CSP contracts with an obligated amount of over \$1,068,713 of which \$386,100 has been paid
- Currently in contact with contract holders to ensure they are on schedule for practice certification so payments can be processed in a timely manner after 1 Oct
- Currently taking new applications and beginning the planning process, but there isn't a sign-up deadline yet

### **EQIP** (Environmental Quality Incentive Program)

- 23 Active EQIP contracts to include FY 25 contracts, worth \$1,119,070 with over \$682,035.00 already paid
- 24 Applications are in a pending status for FY 26; some are carry-over from previous sign-ups. It is expected that several will cancel due to program timelines and funding
- Sign up deadline for FY26 is 1 August 2025

### RCPP-EQIP (Regional Conservation Partnership Program- EQIP)

- No applications submitted.
- One active contract

### **CRP**

- CRP Sign up was May 12-June 6, 2025.
- Acceptance/Rejection date was 27 June. There are 24 plans that need to be written

### Other Notes

Most requested technical assistance topic continues to be soil erosion control and prevention on HEL fields. Producers are trying to find better ways to mitigate soil erosion both from wind and from heavy rain events.

Brush management is also a resource concern that people request both technical and financial assistance for.

# Monthly Report – July 2025

Matt Kempinger

### **Projects**

- As-built documentation for 1 grade stabilization structure project
- Prepare contract for 1 grade stabilization structure project
- Prepare vouchers for 3 structural projects
- Prepare amendment for 1 grade stabilization structure contract
- Review designs with landowner for 1 grade stabilization structure
- Reporting for 2 structural projects
- Visit 3 new farms for assistance with resource concerns

### **Others**

- Equipment Rental Program management and drill deliveries
- Assist 1 landowner with MAWQCP application
- West Indian Creek outreach event
- CRP Prairie Strips Program signup assistance
- Coordinate extension of review period for 1 large scale WCA application
- Investigate 1 potential WCA violation
- General project and contract management
- Answered general resource questions from the public and assisted where possible



# Katelyn Abts – July 2025 Board Report

### **Programs**

### **Conservation Contracts**

- 1 Brush Management project in planning stages
- 1 Conservation Cover project finished and certified

WAGZ (Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro)

• 1 Forest Stewardship Plan finished – payment voucher ready

MN Department of Health Wabasha County Well Inventory

- 246 wells inventoried
- Answered phone calls and emails from landowners with questions

RIM (Reinvest in Minnesota)

2 RIM inspections

RIM - Blufflands Program

- Dave Hager RIM working on attaining title insurance
- Working with Dave Copeland to plan a site visit to the Hager RIM with BWSR staff members
- 1 RIM application in the process

### **Buffer Law**

 Conducted aerial photo reviews as part of the 1/3 of parcels that need to be checked for 2025

### Report to the Wabasha SWCD Board – July 24, 2025

Deanna Pomije, Soil Health Nutrient Management Specialist

### **Nutrient Management Work:**

- Work on Adam Graner's 2026 manure management plan (1,200 acres) using MPCAs new online planner. Lately this work has been put on hold with other work pressing.
- Finalized revisions on the Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP) 390 acres for Ted Mehrkens for EQIP, collaborating with Kate Bruss, TSA and reviewer Aaron Janz, NRCS. I plan to also complete a Manure Management Plan for them as required by MPCA & their annual 2026 manure management plan.
  - NRCS staff finished their review of the plan. Need to set aside time for these revisions, mostly mapping updates needed.

### Soil Health Work:

- No-till drill rental season for warm season grass seeding has passed with three producers
  using renting it. A couple have already signed rental contracts for cool season grass
  planting for Aug./ Sept. We are bringing Ella up-to-speed on lending out our rental
  equipment. To date for this year the drill has been used on 82 acres, 8 producers.
- Working through the certification of no-till under two contracts, two farms with Alan
  Jostock. The payment voucher has been sent to NRCS staff for JAA approval. His contracts
  also include cover crops.

### Cover Crops:

• The latter part of this month was spent talking with cover crop interests and processing their applications. Signing them up involves FSA and NRCS eligibility checks. Developing a contract and seeding plan. Requesting job approval sign off on the seeding plans by TSA staff. Discussions with producers on their operation specifics and how cover crops fit into it for improving their soil health. Completing an NRCS environmental review form for each contract. We have 9 preliminary batched RCPP applications in process. This entails 398 acres and a request for \$78,775 with \$71,225 remaining in the current pending contract. There are ~26 additional potential interests for cover crops yet to contact or work through for possible contracts. In Aug. I plan to complete some soil health field assessments and Haney test soil collections.

### Outreach & Client Contacts:

### Breakfast on the Farm at Lehnertz 7/12:

Set up a booth/tent for this event with Matt. Demonstrated the soil stability test and had activity sheets for children. This was a very well attended event (1,100+) with many families visiting the farm.

### West Indian Creek Gathering 7/16:

Had a great WIC Gathering on the 16<sup>th</sup> with about 25 people attending. I helped other staff in preparing for this event. Put together the sign-up sheet with seed mix option for the offered drone cover crop planting for those in the watershed. TJ Kartes, the agronomy salesman helped present on the agronomy aspects of the drone cover crop planting. His input was quite helpful. To-date we have 4 producers signed up for the WIC drone cover crop planting, totaling 209 acres.

• Ideas for soil health demos (soil stability test) at the county fair – planning to present around characteristics of our end goal; good health soil, what it looks like and how to test for it.

### Coffee 'n Conservation:

- Next planned event will be in August yet to be determined.
- June 25 the 'Coffee & Conservation' returned to the Legion in Plainview with a guest speaker, John Rosenow with a dairy operation in WI. He shared his story on how he composts his dairy manure. This was a great informal Q & A session with 5 people attending.
  - o 21 total to-date producers / landowners in attendance
  - Great conversation around a variety of conservation topics: erosion, nutrient management, cover crops, tillage, weed control & manure composting.
  - o Flyer prep., email call text producers for attendance
- Plan to transition these events to every other month to do a better job at outreach, getting
  people to attend and allowing enough time for cover crop and nutrient management work.

