

CASS COUNTY
CASS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
LOCAL WATER RESOURCES
PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

2012 WORK PLAN AND BUDGET

IN COOPERATION WITH:

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
MINNESOTA BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES
MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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CASS SWCD MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Cass Soil and Water Conservation District to provide leadership and technical assistance to landowners and cooperating agencies in the wise use, conservation, and management of Cass County's natural resources.

DISTRICT SUPERVISORS AND STAFF

District Board:

Tom Kuschel, Chairman
Ken LaPorte, Vice Chairman
Jim Ballenthin, Secretary
J. David Harder, Treasurer
Will Pehling, Member

District Staff**:

John Ringle, District Manager
Brenda Davis, Clerk
Bob Wright, Technician
Kelly Condiff, Technician and Shoreline Specialist

**--Cass SWCD has a service agreement with the Cass County Environmental Services Department for employee services.

SUMMARY

Cass County's Comprehensive Local Water Planning serves as the workplan for the Cass SWCD. That plan lists education & information, monitoring & data collection, inventory & mapping, land & water treatment, and regulation & ordinance activities to be undertaken in 2012 and/or carried over from 2011. A full copy of the Cass County Comprehensive Local Water Plan is available on our website at: http://www.co.cass.mn.us/esd/pdfs/comprehensive_plan.pdf

COST-SHARE FUNDS NEEDED

HIGH PRIORITY EROSION PROBLEMS

Shoreline Erosion	35,000
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HIGH PRIORITY SEDIMENTATION PROBLEMS

Residential Development Stormwater Control	15,000
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<u>SMALL WOODLOT MANAGEMENT FOR WILDLIFE</u>	8,000
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TOTAL	\$58,000
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HIGH PRIORITY AREA DESIGNATIONS

HIGH PRIORITY EROSION

Areas where erosion from wind or water is occurring on Class I-IV soils equal to or in excess of 2 X T tons per acre per year or any area within 300 feet of a water course or within 1000 feet of a water basin or wetland eroding by water in excess of T tons per acre per year. Highest priority will be given to lakes, wetlands, or water courses classified by the Department of Natural Resources as impaired waters and secondarily, protected waters of the State. The Cass SWCD receive a competitive Grant from the BWSR Clan Water Fund to conduct an erosion control project on Buxton Road between Mann and Mckeowen Lakes and two Shoreland Buffer projects on Ten Mile and Roosevelt Lakes in 2011-2012.

HIGH PRIORITY SEDIMENTATION

Areas within 300 feet of a water course or 1000 feet of a lake or wetland where the water erosion rate exceeds three tons per acre per year or areas where the district can show that sediment delivery occurs from the watershed or direct conveyance such as a storm sewer or impervious surface discharging to these waters. Highest priority will be given to lakes, wetlands, or water courses classified by the Department of Natural Resources as protected waters of the State.

SMALL WOODLOT MANAGEMENT FOR WILDLIFE

Cost-share funding is available to assist small woodlot owners, non-industrial private forests less than 20 acres, to develop a forest management plan to increase habitat value for wildlife. A small grant from the Ruffed Grouse Society is being used to assist with plan development by a contracted private forester. Upon completion, the Cass SWCD will assist with finding additional cost-share funding to implement small woodlot timber stand improvement practices such as selective harvest, thinning, brush shearing, and selective planting to benefit wildlife.

BUDGET

Cass Soil and Water Conservation District--F.Y. 2012 Budget

Revenues

Intergovernmental

County Grant	6,250
BWSR Cost Share Grant	10,852
BWSR General Services Grant	<u>18,330</u>
Total Intergovernmental	\$35,432

Miscellaneous

Well Monitoring	\$ 480
Interest	930
Miscellaneous Reimb.	<u>124,633</u>
Total Miscellaneous	\$ 126,043

Total Revenues	\$ 161,475
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Expenditures

District Operations

Supervisor Services	\$ 12,758
Professional Services	11,710
Other Services & Charges	<u>0</u>
Total Dist. Operations	\$ 24,468

Project Expenditures

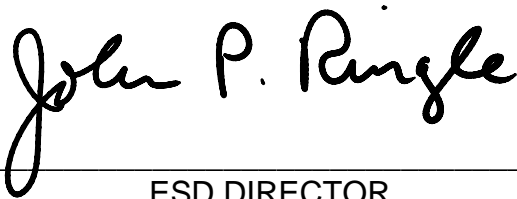
Education	\$ 4,000
Cost Share	10,852
Misc Expenses	1,650
Fees Dues Subscriptions	4,300
Office Expenses	710
Misc projects	112,923
Insurance	<u>2,500</u>
Total Project Expenditures	\$136,935

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$161,403

Excess of Revenues
Over (under) Expenditures \$ 72

SIGNATURES

CASS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



ESD DIRECTOR

March 1, 2012

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