

2024

ANNUAL REPORT



FREEBORN COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Mission Statement

To serve the residents of Freeborn County by creating an awareness of soil and water resource concerns, by offering practical alternatives to manage these concerns, and by providing technical assistance (as local resources allow) to apply and maintain best management practices (BMPs) that impact water quality while sustaining soil productivity and land-user profits.

SERVICES PROVIDED



- Site visits to establish resource concerns, creation of engineering plans, structure layout, and supervision of construction of conservation practices. The most common practices include grassed waterways, water and sediment control basins, and grade stabilization structures.
- Implementation of the State Cost-Share Program. This includes visiting with landowners & producers to establish goals, assisting in application to the program, design of practices/structures, record keeping of activities, and site visits of current and past contracts to ensure proper installation/maintenance of the practice/structure.
- Management of the Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Easement Program. This includes outreach, new enrollments into the program, and site monitoring to ensure proper maintenance of easements.
- Administration of the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) Easement Program. This includes outreach, new enrollments into the program, and site monitoring to ensure proper maintenance of easements.
- Implementation of the Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program (MAWQCP). This includes educational outreach, assisting with the application process and maintaining current certifications.
- Implementation of One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) for the major watersheds within the county. This includes participating in planning, advisory, policy meetings, and the education and implementation of conservation practices to reach the goals of the Comprehensive Watershed Management Plans.
- Management of the Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District No-Till Drill Program. This includes coordination with landowners for scheduling, delivery and pick-up.
- Implements an annual Tree Sale to provide quality, affordable trees for conservation purposes to residents of Freeborn County.
- Farmstead and Field Windbreak design, species selection, on-site layout, and planting equipment rental.
- Educate landowners/producers on the Agricultural Best Management Practices (BMP) Loan Program. These funds are made available through the State Revolving Fund and are administered by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture through local financial institutions.
- Assisting landowners with compliance issues with the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act (WCA), which was passed in 1991. This may include reviewing maps to determine potential applicability of the Act or discussing alternatives in cooperation with the LGU and Technical Evaluation Panel (TEP) Membership. Also, assistance with the Minnesota Soil Loss Ordinance.
- Conservation compliance planning and assistance with other aspects of the current Farm Bill.
- Assisting and working cooperatively with various conservation partners. This includes, but is not limited to: the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Minnesota Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR), Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA), local Watershed Districts (WDs), Freeborn County Environmental Services, and other Soil & Water Conservation Districts (SWCD).
- Conservation education projects, demonstrations, and workshops.
- Participates in the Local Workgroup for Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP).
- Partnership with local producers and conservation partners through the Freeborn Area Soil Health Team.



LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

As I sit down to write this letter, it will be my last. I have retired from the position of supervisor for the SWCD along with fellow supervisors Don Kropp and Dave Ausen. Our last board meeting together was held on December 12, 2024. Our SWCD District Manager Brenda Lageson is also retiring March 31, 2025. We have seen so many changes in past years. Our SWCD continues to grow both in staff and new programs. I am excited to see what the new team will accomplish in the future. I am confident that they will continue to serve the landowner/operators in Freeborn County with the knowledge and tools they have available.

Our district continues to be an active partner in the One Watershed One Plan planning effort. Some of our goals have shifted a bit to access the new funding sources tied to these plans. We have either cost shared or assisted with many projects with these funds such as cover crops, no-till, well sealings, Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) Incentives, grassed waterways, water and sediment control basins, etc. These projects put \$265,208.20 of conservation on the ground in Freeborn County this past year.

We will continue to help with windbreak planning, tree selection, and offer many varieties of conservation trees and shrubs for sale to interested landowner/operators.