### PERCENT BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

### General Information

Organization:	Contract Number:	Other state or non-State funds?	Amendment	Canceled
Wabasha SWCD	2025WAGZ-WC-04	☐ YES ☑ No	Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):
*If contract amended, attach amendme	nt form(s) to this contract.			
Applicant				
Land Occupier Name	Address		City/State	Zip Code
Craig Breuer	29844 Co 9 E	Rhyd	Lake City, MN	55041

### **Conservation Practice Location**

Township Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Gillford Twp	110	13	11	NW, SE

### Contract Information

I (we), the undersigned, do hereby request cost share assistance to help defray the cost of installing the following practice(s) listed on the second page of this contract. It is understood that:

- The land occupier is responsible for full establishment, operation, and maintenance of all practices and upland treatment criteria applied under this program to ensure that the conservation objective of the practice is met and the effective life, a minimum of 20 years, is achieved. The specific operation and maintenance requirements for the conservation practice listed are described in the operation and maintenance plan prepared for this contract by the technical assistance provider.
- Should the land occupier fail to maintain the practice during its effective life, the land occupier is liable to the State of Minnesota for the amount up to 150% of the amount of financial assistance received to install and establish the practice unless the failure was caused by reasons beyond the land occupier's control, or if conservation practices are applied at the land occupier's expense that provide equivalent protection of the soil and water resources.
- If title to this land is transferred to another party before expiration of the aforementioned life, it shall be the responsibility of the landowner who signed this contract to advise the new owner that this contract is in force and to notify other parties to the contract of the transfer.
- Practice(s) must be planned and installed in accordance with technical standards and specifications of the:

State of MN Plumbing Code (MN Rules, Chapter 4714), by a water contractor licensed under chapter 326B or a lumber licensed under cha ter 326B

- Increases in the practice units or cost must be approved by the organization board through amendment of this contract as a condition to increase the cost-share payments.
- This contract, when approved by the organization board or council, will remain in effect unless canceled or amended by mutual agreement, except where installations of practices covered by this contract have not been installed by 5/30/26, this contract will be automatically terminated on that date.
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### DC Well Drilling

21705 Ravenna Trl Welch, MN 55089 US (651) 437-5040 info@dcwelldrilling.com http://dcwelldrilling.com



### Estimate

**ADDRESS** 

Craig Breuer 33664 County Rd 31 Lake City, MN 55041 ESTIMATE

3580

DATE

06/17/2025

EXPIRATION DATE

09/01/2025

DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Over drill well pump/remove then seal.			
Wabasha sealing permit	1	30.00	30.00
Drill rig with operators	1	4,000.00	4,000.00
Bags of neat cement grout	40	35.00	1,400.00
Yards 3/8" pea rock	2	60.00	120.00
Labor to pump neat cement grout	1	1,050.00	1,050.00
Paperwork & submittal fees	1	95.00	95.00
			Subtotal: 6,695.00
Mark Thorton Dig up and remove tank pitless	1	1,500.00	1,500.00

TERMS: ALL ACCOUNTS ARE DUE UPON COMPLETION OR MORTGAGE CLOSE. 1.5% WILL BE CHARGED PER MONTH ON ALL ACCOUNTS NOT PAID IN FULL WITHIN 30 DAYS UNLESS SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE. PERSONS OR COMPANIES FURNISHING LABOR FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS OF REAL PROPERTY MAY ENFORCE A LIEN UPON THE IMPROVED LAND IF THEY ARE NOT PAID FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION, EVEN IF SUCH PARTIES HAVE NO DIRECT CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE OWNER.

TOTAL

\$8,195.00

Accepted By

Accepted Date

### PERCENT BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

### General Information

Organization:	Contract Number:	Other state or non-State funds?	Amendment	Canceled
Wabasha SWCD	2025Winc-Wab-001	☑ YES	Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):
*If contract amended, attach amendment form(s) to	this contract.	-		
Annlicant:				

Land Occupier Name	Address	City/State	Zip Code
Jary Holst	20514 590TH ST	Kellogg, MN	55945

of a group contract, this must be filed and signed by the group spokesperson as designated in the group agreement and the group agreement attached to this form

### **Conservation Practice Location**

Township Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Highland	109	11	13	NE 1/4, NE 1/4

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# **Contract Amendment Form**

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Wabasha SWCD	2025WAGZ-WC-05	Board Meeting Date:	Land Occupier $\square$
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Amendment requests that are received outside the program policies BWSR staff must be consulted a		•	install date, or grant
State Grant Agreement Expiration Date:	12/31/2025	Original Contract Install Date:	11/30/2025
Amended Contract Install Date (If applicable):		_	
Original Total Amount Authorized: \$	5,301.00	Amended Total Amount Authorize	ed:
The Parties whose names are signed below hereb	y agree that the above-referenced		
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# PERCENT BASED - VOUCHER AND PRACTICE CERTIFICATION FORM

### PAYEE AND COST INFORMATION

Date

Name:	1864 Joseph Roer	ner Farm LLC		Contract No.:	2025WAGZ-\	WC-05
Address:	22205 699th St					
City, State, Zip:	Wabasha, MN					
Authorized:	\$5,301.00	% Approved:	90%	(state)	90%	(state & non-state)
(Hom contract)	Item		Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Cost
Tom Herbst Excav	ating - Structure Co	nstruction	1	Total	\$11,060.00	\$11,060.00
Gerkens - Seed An	d Fertilized Invoice	1	1	Total	\$404.44	\$404.44
Gerkens - Seed An	d Fertilized Invoice	2	1	Total	\$236.15	\$236.15
Self Invoice - Seed	ing labor for 3 peo	ple	4.5	Hours	\$66.00	\$297.00
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					PROJECT COST:	\$11,997.59
	est (partial or final):	RMATION		Final		
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F. Total previou	s partial payments:			\$0.00		
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### PERCENT BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

### **General Information**

Organization:	Contract Number:	Other state or non-State funds?	Amendment	Canceled
Wabasha SWCD	2025WAGZ-WC-05	☑ YES □ No	Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):

**Applicant** 

La	nd Occupier Name	Address	City/State	Zip Code
	1864 Joseph Roemer Farm LLC	68656 County Road 20	Wabasha, MN	55981

<sup>\*</sup> If a group contract, this must be filed and signed by the group spokesperson as designated in the group agreement and the group agreement attached to this form.

