## Conservation Practices

Contour Strip Crop.	40 Ac
Contour Buffer Strips	60Ac
Nutrient Management	734 Ac
StreamCrossing	2 No.
Access Road	3230 Ft
Rip-rap	7300 Ft
Well Decommissioning	7 No.
Spring Development	3 No.
Manure Storage	2 No.
Manure Storage Closure	l No.
Forestry Practices	40 Contracts
(Timber Stand Improvement, Brush Management, Forest Trails & Landings)	

These practices were installed with assistance from the Land Conservation Department and the Natural Resources Conservation Service field office.

#### Money Received by Richland County Landowners

Farmland Preservation Tax Credit \$561,747.00

State Cost-share \$239,680.00

Federal Cost-share \$609,000.00

### Before



After



## Willow Creek Stream Bank Protection

This site along Willow Creek was severely eroding with steep banks. The bank have been shaped, rocked partway up, covered with soil, seeded and mulched



### RICHLAND COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

### **2013 Annual Report**

Land Conservation Committee Paul Kinney– Chair Larry Sebranek– Vice Chair Don Seep– Secretary **Richard Rasmussen Gary Peters** Norm Fruit– FSA Randy Heims-FSA Alternate Duane Klang– FSA Alternate Land Conservation Department Cathy Cooper– County Conservationist Tammy Cannoy-Bender—Secretary Ken Anderson– Conservation Tech Kent Marshall– Conservation Planner **Natural Resources Conservation** Service Carlton Peterson-District Conservationist Todd Cockroft– Technician Jean Vodak– Intermittant

# 2013 Annual Report-Land Conservation Department

The Land Conservation Department (LCD) and Land Conservation Committee (LCC) assist landowners to improve and protect the natural resources of Richland County. The Land Conservation Department and Committee work with other government agencies and conservation groups to achieve this goal. They include UW-Extension, Natural **Resources Conservation Service** (NRCS), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Department of Agricultural, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP),, Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Trout Unlimited. The LCD and NRCS field office work hard to provide a seamless delivery of programs. Much of the work that is reported in this annual report is completed in conjuncion with NRCS field office staff.



Conservation Farmer Award winners, Sue and Joe Triggs.

#### Mill Creek Watershed

- $\Rightarrow \ \, {\rm Completed} \ \, {\rm Annual} \ \, {\rm Inspection}$
- $\Rightarrow$  Removed brush from dams
- $\Rightarrow$  Painted risers

#### Wildlife Damage

- $\Rightarrow$  Administered program
- $\Rightarrow$  Contracted for Technical Assistance

#### **Farmland Preservation**

- ⇒ Assisted landowners in completing new agreement applications
- $\Rightarrow \mbox{ Mailed 455 self-certification post-cards} \\$
- $\Rightarrow$  Completed 100 status reviews

#### Manure Storage Ordinance

 $\Rightarrow$  3 Manure Storage permits issued

#### Land & Water Resource Management

#### $\Rightarrow$ Grassed Waterway

- $\Rightarrow$  Well Abandonment
- $\Rightarrow$  Streambank Protection
- $\Rightarrow$  Spring Development
- $\Rightarrow$  Nutrient Management Plans
- $\Rightarrow$  Grade Stabilization Structure
- $\Rightarrow$  Access Road

#### Tree Sales

 $\Rightarrow$  49 landowners ordered 5525 trees

#### **Educational Activities**

- ⇒ Conservation Field Days with 275 students from 5 schools
- $\Rightarrow$  County Fair Display

All of these educational activities were completed with UW-Extension and NRCS.

#### **Other Activities**

- ⇒ Managed Ash Creek Community Forest
- $\Rightarrow$  Investigated complaints
- $\Rightarrow$  Advised landowners on conservation activities
- ⇒ Worked on Willow Creek Japanese Knotweed project
- ⇒ Applied for Notice of Discharge grant



Forestry Award Winners Vincent, Jane and Doug Duren



Wildlife Award Lori and Ed Martin