On behalf of our SWCD Board of Supervisors, I would like to thank all the local agencies, organizations, other local units of government and individuals that work in cooperation with us to deliver conservation programs and “put conservation on the land.” They include the following:


Freeborn Co. Landowners & Producers | Blue Earth, Fairbault, Mower, & Waseca SWCDs
Freeborn Co. Environmental Services | Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance (GBERBA)
Freeborn Co. Board of Commissioners | Cedar River, Turtle Creek & Shell Rock River Watershed Districts
Mn. Department of Natural Resources (MN-DNR) | Ducks Unlimited | Pheasants Forever
Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) | USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
Minnesota Board of Water & Soil Resources | USDA - Farm Service Agency (FSA)
Minnesota Pollution Control (MPCA) | USFish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)

We hereby submit the following Annual Report of Freeborn County Soil and Water Conservation Activities for calendar year 2024.

Christopher Dahl, Chairman

NOMINATION DISTRICTS



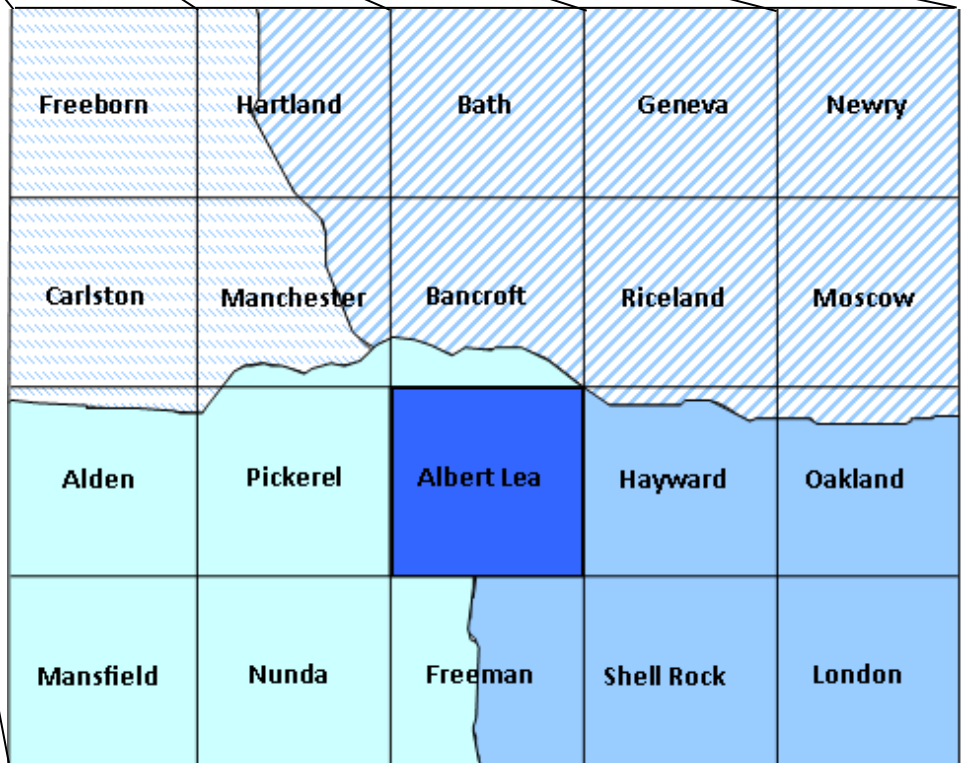
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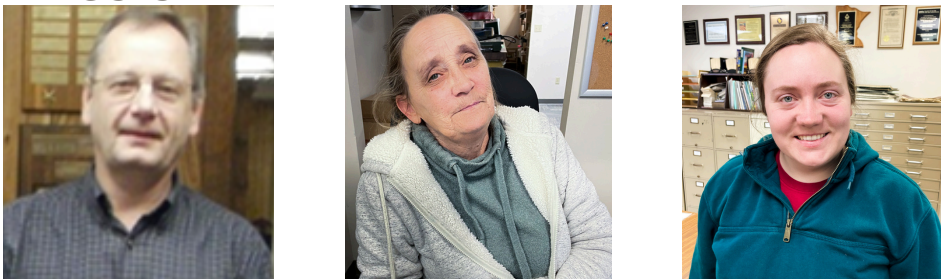
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2024 HIGHLIGHTS

2024 Outstanding Conservationists

On Wednesday, December 3rd, 2024, the Bangert Family Farms were honored at the Minnesota Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts Annual Convention and Tradeshow in Bloomington, MN.

The Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District is proud to recognize the Bangert Family Farms LP, operated by Norman and Pat Bangert, along with their sons Ben, Adam, Erik, and their families, as their 2024 Outstanding Conservationists.

In 1939 Norman's father purchased the farm where Norman grew up farming corn, soybeans, and hay. After the farm transitioned to Norman in the '90s, he decided to try no-till to save time when his family went to work and school. When no-till proved successful with healthier soils, they began incorporating cover crops into their acres in the early 2000s. Elsewhere on their farm, they've implemented windbreaks, filter strips, CRP, and are MAWQCP Certified.



Norman and Pat Bangert with their sons and grandsons.

Currently, the fourth generation of Bangerts are learning about the hard work and resiliency it takes to farm. The grandchildren can be found at the farm helping bale hay, plant and harvest the crops, and the myriad of other tasks that comes with farming. It is clear that the Bangerts are happiest when working together on the farm.



Chad Billat, Senja Viktora, and Dave Ausen stand outside the State Capitol.

Legislative Briefing & Day at the Capitol

The Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District visited the Minnesota State Capitol on March 12th and 13th to engage with legislators about conservation efforts and priorities for Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs) statewide.

A key message was the need to increase SWCD Aid from \$12 million to \$16 million per year starting in 2025, following a reduction in funding. This increase will support future planning and soil and water quality goals.

We also emphasized the importance of preserving infrastructure on Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) wetland easements, requesting \$1 million for maintenance assessment and \$3 million for urgent repairs due to aging structures.

Additionally, we proposed a policy change to allow SWCDs to acquire loans.

We met with Representative Peggy Bennett and thanked her for her support, discussing our key messages and concerns about increased state spending. Later, we met with Senator Gene Dornink, who expressed interest in our programs and provided his contact information to arrange a tour of our work in Freeborn County.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

Annual Tree Sale

The Freeborn County Soil & Water Conservation District's annual tree program provides local, urban, and rural landowners an opportunity to obtain good quality trees at an affordable price. The SWCD offers 20+ species of trees that are suited for conservation practices such as shelterbelts and wildlife plantings. Along with trees, the SWCD offers native plant packs, tree mats, fertilizer, and tree tubes to help increase planting success. For large shelterbelts or windbreak plantings, the SWCD has a tree planter available for rent. The SWCD offers landowners planning assistance that includes site specific tree species recommendations, spacing recommendations, and maintenance advice.



Mark Trnka and Lindsey Cornell work on bundling trees for customers.

Freeborn SWCD sold a total of 11,152 trees and shrubs in 2024, this in a decrease of 2,313 trees from 2023. The top variety of trees sold were Black Hill Spruce, Meyer Spruce, Redosier Dogwood, Eastern Red Cedar, and Common Purple Lilac. We sold about 500 more potted trees than bare root stock. For a third year in a row we offered Minnesota Native Landscapes Plant Packs and sold a total of 33 packs. The packs consists of 36 plants containing 6 different species. Each of the trees and plants sold will provide financial, aesthetic, wildlife, soil, water, and air quality benefits for years to come. Trees were delivered to the Freeborn County Fairgrounds, packaged, and made available for pick up the week of April 24th-28th, 2024.