### **Conservation Practice Location**

Township Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Pepin	111	11	27	SE 1/4, SW 1/4

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Eligible Component Standards & Na	ames	-	Engineered Practice:	□ YES □ NO	Total Project Cost Estimate
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Amount Authorized for Financial Assistance The organization board or council has authorized the following for financial assistance, total not to exceed 90.0% of the total cost to establish the conservation practice plus the pre-construction cover total amount if utilizing the flat rate payment option.					
Amount		Program		a	Fiscal Year
\$5,301.00	G	reater Zumbro Water	shed Based Fundin	g	2024-2025
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Date May 22, 2025	Authorized Signature	Jalel			Total Amount Authorized \$5,301.00

## **Contract Amendment Form**

	Contract Number:	Amendment Number:	Amendment Type	
		1	Date Amount	
Wabasha SWCD	2024WinLac-WAB-008	Board Meeting Date:	Land Occupier	
		7/24/2025	Practice Other	
Amendment requests that are received outs program policies BWSR staff must be consul			install date, or grant	
State Grant Agreement Expiration Date:	12/31/2025	Original Contract Install Date:	11-30-2025	
Amended Contract Install Date (If applicable	):	_		
Original Total Amount Authorized:	\$35,412.30	Amended Total Amount Authorize	ed: \$43,950.59	
The Parties whose names are signed below h	nereby agree that the above-referenced			S
follows:				
authorized, \$43,950.59. This is an increa	ase of \$8,538.29.	aining in the lowest bid to get the		
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<sup>\*</sup>Attach this form to the Conservation Practice Assistance Contract

### PERCENT BASED - VOUCHER AND PRACTICE CERTIFICATION FORM

### PAYEE AND COST INFORMATION

Name:	Reiter Living Trust	/ William Reiter		Contract No.:	2024WinLac-	WAB-008
Address:	16004 75th ST NE					
City, State, Zip: Total Amount	Plainview, MN					
Authorized:	\$43,950.59	% Approved:	90%	(state)	90%	(state & non-state)
(non contract)	Item		Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Cost
Marlin Timm - Mo	bilization for Water	way Construction	1	Job	\$150.00	\$150.00
PERSONAL PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON	nstruction of Grasse		500	Ft	\$2.60	\$1,300.00
Meyers Seed - BLN			1	Bag	\$148.50	\$148.50
Self Invoice - Alfal	fa Bales for Mulch		3	Each	\$33.33	\$99.99
Self Invoice - Use	of 165HP John Deer	e 7810	2	Hours	\$57.75	\$115.50
Self Invoice - Crim			1	Job	\$50.00	\$50.00
Self Invoice - Mulo			1	Job	\$100.00	\$100.00
Self Invoice - Seed			1	Day	\$100.00	\$100.00
					PROJECT COST:	\$2,063.99
DAVMENT AND C	ERTIFICATION INFO	PMATION			NOJECT COST.	72,003.33
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	practice to date:			\$2,063.99		
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	tion Cover payment	amount:		\$0.00	Pre-Con.Cover A	c. Rate/Ac.
H. Maximum pay	yment amount		-	\$1,857.59		
A	Amount Approved f	or This Voucher: Amount Authorized)	\$1,	857.59		
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Payee Signature	70			7	Date	
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Technical Assistance P			Administrative	Sign-off		
7-18	- 2025	,		7/18/20	25	

### PERCENT BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

### General Information

Wabasha SWCD  2024WinLac-WAB-  PES  Board Meeting Date(s):  Board Meeting Date(s):	Organization:	Contract Number:	Other state or non-State funds?	Amendment	Canceled
008 L3 No	Wabasha SWCD	2024WinLac-WAB- 008	☐ YES ☑ No	Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):

Land Occupier Name	Address	City/State	Zip Code
Reiter-Living Trust / William Ratter	16004 75th ST NE	Plainview, MN	55964

If a group contract, this must be filed and signed by the group spakesperson as designated in the group agreement and the group agreement attached to this form

### **Conservation Practice Location**

Township Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Plainview	109	11	33	SW 1/4

### **Contract Information**

I (we), the undersigned, do hereby request cost share assistance to help defray the cost of installing the following practice(s) listed on the second page of this contract. It is understood that:

- The land occupier is responsible for full establishment, operation, and maintenance of all practices and upland treatment criteria applied under this program to ensure that the conservation objective of the practice is met and the effective life, a minimum of 15 years, is achieved. The specific operation and maintenance requirements for the conservation practice listed are described in the operation and maintenance plan prepared for this contract by the technical assistance provider
- Should the land occupier fail to maintain the practice during its effective life, the land occupier is liable to the State of Minnesota for the amount up to 150% of the amount of financial assistance received to install and establish the practice unless the failure was caused by reasons beyond the land occupier's control, or if conservation practices are applied at the land occupier's expense that provide equivalent protection of the soil and water resources.
- If title to this land is transferred to another party before expiration of the aforementioned life, it shall be the responsibility of the landowner who signed this contract to advise the new owner that this contract is in force and to notify other parties to the contract of the transfer.
- Practice(s) must be planned and installed in accordance with technical standards and specifications of the:

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USDA NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG)	

- 5. Increases in the practice units or cost must be approved by the organization board through amendment of this contract as a condition to increase the cost-share payments.
- This contract, when approved by the organization board or council, will remain in effect unless canceled or amended by mutual agreement, except where installations of practices covered by this contract have not been installed by 11-30-2025, this contract will be automatically terminated on that date.
- 7. Items of cost for which reimbursement is claimed are to be supported by invoices/receipts for payments and will be verified by the organization board as practical and reasonable. The invoices must include the name of the vendor; materials, labor or equipment used; the component unit costs and the dates the work was performed. The organization board has the authority to make adjustments to the costs submitted for reimbursement. Pre-Construction Cover is exempt from having the required invoices/receipts.

