

FY 2015 Needs Assessment Narrative
Linn County Soil and Water Conservation District

Linn

Overview of District Needs Assessment:

Resource Concern	FY11 Number of Practices Completed	FY11 Cost-Share Payments	FY12 Number of Practices Completed	FY12 Cost-Share Payments	FY14 Allocation	FY15 Needs Assessment Request
Animal Waste Management	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Grazing Management	1	\$ 3,808	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000
Irrigation Management	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Nutrient & Pest Management	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ 2,300	\$ 11,300
Sensitive Areas	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400
Sheet, Rill, and Gully Erosion	28	\$ 292,331	26	\$ 302,604	\$ 284,129	\$ 1,415,000
Woodland Erosion	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total:	29	\$ 296,139	26	\$ 302,604	\$ 286,429	\$ 1,436,700

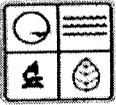
Provide a brief overview of the changes affecting your district's needs request for the fiscal year, more specific information can be included in the explanation for each resource concern. (Only text within the text box borders will be visible.)

The Linn County Board of Supervisors and employees have determined what resource concerns need to be addressed in our county. We reviewed the current and previous requests made by landowners for cost share practices. At this time, we believe our county has a need for 4 of the 7 resource concerns.

Resource Concern: Animal Waste Management

Requested Amount: \$ -

Briefly describe the goals and types of practices for the resource concern, including the expected number of landowners contacted and practices to be completed for the fiscal year.



Resource Concern: Grazing Management

Requested Amount: \$ 10,000

Briefly describe the goals and types of practices for the resource concern, including the expected number of landowners contacted

The Linn County SWCD has reviewed the requests for Grazing Management practices in order to determine the current need for these practices. The district is requesting \$10,000 in Grazing Management for fiscal year 2015. This includes two landowners interested in DSP-02. This will allow the landowners to interseed legumes to enhance pasture, reduce soil erosion and improve water quality.

Resource Concern: Irrigation Management

Requested Amount: \$ -

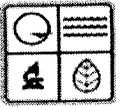
Briefly describe the goals and types of practices for the resource concern, including the expected number of landowners contacted

Resource Concern: Nutrient and Pest Management

Requested Amount: \$ 11,300

Briefly describe the goals and types of practices for the resource concern, including the expected number of landowners contacted

The Linn County SWCD has reviewed the requests for Nutrient and Pest Management practices in order to determine the current need for these practices. The district is requesting \$11,300 in Nutrient and Pest Management for fiscal year 2015. This includes two landowners interested in N590. One landowner began his nutrient management plan in FY13 and will complete it in FY15 with completing his 3 years for the plan. The other is a new landowner interested in the practice. This will allow landowners to practice new management practices with the adoption of new management techniques following a nutrient management plan to give them an environmental advantage.



Resource Concern: Sensitive Areas

Requested Amount: \$ 400

Briefly describe the goals and types of practices for the resource concern, including the expected number of landowners contacted

The Linn County SWCD is requesting \$400 in Sensitive Areas for fiscal year 2015. This includes one landowner interested in N351. This will allow the landowner to prevent the entry of unwanted substances and contaminated water into the well.

Resource Concern: Sheet, Rill, and Gully Erosion

Requested Amount: \$ 1,415,000

Briefly describe the goals and types of practices for the resource concern, including the expected number of landowners contacted

The Linn County SWCD has reviewed the requests for sheet rill and gully erosion practices in order to determine the current need for these practices. The districts most recent cost share sign up numbers were used in determining these needs. Our most recent sign up showed requests for 57 DSL-44 practices. These 57 practices would take approximately \$855,000 to fund. As farmers are turning more hill grassland into crop ground we are projecting the need for these practices to remain steady over the next several years. The sign up also showed requests for 54 DWC-01 practices and 4 DWP-01 practices. These 58 practices would take approximately \$560,000 to fund. The request for DWC-01 practices are higher than normal due to the drought. We project these numbers to gradually drop in the coming years if rainfall returns to normal. The district is requesting a total of \$1,415,000 in the sheet, rill, and gully erosion resource concern.

Resource Concern: Woodland Erosion

Requested Amount: \$ -

Briefly describe the goals and types of practices for the resource concern, including the expected number of landowners contacted

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The Linn County Soil and Water Conservation District Board has reviewed the FY 2015 Needs Assessment Narrative and authorize staff to submit the information into MoSWIMS and submit this narrative to the Soil and Water Conservation Program Office for submission to the Soil and Water Districts Commission.

Till Lane
Board Signature

11-22-13
Date