Volunteer Rain Gauge Network

2024 FREEBORN Monthly Precipitation, Totals																						
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24	101N	19W	35		SWCD				3.95	6.44	11.11	3.98	3.94	1.34								26.81
24	101N	20W	17		SWCD	.77	.18	2.56	3.95	7.08	10.55	3.09	6.20	1.63	.93	2.56	1.21	44.58	42.82	40.71		28.55
24	101N	23W	8		SWCD	.20	.28	2.58	5.46	8.86	11.03	3.46	5.30	1.27	.91	2.84	1.19	44.65	42.97	43.38		29.92
24	102N	19W	25		SWCD				3.41	5.36	11.55	3.76	4.08	1.60								26.35
24	102N	20W	8		SWCD		.26	2.61	4.60	6.12	15.44	6.90	9.53	1.22	1.30	2.66						39.21
24	102N	21W	8		SWCD							6.09	4.96									
24	102N	21W	16	ALBERT L	NWS	.45	.20	2.78	4.36	6.47	11.99	2.71	5.74	.89	.88	2.84	1.15	42.97	41.71	40.46		27.80
24	102N	21W	16		SWCD	.70	.20	1.70	3.94	6.26	11.08	3.94	5.92	1.04	1.45			42.46	41.30			28.24
24	102N	21W	16		SWCD	.41	.17	1.63	2.97	6.09	10.92	4.15	5.65	1.10	.76	2.41		38.95	38.11			27.91
24	102N	21W	17		SWCD	.89	.73	2.26	4.36	6.67	9.34	4.79	6.34	.91	1.01	3.42						28.05
24	102N	22W	10		SWCD				2.45	4.85	7.70	12.95	4.85	4.95	.90	1.20						31.35
24	102N	23W	36		SWCD	1.40	.08	2.34	4.59	6.90	12.12	3.78	5.87	.83	1.04	2.94		44.41	42.69			29.50
24	103N	19W	1		SWCD				4.06	5.71	11.55	2.89	6.18	1.24	.80							27.57
24	104N	22W	9		SWCD	.30	.56	3.20	3.20	7.13	11.69	3.75	6.78	.33	.94	3.15		45.53	43.42			29.68
24	104N	22W	35		SWCD				5.44	7.54	11.11	4.89	6.07									
24	104N	23W	36		SWCD				* 4.14	7.44	13.14	3.75	6.75	.36	1.02	3.24						31.44
county averages						.64	.30	2.41	4.22	6.78	11.70	4.17	5.89	1.05	1.02	2.90	1.18	43.36	41.86	41.52		29.46
# of obs						8	9	10	15	15	15	16	16	14	12	9	3	7	7		3	14

The State Climatology Network helps sponsor our local rain gauge reporting program. We have 16 dedicated volunteers that take daily rain totals, tally them up, and send them in to our office. Our staff then records these totals on the State Climatology web site. <https://climateapps.dnr.state.mn.us/hidenannual/>

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

Freeborn County Fair Booth

The 2024 Freeborn County Fair ran from Tuesday, July 30th through Sunday, August 4th, 2024. This year's display focused on 'Wind Erosion'. Informational posters were created that described:

- What is Wind Erosion
- Processes of Wind Erosion
- 1930's Dust Bowl
- Factors that Increase Wind Erosion
- Using Windbreaks, Vegetation and Management to Fight Wind Erosion

New this year was a children's activity. A Water Cycle Bracelet was available to take home or do with a member of staff at the fair. Staff helped approximately 50 children make bracelets during their time at the fair and nearly 150 Water Cycle Bracelet activities were taken home by visitors.



Water Cycle Bracelets were available for visitors to take home.



High school first place winners: Northfield 1

Southeast Area Envirothon

The 2024 Southeast Area Envirothon took place on May 1st at the Byron Sportsman and Conservation Club near Byron, MN. There were 11 high school teams and five junior high teams that competed. For high school Northfield 1 received 1st place, Winona Cotter received 2nd place, & Goodhue Black received 3rd. For junior high Goodhue Middle School 7B received 1st place, Goodhue Middle School 7A received 2nd place and Goodhue Middle School 8th received 3rd place. The top three high school teams advanced to the state competition held in Finland, MN on May 15th, 2023.

Freeborn Area Soil Health Team

The Freeborn Area Soil Health Team is an active soil health promotional group consisting of agency professionals, ag businesses, local farmers, banks, and other ag professionals with interest in soil health. The team's goal is to facilitate local collaboration that encourages, educates, and demonstrates how to improve our soil health and water quality while improving productivity, profitability, and sustainability of our natural resources.