### **Applicant Signatures**

- Grant the organization's representative(s) access to the parcel where the conservation practice will be located.
- 2 Obtain all permits required in conjunction with the installation and establishment of the practice prior to starting construction of the practice.
- Be responsible for the operation and maintenance of conservation practices applied under this program in accordance with an operation and maintenance plan prepared by the technical assistance provider.
- 4. Not accept cost-share funds, from state sources in excess of 90.%, or state and non-state sources that when combined are in excess of 90.% of the total cost to establish the conservation practice. Pre-construction Cover is exempt from the percent reimbursement rate limitations when utilizing the flat rate payment option.
- 5. To provide copies of all forms and contracts pertinent to any other state or non-state programs that are contributing funds toward this project.

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onservation Pra	ctice for which cost-share is requ	uested is: 410 - Gr	ade Stabilization Str	ucture		
gible Component Standards		'' I A Bl	Engineered Practice:	☑ YES	□ NO	Total Project Cost Estimate
	g, 362 Diversion, 342 - Cr rassed Waterway, 484 - I		Ecological Practice:	☑ YES	□NO	\$39,347.00
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### Outreach and conservation delivery

Outreach will occur by Wabasha SWCD staff

### **Contract length**

- Program ends Dec 31st 2028. Yearly Contracts can be:

2025	2026	2027	2028
4 Year Contract	3 Year Contract	2 Year Contract	1 Year Contract

### **Contract Batching**

 Applicant batching will occur monthly, coinciding with the Wabasha SWCD Board meeting.

### Ranking

- Ranking will take place monthly prior to monthly Wabasha SWCD board meeting.

Ranking Criteria	Answer	Points
Does this project address at least one required resource	Yes /	N/A
concern?	No	
1. Does the applicant identify as a Historically	Yes /	
Underserved Farmer/Rancher? (15 pts)	No	
2. Is this the first time the applicant has utilized the	Yes /	
proposed practice? (10 pts)	No	
3. Does the proposed project fall within a Drinking	Yes /	
Water Supply Management Area? (10 pts)	No	
4. Is the proposed project located in a high priority area	Yes /	
within a CWMP? (20 pts)	No	
5. Does the proposed project fall within a sensitive	Yes /	
ground water area? (5pts)	No	
Total Available Points = 60	Total	
	Points	

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	Soil Health RC	PP 2025 Ranking / Bat	ching		July 2025		
Contract #	Total Ranking Points	Funding Request	Acres V	Contracted Years V		Township ~	Comments
79-25RCPP-06	5	\$11,400	19	4	\$50	Elgin	
79-25RCPP-10	25	\$2,070	41.4	1	\$50	Chester	
79-25RCPP-01	25	\$5,320	31.4 & 25	4	\$50	Watopa	
79-25RCPP-09	25	\$1,980	39.6	1	\$50	Elgin	
79-25RCPP-08	5	\$24,000	100	4	\$60	West Albany	
79-25RCPP-11	30	\$2,865	19.1	3	\$50	Chester	1st time using cover crops
79-25RCPP-12	40	\$6,400	38 & 30	4	\$50	Watopa	HU producer
79-25RCPP-07	0	\$2,000	10	4	\$50	Plainview	
79-25RCPP-13	25	\$22,740	100 & 79	3	\$60 & \$20	Highland	cover crops & no-till, 1st time using cover crops
	0	\$78,775	398.5				
	0	Funds Remaining \$71,225		11 == -			

Pending contract signatures, technical sign off & eligibility review

### **List of Allowable Resource Concerns**

OCHERA FI	ogram Overview Resource Concerns						
Category	Resource Concern						
	Subsidence						
	Compaction						
Soil quality	Organic matter depletion						
limitations	Concentration of salts or other chemicals						
	Soil organism habitat loss or degradation						
	Aggregate instability						
	Nutrients transported to surface water (P&N)						
	Nutrients transported to groundwater (P&N)						
Field sediment, nutrient, and	Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to surface waters						
pathogen loss	Pathogens and chemicals from manure, biosolids or compost applications transported to groundwater						
	Sediment transported to surface water (Erosion sources)						
Commercial	Surface water depletion						
Source Water Depletion	Inefficient irrigation water use						
Depletion	Groundwater depletion						

Practice	Cod	Uni t	Max Rate allowed on Soil Health RCPP. Cannot be exceeded	Wabasha SWCD Soil Health RCPP rates and policy
Conservation Cover	C		De exceeded	rates and policy
- introduced		acr		
species	327	e	\$1000/acre	\$300.00/acre
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<ul> <li>Pollinator Species</li> </ul>	327	е	\$1000/acre	\$600/acre
Contour Buffer Strips	332	acr e	\$610/acre	\$600/acre
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Planting	342	Acr e	\$700/acre	75%
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		acr		
Field Border	386	e	\$600/acre	\$600/acre. 10-year lifespan
		acr		·
Filter Strip	393	е	\$700/acre	75% cost share. 10-year lifespan
				\$50/acre per year for 4 years.
Pasture and Hay		acr		Must be planted on new acres and plant 5
Planting	512	е	\$800/acre	years all on same acres.
Forest Stand	000	acr	<b>#700</b> /	Average current EQIP rate for components not to
Improvement	666	е	\$700/acre	exceed the max allowable per acre.
Dropprihad Crazing	500	acr	<b>\$90/00</b>	75% cost share not to exceed max allowable acre
Prescribed Grazing	528	е	\$80/acre	rate.
Residue and Tillage Management (No-		acr		\$20/aara Sama aaraa minimaa 2
Till)	329	e	\$35/acre	\$20/acre – Same acres, minimum 3-year contract, 100-acre max
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Establishment	612	h	\$12/each	max allowable rate per tree.
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### FLAT RATE - VOUCHER AND PRACTICE CERTIFICATION FORM

