

Todd SWCD Plan of Action

2020 Objective: Improving & Protecting Water Quality Through Soil Health

Targeted Initiatives: *Through what means will the objective be achieved throughout 2020?* *(Assigned to.....?)*

#1- Leadership in Public Protection

- Incorporate at least one soil health topic into the 2020 Feedlot Meeting (*Feedlot Program*)
- Explore partnering with the Soil Health Coalition– a farmer led organization promoting soil health (*Supervisory & Management Level*)
- Obtain Technical Staff Job Approval Authority in Cover Crops (*Technical Staff*)
- Focus media coverage on soil health principles in articles, newsletters, radio ads & talk shows (*all*)
- Apply for One Watershed One Plan for the Long Prairie River watershed not excluding ways in which surface waters, wells, and drinking water can be protected through soil health best management practices. (*Management*)

#1- Funding Concerns

- Apply for a 2020 Cover Crop grant (*Management Level*)
- Revamp the score sheet to assign higher points to cost share practices that improve or promote soil health throughout 2020 (*Management Level*)

#2- Soil Health & Surface Waters

- Develop the Environmental Assessment of Riparian Terrestrial Health– a.k.a. The EARTH Program– aligning with soil health principles for residential areas. Goal : 2021 Implementation. See attachment A. (*Management Level*)
- Create a holistic farm framework for site visits to be implemented in 2020. See attachment B.

#3- Soil Health & Ground water

- Participate in outreach efforts for the CLC Demonstration Irrigation Grant. Attachment C. (*Technical Staff*)
- Participate in the RCPP Irrigation Grant through dedicated in kind match obligations. Attachment D. (*Technical Staff*)

#4- Soil Health & Livestock

- Create a holistic farm framework for site visits that includes discussions on the conversion or adaptation of agricultural land to productive pasture and the value of adding covers to row crops for late and early season grazing (*Technical Staff*)

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Conservation, Protection, and Enhancement of Todd County's Natural Resources.

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