Audience members of the Soil Health Winter Workshop in February 2024.

2024 was a very active year for our area pertaining to soil health educational events. In February of 2024, the soil health team partnered with many surrounding SWCDs on the HWY-14 soil health tour in Owatonna, where Carolyn King and Martin Larsen were able to speak to around 120 attendees. The event was held at Torey's Restaurant. Then in September 2024, the team held an equipment showcase event where equipment was demonstrating in the field pertaining to soil health. Towards the end of the year the team began planning for the 2025 HWY-14 soil health tour.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

Cost Share Update

Landowners were paid a total of \$265,208.20 in cost share dollars in calendar year 2024. Practices installed included:

Cover Crops..... **18 Contracts Implemented & Paid**

Grassed Waterway..... **1 Structure Installed & Paid**

Prairie Strip Incentive..... **5 Contracts Paid**

Water & Sediment Control Basins..... **6 Structures Installed & Paid**

Well Sealing..... **14 Contracts Completed & Paid**

These practices were implemented with the helps of funds from the State Cost-Share Program, Soil Health Cost-Share Program, Buffer Law Funds, Cedar/Wapsipinicon Watershed Implementation Funds and Shell Rock Winnebago Watershed Implementation Funds.

Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance (GBERBA)

The Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance (GBERBA) is a joint powers organization consisting of ten Counties and SWCDs in the Blue Earth, Le Sueur, and Watonwan River Watersheds. GBERBA helps facilitate the sharing of ideas among local government units (LGUs) through technical meetings, policy meetings, and guest speakers.

With 1W1P funding on the table for many SWCD's, agencies, and partners GBERBA has shifted their focus to administering plans through the joint powers organization. Currently the Freeborn SWCD is not participating in a plan administered by GBERBA. However, GBERBA does have a soil health grant that is being implemented. There is a website being created to allow for farmers to access other soil health farms to watch short videos about what farmers are doing. This webpage is available to farmers in Freeborn County.

One Watershed One Plan (1W1P)

2024 made for another very busy year for the Freeborn County SWCD in the One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) work.

Cedar-Wapsipinicon River Watershed: Year four marked the close of the second implementation grant and work began on the third grant. Many acres of cover crops were applied, technical assistance was provided for structural practices, abandoned wells sealed, and CRP incentive projects completed. We have made great progress with getting conservation on the ground in the Cedar-Wapsi watershed!

Shell Rock/Winnebago Watershed: In 2024 we continued to work on implementation within the watersheds. Projects installed include: many acres of cover crops, CRP incentive projects, and well sealings.

Le Sueur River Watershed: In 2024 the LeSueur Watershed received its first grant. Many projects were completed across the watershed in 2024. However, there have not been any projects in Freeborn County yet.

Blue Earth River Watershed: In 2024 many agencies continued to gather creating the plan in the Blue Earth River Watershed. The plan creation will continue through 2025 with implementation to follow shortly after.

Cannon River Watershed: For the Cannon watershed in Freeborn County, we decided to opt out of that plan due to the small amount of watershed located in the county. However, we have been able to continue to partner with the Rice SWCD and Steele SWCD to hold a soil health event to utilize some of those funds.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

Conservation Easements

Freeborn Conservation Easements

Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM)

We had several new RIM easements approved for funding this year. We had our first RIM One Watershed One Plan, RIM Riparian and Floodplain Restoration, and RIM Riparian and Floodplain Working Lands easements approved for funding in Freeborn County totaling approximately 160 acres. We had three new RIM Wetland applications approved for funding totaling approximately 80 acres. We also opened our local cost share to be eligible for brush management when no other funding is available. We had our first contract of brush management completed on approximately 40 acres.

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)

Construction was completed on two CREP easements of approximately 75 acres. We closed and recorded one CREP easement of approximately 130 acres. There was native seeding completed/vegetation established on one CREP easement of approximately 50 acres. Restoration was completed on two RIM/CREP easements of approximately 75 acres (construction completed/vegetation established). Also, three new CREP easement application were approved for funding of approximately 100 acres. For site preparation for our native seedings we planted approximately 200 acres of cover crops that will be seeded to native grasses and forbs in 2025.