PAYEE AND CO	OST INFORMATION  Alan Jostock					
Address:	326 Hill St E			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
City, State, Zip:	Hammond, MN		55991			
Contract No.:	2024WAGZ-WC-02	Total Amount (from contract)		\$6,170.00		
	Practice	Quantity	Unit	Unit Rate	Total	
329 Reduced Tillage, no-till		67.9	ac	\$5.00	\$339.50	
		Armenink in specimen	PAYMEN	T REQUEST:	\$339.50	
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A. Type of reque B. Payment amo C. Total Amount	t Authorized: is partial payments:		Partial \$339.50 \$6,170.00 \$1,800.00 \$4,370.00			
,	Amount Approved for This Voucher: (cannot exceed Total Amount Authorized)	\$339	9.50			
received and that the i	ation  tion has been performed and as built  tems identified under the Practice  this form have been completed and are in  equested practice standards and	that to the best of	reviewed this voi my knowledge an	ucher and all supporting Id belief, the quantities a terms of the contract id	nd rates are	
Technical Assistance P	Provider	Administrative Sig	gn-off			
Date		Date				

### FLAT RATE BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

### **General Information**

Organization:	Contract Number:	Other state or non-state funds?	Amendment	Canceled
Wabasha SWCD	2024WAGZ-WC- 02		Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):

### **Applicant**

Land Occupier Name	Address	City/State	Zip code
Alan Jostock	326 Hill St E	Hammond, MN	55991

<sup>\*</sup> If a group contract, this must be filed and signed by the group spokesperson as designated in the group agreement and the group agreement attached to this form

### **Conservation Practice Location**

Township Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Hyde Park	109	13	14	SW 1/4

### **Contract Information**

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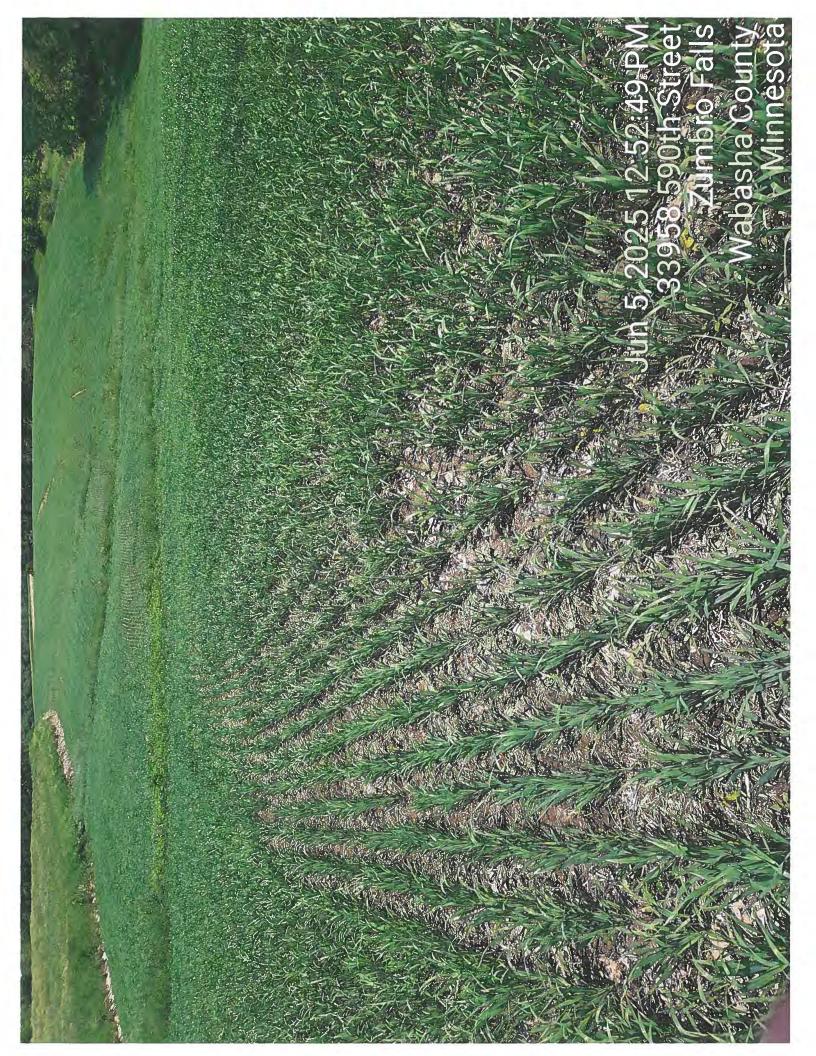
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### ALAN JOSTOCK 2024-WAGZ-WC-02

COVER CROP	
Rank = 71	
Rate = \$45/ac	
Fall cover crop acres	35
Early cover crop acres	5
Total acres	40

### COVER CROP PAYMENT

40 ac \* \$45/ac = \$1,800 \$1,800 \* 3 years = \$5,400

### NO TILL FIELDS

Rank = 59

Rate = \$5/ac

### NO TILL PAYMENT (rotational)

77 ac \* \$5/ac =

\$385

\$385 \* 2 years =

\$770

TOTAL AMOUNT

\$6,170

### FLAT RATE - VOUCHER AND PRACTICE CERTIFICATION FORM

	OST INFORMATION						
Name:	Alan Jostock						
Address:	326 Hill St E						
City, State, Zip:	Hammond, MN		55991	4=			
Contract No.:	2024WAGZ-WC-03	Total Amount (from contract)	Authorized:	\$2,720	0.00		
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### FLAT RATE BASED CONSERVATION PRACTICE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

### General Information

Organization:	Contract Number:	Other state or non-state funds?	Amendment	Canceled
Wabasha SWCD	2024WAGZ-WC- 03		Board Meeting Date(s):	Board Meeting Date(s):

### **Applicant**

Land Occupier Name	Address	City/State	Zip code
Alan Jostock	326 Hill St E	Hammond, MN	55991

<sup>\*</sup> If a group contract, this must be filed and signed by the group spokesperson as designated in the group agreement and the group agreement attached to this form

### **Conservation Practice Location**

Yownship Name:	Township No:	Range No.:	Section No.	1/4,1/4
Zumbro	109	13	27	NW 1/4

### **Contract Information**

I (we), the undersigned, do hereby request cost share assistance to help defray the cost of installing the following practice(s) listed on the second page of this contract. It is understood that:

