

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS)

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST'S MONTHLY REPORT

6/11/2025

PERSONNEL/OFFICE

- The Lancaster and Cass County Service Centers are under normal operations.
- Lincoln NRCS Resource Conservationist - VACANT
- Lincoln NRCS Soil Conservation Technician – VACANT
- Weeping Water NRCS Soil Conservationist - VACANT

LPSNRD LAND TREATMENT

- Current soil moisture conditions are variable across the district; staff are conducting soil moisture evaluations on all projects prior to construction. Projects are being released on a site-by-site basis; some may be withheld due to inadequate soil moisture conditions.
- Staff are finalizing documentation for payment of the remaining Fall 2024 cover crop applications.
- LPSNRD currently has the following active or completed land treatment cost-share program applications:
 - Lancaster County
 - 2 Summer 2025 Structural Applications
 - 2 Fall 2025 Structural Applications
 - Cass County
 - 5 Summer 2025 Structural Applications
 - 6 Fall 2025 Structural Applications

USDA PROGRAMS

- Technicians are checking completed projects, preparing for spring/summer projects, and doing frequent soil moisture monitoring for planned construction.
- Planning staff are finishing FY25 EQIP and CSP application contracting and certifying completed practices on existing contracts.
- Staff are wrapping up 2025 Food Security Act Compliance Reviews.
- Staff are beginning to conduct CRP site visits/status reviews.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 6/19/25 – Offices closed in observance of the Juneteenth Holiday
- 6/20/25 – Conservation Stewardship Program Renewal Application Deadline
- 7/4/25 – Offices closed in observance of Independence Day Holiday

Tom Cowan – District Conservationist