Steel Conservation Easements (Assisted by Freeborn SWCD)

Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM)

We had two new RIM Wetlands easements approved for funding of approximately 90 acres. We closed one RIM Wetland easement of approximately 72 acres. For site preparation for our native seedings we planted approximately 60 acres of cover crops that will be seeded to native grasses and forbs in 2025.

We put in a request for a conservation cooperative for working lands grant through Pheasants Forever, which we were awarded the maximum amount of \$30,000. This money was used to reimburse the work we complete to get these easements signed up, closed, and restored.

Easement Type	Number of Easements (Freeborn County)	Acres
Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM): Riparian Easements	5	320
Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM): Marginal Agricultural Land Easements	6	90
Permanent Wetland Preserve (PWP) Easement	11	220
Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM): Wetland Restoration Easements	15	380
Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)	19	610
Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP II)	13	560
Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP III)	30	2,120
Wetland Reserve Program (WRP) Wetland Restoration Easements	44	2,855
RIM/WRP Wetland Restoration Easements	51	4,075
Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Easements	5	250
Total:	199	11,480 Acres

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

Minnesota Buffer Law

Freeborn SWCD continued working with landowners to help them ensure they were complying with the Minnesota Buffer Law and to help bring those out of compliance into compliance with the Law. Alternative practices were taken into consideration for specific landowners, which included using filter strips, reduced tillage (no till or strip till) and cover crops, side inlet drainage, and negative slopes on the ditch bank.

SWCD staff is completing yearly monitoring on a third (1/3) of the parcels that are impacted by the buffer law. Landowners out of compliance with the buffer law can contact SWCD staff to work towards compliance, otherwise the county will send out enforcement action letters. Freeborn SWCD helps landowners stay in compliance, Freeborn County is the regulatory agency for the Buffer Law.

Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program (MAWQCP)

MAWQCP takes a whole farm approach to conservation and improving water quality by assessing all owned and rented tracts and evaluating them on various categories. Producers who become certified are guaranteed Ag Certainty, which is 10 years where they are deemed in compliance with any new State water quality regulations. The program is non-regulatory, and certification is completed on a voluntary basis. A signed application is an invitation for staff to contact the producer and from that initial contact a meeting is set up to gather the relevant information. Financial and technical assistance are available for certified and producers actively pursuing certification.

There were a total of 14 new certifications and 5 re-certifications for the SE Region in 2024. One new certification was in Freeborn County. This brings our total to 383 MAWQCP Certified Farms in the SE Region, with another 99 applications in progress at the end of 2024.



There were a total of 44 reviews conducted in the SE region in 2024. Eight of those reviews took place in Freeborn County.

Capacity Funding

In 2024 the Capacity Funding continued to help assist landowners with cost share. Capacity funding also kept staff busy with project inspections, CRP plans, tree customers, soil health, buffer assistance, and water planning. Our Great Plains 1006NT drill was again put to good use and seeded approximately 130 acres of native prairie mix, pasture grass, alfalfa, and cover crops. The SWCD again thanks legislators for the capacity funding as it has allowed Freeborn SWCD to take a big step toward meeting our goals and accomplishing our mission.



NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS) UPDATE

REPORTED BY LEANNA SMEBY | AGRONOMIST



CONSERVATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (CTA) AND CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

Environmental Quality Incentive Program: Out of eighteen (18) applicants, six (6) conservation plans were developed, and four (4) were accepted for financial assistance in FY 2024 for EQIP totaling \$108,121.24 in obligations.

Conservation Stewardship Program: Five (5) Classic CSP Applications and Two (2) CSP renewal applications were approved in Freeborn for a total of \$204,933 were obligated for a 5-year period.