- 1. The land occupier is responsible for full establishment, operation, and maintenance of all practices and upland treatment criteria applied under this program to ensure that the conservation objective of the practice is met and the effective life, a minimum of 1 years, is achieved. The specific operation and maintenance requirements for the conservation practice listed are described in the operation and maintenance plan prepared for this contract by the technical assistance provider.
- 2. Should the land occupier fail to maintain the practice during its effective life, the land occupier is liable to the State of Minnesota for the amount up to 150% of the amount of financial assistance received to install and establish the practice unless the failure was caused by reasons beyond the land occupier's control, or if conservation practices are applied at the land occupier's expense that provide equivalent protection of the soil and water resources.
- 3. If title to this land is transferred to another party before expiration of the aforementioned life, it shall be the responsibility of the landowner who signed this contract to advise the new owner that this contract is in force and to notify other parties to the contract of the transfer.
- 4. Practice(s) must be planned and installed in accordance with technical standards and specifications of the:

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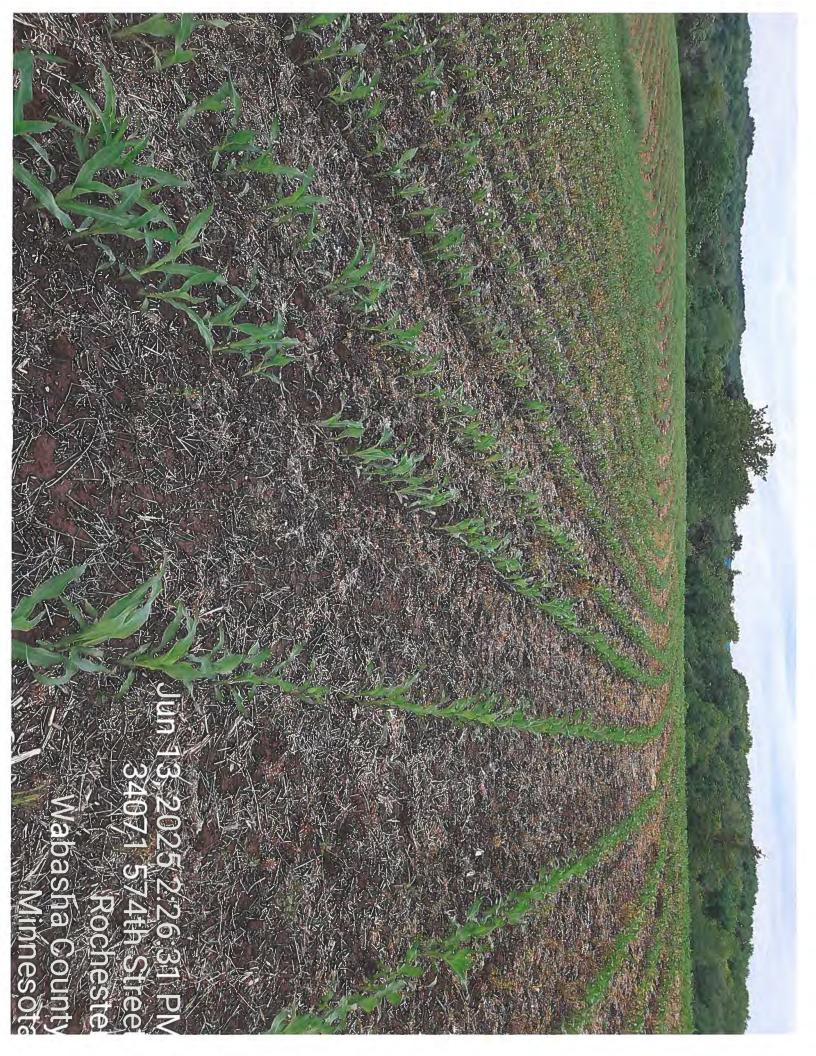
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## ALAN JOSTOCK 2024-WAGZ-WC-03

COVER CROP	
Rank = 66	
Rate = \$40/ac	
Fall cover crop acres	10
Early cover crop acres	10
Total acres	20

## COVER CROP PAYMENT

20 ac \* \$40/ac = \$800 \$800 \* 3 years = \$2,400

## NO TILL FIELDS

Rank = 54

Rate = \$5/ac

## NO TILL PAYMENT (rotational)

32 ac \* \$5/ac =

\$160

\$160 \* 2 years =

\$320

TOTAL AMOUNT

\$2,720

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## **Event Organizers:**

Midwest Forage Association Minnesota Dairy Initiative Southeast Minnesota Forage Council

# SOUTHEAST MINNESOTA FORAGE FIELD DAY & DAIRY TOUR TUESDAY, AUGUST 5 • 9:45 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. HYDE PARK HOLSTEINS: 61944 WABASHA COUNTY RD 6, ZUMBRO FALLS, MN 55041

## **FORAGE FIELD DAY & DAIRY TOUR AGENDA**

#### 9:45 a.m. Arrival and Welcome

#### 10:00 a.m. Farm Overview

- The Siewerts' high production herd performance reflects top-tier genetics, nutrition, and management; the farm overview gives a glimpse at what goes into their farm management.
  - Chelsea Russell, Midwest Forage Association, St Paul, MN
  - Kevin Siewert, Hyde Park Holsteins, Zumbro Falls, MN

#### 10:15 a.m. Overcoming the Diseases Challenging Alfalfa

- An overview of the most damaging alfalfa diseases, how to identify them, and strategies for reducing diseases from establishment to harvest; with current research on emerging diseases.
  - Debby Samac, USDA ARS, St. Paul, MN

## 10:45 a.m. Alfalfa and Corn Silage Management Considerations

- A discussion on considerations for alfalfa and corn silage management and a look at how alfalfa is managed at Hyde Park Holsteins.
  - Luke Daninger, Ag Partners Coop, Goodhue, MN
  - Kevin Siewert, Hyde Park Holsteins, Zumbro Falls, MN

## 11:15 a.m. Field Walk, HarvXtra® Alfalfa Field (Planted Fall 2024)

- Kate Meyer, CROPLAN, Winona, MN
- Randy Welch, Forage Genetics International, Madison, WI

## 11:45 p.m. MFA and MDI Updates

- Chelsea Russell, Midwest Forage Association, St Paul, MN
- Dale Heintz, Minnesota Dairy Initiative, Eyota, MN
- Makenzie Alberts, Minnesota Dairy Initiative, Pine Island, MN

