

2016 Annual Report

RICHLAND COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT



CONSERVATION FIELD DAYS

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

LARRY SEBRANEK— CHAIR
 GARY PETERS— VICE CHAIR
 PAUL KINNEY
 MARILYN MARSHALL
 STEVE WILLIAMSON
 RANDY HEIMS— FSA
 DENNIS FULLER— FSA ALTERNATE
 JOHN TURGASEN— FSA ALTERNATE

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

CATHY COOPER— COUNTY
 CONSERVATIONIST
 TAMMY CANNON-BENDER—SECRETARY
 KEN ANDERSON— CONSERVATION
 TECHNICIAN
 KENT MARSHALL— CONSERVATION
 PLANNER/TECHNICIAN

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

CARLTON PETERSON—DISTRICT
 CONSERVATIONIST
 TODD COCKROFT— TECHNICIAN
 JEAN KURSAVE—TECHNICIAN

CONSERVATION PRACTICES

Contour Strip Crop.	Ac
Contour Buffer Strips	Ac
Nutrient Management	2800 Ac
Grade Stabilization	4 No.
Access Road	1250 Ft
Rip-rap	2400 Ft
Well Decommissioning	5 No.
Grass Waterway	Ft
Spring Development	2 No.
Watering Facility	2 No.

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



CONTOUR STRIPS



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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) 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 conjunction with NRCS field office staff.

Mill Creek Watershed

- ⇒ Completed Annual Inspection
- ⇒ Removed brush from dams

Wildlife Damage

- ⇒ Administered program
- ⇒ Contracted for Technical Assistance

Farmland Preservation

- ⇒ Issued 39 Certificates of Compliance
- ⇒ Mailed 494 self-certification letters
- ⇒ Completed 103 status reviews

Land & Water Resource Management

- ⇒ Grassed Waterway
- ⇒ Wall Abandonment
- ⇒ Streambank Protection
- ⇒ Spring Development
- ⇒ Nutrient Management Plans
- ⇒ Grade Stabilization Structure
- ⇒ Access Road

Tree Sales

- ⇒ 43 landowners ordered 4,250 trees



SEPTEMBER 2016 FLOODING

Educational Activities

- ⇒ Conservation Poster Contest- 95 Participants
- ⇒ Conservation Field Days with 260 students from 5 schools
- ⇒ County Fair Display

All of these educational activities were completed with DNR Forestry and NRCS.

Other Activities

- ⇒ Managed Ash Creek Community Forest
- ⇒ Investigated complaints
- ⇒ Advised landowners on conservation activities
- ⇒ Managed Japanese Knotweed Control project on Willow Creek



SEPTEMBER FLOODING AT MILL
CREEK STRUCTURE 9A-DOSCH DAM