

## **NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS)**

### **DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST'S MONTHLY REPORT**

**5/14/2025**

#### **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 field verifying termination of Fall 2024 cover crop applications and processing for payment.
- LPSNRD currently has the following active or completed land treatment cost-share program applications:
  - Lancaster County
    - 2 Summer 2025 Structural Applications
    - 1 Fall 2025 Structural Applications
  - Cass County
    - 4 Summer 2025 Structural Applications
    - 1 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 contracting FY25 EQIP and CSP applications and certifying completed practices.
- Staff are conducting Food Security Act Compliance Reviews.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- CRP General Signup – Deadline 6/6/25
- CRP Continuous Signup (1<sup>st</sup> round) – Deadline 6/6/25

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