## 12:15 p.m. Lunch

## 1:00 p.m. Alfalfa Quality Trends, Targeted Cutting Strategy, and Ration Forage Inclusion

- A look at the alfalfa quality trends and cutting strategy at Hyde Park Holsteins that targets different animal groups while allowing regrowth. Includes highlights of their high-alfalfa feeding strategy, which helped them achieve production levels averaging 8.5 lbs of milk fat and protein per cow/day in 2024.
  - Ben Flueger, Ag Partners Coop, Goodhue, MN

## 1:20 p.m. Sand Separation Lane Discussion and Tour

- Using sand lanes is a way to reclaim bedding and improve cow comfort. Discussion and tour to show how it works at Hyde Park Holsteins.
  - Dale Heintz, Minnesota Dairy Initiative, Eyota, MN
  - Kevin Siewert, Hyde Park Holsteins, Zumbro Falls, MN

While the event is free, you are encouraged to RSVP by July 28 for meal planning and communication on weather changes.

RSVP at mfa@midwestforage.org or 651.484.3888



Susan Cerwinske <susan.cerwinske.wabashaswcd@gmail.com>

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District Manager/Water Planner

Wabasha SWCD

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## September 10 & 11, 2025

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## TRAINING HIGHLIGHT

## Braver Angels

## William Doherty, Ph.D., Co-Founder, Braver Angels



\*Read more about Bill Doherty HERE.

Braver Angels is leading the nation's largest cross-partisan, volunteer-led movement to bridge the partisan divide and strengthen our democratic republic.

When all voices are heard, civic renewal grows. This session explores the causes of political polarization and its impact at the local level. It will also focus on the skills necessary to build trust and collaborate effectively with individuals who hold opposing views. SWCD participants will learn strategies for fostering constructive dialogue, understanding differing perspectives, and bridging divides to strengthen community cohesion and trust in local government.







Registration Deadline: August 22

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#### **AGENDA**

## Wednesday, September 10

8:30 am	Registration
9:00 am	Welcome & Program
Noon	Lunch
1-2:30 pm	Break Out Sessions
3-4:30 pm	Break Out Sessions
4:30 pm	Cash Bar & Networking
5:30 pm	Casual Dinner

#### TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

- Social Trust in Local Government: William J. Doherty, Ph.D., Co-Founder, Braver Angels
- SWCD Statutory & Funding Authorities
- Enhancing Board-Staff Relationships
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- Open Meeting Law
- Creating Collaborative Meetings
- Establishing Collaborative Arrangements with Local Government
- SWCD Essential Services
- Advocacy in ActionFostering Deliberations in Your SWCD
- Parliamentary Procedure 101
- and more!

## Thursday, September 11

Continental Breakfast w/croissandwich 7 am

8-9:30 am **Break Out Sessions** 9:45-12:30 pm General Sessions

12:30 pm Depart

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# Stewardship Summit: SWCD Governance & Leadership Essentials

## September 10 & 11, 2025

Holiday Inn, 75 South 37th Avenue, St. Cloud, MN

Join us for an engaging and practical conference designed to equip supervisors and staff with the essential knowledge and skills needed for effective SWCD governance and leadership. This event will provide foundational instruction that strengthens leadership capabilities, enhances decision-making, and reinforces your district's mission.

## Wednesday, September 10

8:30 – 9:00 am *Check In - Registration* 

9:00 – 9:10 am **Welcome – Chuck Rau, MASWCD Board President.** 

9:10 – 10:00 am

SWCDs: Our Origins, Milestones, and the Mission of Locally Led Conservation – LeAnn Buck, Executive Director, MASWCD. The history of how the Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) movement has shaped the core values and culture of local conservation efforts. This session will explore the evolution of SWCDs, tracing their origins, key milestones, and the impact of locally led conservation. We'll highlight Minnesota's conservation delivery partnership and discuss how collaborative efforts continue to strengthen conservation stewardship. By reflecting on the legacy of SWCDs and understanding the principles that have driven past conservation milestones, participants will gain insight that will inspire effective conservation strategies for the future.

Defining the Essential Services of a Modern Soil and Water Conservation District – LeAnn Buck, Executive Director, MASWCD. The MASWCD defines "local district capacity" as the readiness of SWCDs to plan, identify, and successfully implement district statutory obligations and private lands conservation. This session will provide a holistic and integrated essential services approach to execute the SWCD mission.

10:00 – 10:30 am

Break

10:30 am - Noon

Social Trust in Local Government – William Doherty, Ph.D., Co-Founder, Braver Angels. When all voices are heard, civic renewal grows. This session explores the causes of political polarization and its impact at the local level. It will also focus on the skills necessary to build trust and collaborate effectively with individuals who hold opposing views. SWCD participants will learn strategies for fostering constructive dialogue, understanding differing perspectives, and bridging divides to strengthen community cohesion and trust in local government.

12:00 - 1:00 pm

Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 pm

Breakout Sessions (please select one)

SWCD Statutory and Funding Authorities – Sheila Vanney, Assistant Director, MASWCD. This session will focus on SWCD governance and authorities as outlined in Minnesota State Statutes. Participants will deepen their understanding of SWCD law, supervisor compensation, elections, reporting requirements, and the district conservation contract program. In addition to district authorities, we will also explore current state funding mechanisms for SWCDs, providing a comprehensive overview that supports district's conservation work.

Enhancing Your Board-Staff Relationship – Lisa Hinz and Jody Horntvedt, Extension Educators, University of Minnesota Extension. Good district board-staff relationships don't just happen – they get created and sustained through effort. In this session, we will explore public board-staff roles and share tools to build good relationships for a more effective public organization and support for local conservation outcomes.

Data Security: How SWCD Records Management Plays a Key Role – Richard Miehe, Risk Management Consultant, and Karen Clayton Ebert, Senior Staff Council for Risk Control, MN Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT): The enormous volume of data that SWCDs collect to conduct their mission means their data security threat landscape is just as large. This session:

- provides an overview of the laws related to a public entity's data management, including the Minnesota Official Records Act, Records Retention Act and Minnesota Government Data Practices Act;
- explains how deliberately managing SWCD's data can help reduce the potential adverse consequences from a data security incident; and
- explores best practices tips for reducing the amount of information the SWCD maintains and how to ensure the information they need to keep is secure.