Conservation Reserve Program: Fifty-one (51) CRP plans were completed for re-enrollments and new enrollments by NRCS staff. NRCS Completed one hundred twenty-four (124) on-site eligibility investigations for continuous CRP practices such as windbreaks, grassed waterways, filter strips, native habitat for pollinators, and wetland restoration for CRP expiring in 2025. (see FSA)

Outreach: Coordinated the outreach and preparation of a local work group meeting for Freeborn County SWCD in June 2024. Attended Albert Lea High School Career Fair in conjunction with SWCD and FSA.

PRACTICES	PLANNED IN 2024	APPLIED IN 2024	EXPENDED FUNDS 2024
EQIP: Cover Crops	1,040.8 ac	1,040.8 ac	\$53,586.80
EQIP: Grassed Waterways/Mulching	0 ac	0 ac	\$0
EQIP: Subsurface Drain	0 ft.	0 ft.	\$0
EQIP: Seasonal High Tunnel for Crops	3 ea.	3 ea.	\$64,584.00
EQIP: Residue Management: No-Till/Strip Till/Mulch Till	744.6 ac.	744.6 ac.	\$8,472.40
EQIP: Brush Management	6.0 ac.	6.0 ac	\$3,614.30
EQIP: Waste Facility Closure	1 ea.	1 ea.	\$36,711.04
EQIP: Water Wells	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
EQIP: Heavy Use Area Protection	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
EQIP: Grade Stabilization Structures	0 ea.	0 ea.	\$0
CSP: Nutrient Management and Associated Enhancements	9,685.9 ac	9,685.90 ac	\$118,702.00
CSP: Pest Management and Associated Enhancements	18,141.9 ac	18,141.9 ac	\$224,346.00
CSP: Cover Crops and Associated Enhancements	1910.6 ac	1910.6 ac	\$34,087.00
CSP: Reduced Tillage Enhancements	1,447.8 ac	1,447.8 ac	\$7,703.00
CRP: CP-4D:Permanent Wildlife Habitat	0 ac.	0 ac.	----
CRP: CP-5A: Field Windbreak	0 ac.	0 ac.	----
CRP: CP-8: Grassed Waterways	0 ac.	0 ac.	----
CRP: CP-16: Farmstead Windbreaks/Shelterbelts	0 ac.	0 ac.	----
CRP: CP-21: Filter Strips	0 ac.	0 ac.	----
CRP: CP-22: Riparian Buffer	0 ac.	0 ac.	----
CRP: CP-23A: Wetland Restoration	198.33 ac	198.33 ac	----
CRP: CP-38E: SAFE Acres-Wildlife Habitat-Grass	199.88 ac.	199.88 ac.	----
CRP: CP-42: Pollinator Habitat	3.64 ac.	3.64 ac.	----
CRP: CP-43: Prairie Strip	47.74 ac.	47.74 ac.	----
Engineering Requests Submitted			
TOTAL UNITS/FUNDS FOR 2024 CRP:	1022 Contracts	11,639.44 ac.	\$3,403,297.00
TOTAL UNITS/FUNDS EXPENDED FOR 2024 EQIP:	See Above	See Above	\$173,810.60
TOTAL/UNITS/FUNDS EXPENDED FOR 2024 CSP:	See Above	See Above	\$511,780.00

REVENUES & EXPENSES

Freeborn County
Revenues & Expenses
January Through December 2024
(Unaudited)

Jan - Dec 24

Revenue

Charges for Services	\$ 201,960.21
Intergovernmental Rev - County	\$ 189,247.09
Intergovernmental Rev - State	\$ 361,895.64
Misc. Revenue Intrest	\$ 22,571.94
Misc. Other Revenue	\$ 1,500.00
Total Revenue	\$ 777,174.88

Expense

Dist.Op. Capital Outlay	\$ 40,768.38
Dist.Op. Services & Charges	\$ 69,532.36
Dist. Op. Personnel Services	\$ 424,851.57
Dist. Op. Supplies	\$ 833.77
Project Expense - SWCD	\$ 61,137.30
Project Expense - State	\$ 122,322.10
Total Expense	\$ 719,445.48

Net Income \$ 57,729.40