

The Jasper County Soil and Water Conservation District's
FY15 financial audit was completed by Dennis Kapper from
Kapper & Company, LTD as required by Section 21 of the Soil
and Water Conservation District Act.

We the directors of the Jasper County Soil and Water
Conservation District do hereby approve the FY15 Annual Report.



Annual Report

FY15

Jasper County Soil and Water Conservation District

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 Administrative Coordinator Resource Conservationist

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 District Conservationist Soil Conservation Technician

The Jasper County Soil & Water Conservation District Board meets the 1st Thursday of every month at the USDA building in Newton

NRCS & SWCD TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED 2015 CONSTRUCTION SEASON

	Number	Acres
Waterways.....	7	5.2
Structures.....	2	

USDA Farm Program Contracts

CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM (CRP)

<u>Continuous CRP Practices</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Filter Strips (grasses & legumes)-CP21.....	1496.3
Wellhead-CP1.....	148.8
Riparian Buffer (trees)-CP22.....	3283.78
Windbreaks-CP5A.....	6.4
Waterways-CP8A.....	119.5
Shallow Water Wetlands-CP9.....	82.4
Shelterbelt-CP16A.....	24.0
Wetland Restoration-CP23.....	28.9
Rare and Declining Habitat-CP25.....	8.6
Bottomland Timber Establishment-CP31.....	567.2
Quail Buffer-CP33.....	2137.6
SAFE Area-CP38E-1.....	1359.94
SAFE Area-CP38E-2.....	180.3
SAFE Area-CP38E-4D.....	205.9
SAFE Area-CP38E-12.....	2.1
Pollinator Habitat-CP42.....	222.5
Total Continuous CRP acres.....	9874.22
<u>Standard CRP Practices</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Cool Season Grasses-CP1.....	901.1
Warm Season Grasses-CP2.....	161.1
Tree Planting-CP3A.....	537.6
Wildlife Habitat-CP4D.....	1021.6
Existing Grasses-CP10.....	279.4
Existing Trees-CP11.....	13.7
Food Plot-CP12.....	29.7
Total Standard CRP acres.....	2944.2
TOTAL CRP ACRES IN COUNTY as of 12-31-15	12818.42

Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP).....	0 contracts
Wetland Reserve Program Restoration (WRP).....	1 contracts 251 acres
Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP).....	18 contracts

DISTRICT ACTIVITIES DURING FY15

July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

DISTRICT EQUIPMENT RENTAL

NO-TILL DRILLS

3 John Deere No-till drills \$10.00 per acre

GREAT PLAINS DRILL \$10.00 per acre \$30 minimum charge

ROOT PLOW \$25.00 per day

TREE PLANTER \$25.00 per day

FABRIC PLOW \$0.65 per feet of fabric installed

**THE DISTRICT REQUIRES
A SIGNED RENTAL AGREEMENT
BEFORE USING THIS EQUIPMENT**

Also available for sale

Marking flags, filter fabric and erosion control netting



- The District held 10 regular board meetings.
- Two Council 10 meetings, AISWCD Annual Meeting & Summer Conference and Winter Training were attended by staff and directors.
- Election of two directors was held February 5th in the SWCD office. Mike Evans and Randy Chapman
- During FY15, 12165 sq. ft. of fabric, 10725 sq. ft. of netting and 870 flags were sold.
- A tree sale was held in April. 24 customers purchased 660 evergreen trees.
- Two fish sales were held and distributed fish to 52 customers.
- Three John Deere No-Till drills are available for rent. 40 customers used them on 1456.6 acres.
- The root plow can be used along fencerows to cut the roots that sap moisture and nutrients from crop fields. It is available for rent for \$25.00 a day and was used by 0 producers.
- The tree planter is available for use by producers to plant seedlings.
- 6th grade Conservation Field Day was held in September. In September, the student's conservation projects were viewed at each school.
- The 10' Great Plains Drill was used to plant 343.2 acres of waterways, pastures and CRP Quail Buffer acres and was used by 20 producers.
- For Arbor Day the District provided 655 Bald Cypress Pine seedlings (500 of these came from IDNR) to the K-4 students and 50 White Pine seedlings donated to Autism Awareness in the Community
- The rainfall simulator was used at the 6th grade conservation field day at Sam Parr State Park.
- The District made CPP (Conservation Practices Program) payments of \$4000.00 on 1 project.
- The District's fabric plow is used to install fabric checks on waterways. It was used by 1 customers on 980 ft.
- The Envirothon team at Newton Community High School competed at the Land Use Council 10 competition.
- The District seeded 61.2 Quail Buffer acres on 10 tracts using the Great Plains drills and a rented tractor.
- Sponsored a Poster Contest for 5th & 6th grade students. "Local Heroes: Your Hardworking Pollinators" was the theme and there were 158 entries.
- 227 contracts were approved for a total of 1817.28 acres in Signup 47 of the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).
- The District awarded two \$1000.00 scholarships. The recipients were Mareah Volk and Mitch Tarr.
- A contribution agreement was completed with NRCS by district employees for CRP work completed.
- District funding was again a major issue. Employees and Directors continued to keep legislators informed of the District's importance and need for stable funding.

JASPER COUNTY SOIL WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

FY15

July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

	General Fund	Program Fund CPP	Program Fund CPP-Bond	Program Fund CPP-Interest	Equipment Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Revenue:						
Intergovernmental						
State of Illinois-Allocation Grant	\$33,945.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ 33,945.00
NRCS-Contribution Agreement	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00
State of Illinois-CPP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Local Government Support	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Intergovernmental	53,945.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	53,945.00
Charges for Services						
Sales - Quail Buffer, Trees, etc.	21,713.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21,713.55
Rentals - Equipment	19,400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,400.00
Services - Quail Buffer Tractor, Drill & Labor	7,682.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,682.00
Total Charges for Services	48,795.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,795.55
Investment Earnings	2,909.48	0.00	0.00	2.58	1.53	2,913.57
Miscellaneous	604.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	604.41
Total Revenues	106,254.42	0.00	0.00	2.58	1.53	106,258.53
Expenditures:						
General Government	102,001.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	102,001.71
Culture & Recreation	6,472.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,472.15
Environment	23,717.73	387.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,105.31
Capital Overlay	25,220.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,220.98
Total Expenditures	157,412.57	387.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	157,800.15
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(51,158.15)	(387.58)	0.00	2.58	1.53	(51,541.62)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Operating Transfers In	1,124.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,124.99
Operating Transfers (Out)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-1,124.99	(1,124.99)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	1,124.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	-1,124.99	0.00
Net Change in Fund Balance	(50,033.16)	(387.58)	0.00	2.58	(1,123.46)	(51,541.62)
Fund Balances-Beginning	450,070.54	4,387.58	0.00	11,713.58	1,123.46	467,295.16
Fund Balances-Ending	\$400,037.38	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$11,716.16	\$0.00	\$415,753.54