2:30 – 3:00 pm **Br** 

Break

3:00 - 4:30 pm

Breakout Sessions (please select one)

Minnesota's Open Meeting Law – Sonya Guggemos, Senior Staff Counsel for Risk Control, MN Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT). The Minnesota Open Meeting Law is a key component for transparency in government operations. A violation of the law can affect the credibility of the SWCD and its leaders, as well as expose them to litigation and fines. This session will review the most recent changes to the Open Meeting Law including:

- What constitutes a "meeting" under the law;
- When the SWCD governing body can legally close a meeting;
- How to properly notice, close and record meetings;
- Provisions that allow elected officials to participate through a virtual, remote connection; and
- How MCIT coverage responds to claims that allege a violation of the Open Meeting law.

Beyond the Agenda; Creating Collaborative Meetings – Lisa Hinz and Jody Horntvedt, Extension Educators, University of Minnesota Extension.

Meetings don't have to feel like routine reports! In this interactive workshop, you'll discover strategies to enhance engagement and encourage active participation – ensuring that meetings are a space for meaningful discussion and collaborative problem solving. Whether you're leading the conversation or simply attending, you'll learn techniques on how to foster a more inclusive environment where individuals feel comfortable sharing their ideas and contributing to meaningful discussions.

The ABC's of Establishing Successful Collaborative Arrangements with other Local Units of Government - Karen Clayton Ebert, Senior Staff Counsel for Risk Control, MN Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT) Collaborative arrangements can be a useful way to address operational needs or for watershed management activities that cross multiple jurisdictional boundaries. A sound collaboration is built on a solid foundation. This session explains the building blocks of a successful arrangement, whether it is a collaborative agreement or a standalone joint powers entity (JPE).

4:30 – 5:30 pm

**Reception & Cash Bar** ~ an opportunity for SWCD officials and resource professionals to network with peers and partners.

## Thursday, September 11 (DAY 2)

7:00 – 8:00 am *Breakfast* 

8:00 – 9:30 am **Breakout Sessions (please select one)** 

SWCD Advocacy in Action: Understanding the State Legislative Process – Sheila Vanney, Assistant Director, MASWCD. SWCDs rely on state laws and funding to support conservation programs and provide technical assistance across Minnesota. This session covers a comprehensive range of topics, from understanding the legislative and executive branch processes to engaging with decision-makers. SWCD members will enhance their skills and knowledge to effectively advocate for district programs and policy.

Fostering Deliberation in Your SWCD – Lisa Hinz and Jody Horntvedt, Extension Educators, University of Minnesota Extension. Fostering deliberation involves creating spaces for thoughtful discussion, openminded engagement, and collaborative decision-making. This workshop will focus on strategic questioning that encourages people to consider different perspectives, weigh options, and work together to find common solutions. Attendees will also learn techniques and tools for building understanding that encourage disagreement without being disagreeable, which will strengthen your SWCD's ability to make a difference in conservation.

'I Move That'... Parliamentary Procedure 101 – Kevin Dahlman,
Parliamentarian. Parliamentary procedure is a useful tool for conducting
meetings, assuring fairness, and completing business in an orderly
manner. Through this engaging session, you'll gain the skills to navigate
parliamentary procedure and how to confidently make motions, handle
nominations, and conduct voting. Don't miss this opportunity to boost
your governance expertise!

Enhancing SWCD Technical Assistance Through Credentialing & Job Approval Authority – Kelly Voigt, Regional Training Conservationist and Amanda Deans, Training Engineer, MN Board of Water and Soil Minnesota's Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs) play a vital role in helping landowners voluntarily conserve and enhance natural resources. This session will explore how Conservation Planner

Certification and Job Approval Authority (JAA)—credentialing systems supported by NRCS, MASWCD, and BWSR—strengthen the technical expertise of local staff. We'll outline the responsibilities of both SWCD employees and Board Supervisors in utilizing these tools to build a skilled, responsive conservation workforce equipped to meet Minnesota's growing resource challenges.

9:30 - 9:45 am

Break

9:45 - 10:45 am

**General Sessions** 

Minnesota's Conservation Delivery Partnership – Troy Daniell, State Conservationist, NRCS, and John Jaschke, Executive Director, BWSR. Minnesota SWCDs have a rich history of partnering to help people and communities address their conservation goals. This session will focus on how and why SWCDs, the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), and the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) work together to conserve natural resources on private lands. We will discuss the partnership's unique roles and collective work including:

- NRCS Farm Bill Conservation Programs
- BWSR/SWCD Grants, Programs & Initiatives
- Conservation Practice Standards & the Field Office Technical Guide
- Local Working Groups & the SWCD Role
- Economics of Locally Led Conservation

10:45 - 11:00

Break

11:00 - 11:45

Clean Water Fund, Comprehensive Watershed Management and the SWCDs Role – Jen Kader, Administrator, MN Clean Water Council and LeAnn Buck, Executive Director, MASWCD. Minnesotans value their drinking water, streams, and groundwater. On November 4, 2008, voters approved the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment to the state constitution. The Clean Water Fund (CWF), supported by the Amendment, plays a crucial role in protecting and restoring the state's water resources. Participants will

- discover the history and drivers for the creation of the Clean Water Legacy Act;
- learn about the Clean Water Council and their role in developing budget recommendations to the legislature on CWF spending, current budget priorities and goals;
- review the critical role of SWCDs through collaborative and collective watershed implementation efforts; and

• look ahead to the current and future challenges to ensure water is safe and healthy for future generations.

11:45 am-12:30 pm

MASWCD Essential Services and Closing Remarks LeAnn Buck, Executive Director, MASWCD - MASWCD provides leadership and a common voice for Minnesota's SWCDs. Hear how MASWCD members collaborate with the legislative and executive branches to support Minnesota's SWCDs through policy analysis and advocacy. We will also explore the Association's educational and professional development training resources to help district resource professionals and officials better serve their communities.

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