

Grants Funded in Calendar Year 2015

The Conservation Commission reviewed 63 grant applications requesting \$2,169,800 during calendar year 2015. As listed below \$905,505 was awarded to 44 projects.

District	Amount	Total Match	Total Cost	Project Name
Aurora	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	Conservation Awareness/Education
Aurora	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 49,031.00	\$ 72,031.00	Cover Crop/Pipeline
Aurora	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 42,348.00	\$ 69,348.00	Shelterbelts
Beadle	\$ 40,500.00	\$ 82,378.00	\$ 122,878.00	Water Quality for Livestock
Bennett	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 11,364.00	\$ 21,364.00	Bennett/Shannon Tree Planting
Bon Homme	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 46,600.00	\$ 63,600.00	Cover Crop/Tree Renovation
Bon Homme	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 22,530.00	\$ 37,530.00	Conservation Enhancements
Brule-Buffalo	\$ 33,580.00	\$ 43,120.00	\$ 76,700.00	Multi-County CD Project
Brule-Buffalo	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	Multi-County Brush Management
Butte	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 99,000.00	\$ 134,000.00	Belle Fourche Weed Rehab Phase 4
Davison	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 29,258.00	\$ 53,258.00	Cover Crop/Grazing
Davison	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 14,220.00	\$ 31,220.00	Shelterbelts
Davison	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 50,296.00	\$ 24,500.00	Grazing
Day	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 113,937.00	\$ 188,937.00	Multi-county Trees
Day	\$ 42,600.00	\$ 114,980.00	\$ 157,580.00	NE Glacial Lakes
Deuel	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	Deuel Shelterbelts
East Pennington	\$ 12,038.00	\$ 17,177.00	\$ 29,215.00	Livestock Protection Incentives
Gregory	\$ 6,975.00	\$ 6,975.00	\$ 13,950.00	Gregory County Cover Crops
Gregory	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	Gregory County Projects #2
Gregory	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	Cedar Removal
Gregory	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 74,000.00	Gregory County Projects #3
Hamlin	\$ 17,594.00	\$ 33,807.00	\$ 51,401.00	Shelterbelt Renovation
Hamlin	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 14,540.16	\$ 26,540.16	Hamlin/Codington Tree Program #3
Hanson	\$ 4,635.00	\$ 5,562.50	\$ 10,197.50	Cover Crop
Hanson	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 12,285.00	\$ 23,285.00	Shelterbelts
Hyde	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 59,246.23	\$ 119,246.23	Hyde/Hand Enhancements #4
Jackson	\$ 13,518.00	\$ 13,326.00	\$ 26,844.00	Shelterbelt Establishment/Renovation
Jones	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 49,293.74	\$ 69,293.74	Multi-practice IV
Jones	\$ 18,621.00	\$ 29,533.00	\$ 48,154.00	Shelterbelt Establishment/Renovation
Kingsbury	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 24,944.83	\$ 38,944.83	Tree Renovation
Kingsbury	\$ 8,350.00	\$ 8,325.00	\$ 16,675.00	Cover Crop
Marshall	\$ 4,144.00	\$ 4,144.00	\$ 8,288.00	Technical Assistance
Mellette	\$ 18,500.00	\$ 61,950.00	\$ 80,450.00	Multi-practice
Mellette	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,166.66	\$ 20,166.66	Trees & Healthy Soil
Miner	\$ 8,450.00	\$ 17,590.00	\$ 26,040.00	Livestock Water Quality
Miner	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 14,800.00	SD Public Awareness
Miner	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	Conservation Education
Minnehaha	\$ 17,103.00	\$ 51,310.00	\$ 68,413.00	Shelterbelt Renovations
Moody	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	Resource Technician
Perkins	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 70,546.84	\$ 122,546.84	NW Area Natural Resource Specialist
Roberts	\$ 10,997.00	\$ 19,597.00	\$ 30,594.00	Shelterbelts
Sanborn	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,408.16	\$ 20,408.16	Sanborn/Jerauld Shelterbelts
Todd	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,629.16	\$ 11,629.16	Fabricated Windbreak
Tri-County	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	Tri-county CD Windbreaks 2015
Total	\$ 905,505.00	\$ 1,463,319.28	\$ 2,368,824.28	

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Natural Resources Conservation Program Highlights



South Dakota Department of Agriculture Division of Resource Conservation & Forestry

Our mission is to conserve, protect, improve, and develop the natural resources of South Dakota. The division accomplishes this by providing advice and assistance to other state agencies and private landowners. This assistance is provided through state and federal programs.

Executive Summary Coordinated Natural Resources Conservation Fund

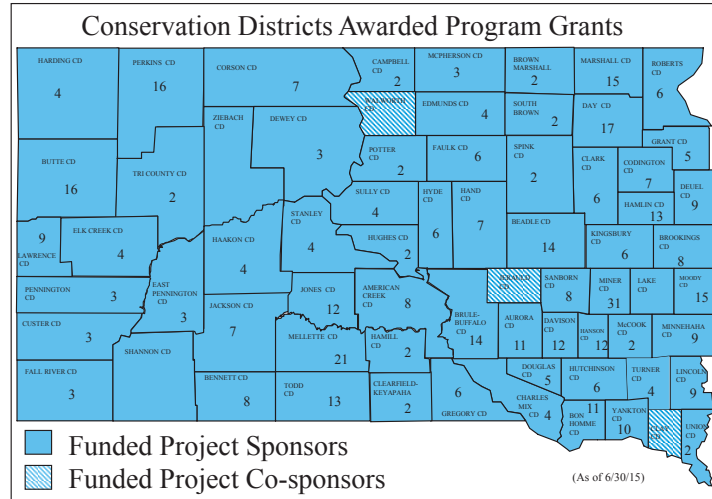
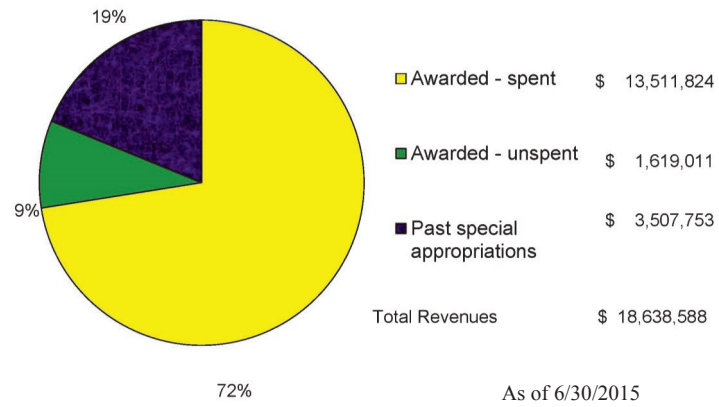
The Coordinated Natural Resources Conservation Fund was established by the State Legislature in 1992 to implement goals and objectives identified in the South Dakota Coordinated Plan for Natural Resources Conservation. The plan targets reduction of soil erosion, improvement of rangelands, and improvement of water quality and quantity, enhancement of wildlife habitat, increased public awareness of natural resources, funding, and use of renewable energy.

Funding for the Coordinated Natural Resources Conservation Fund is provided by state law SDCL 10-47B-149. This law states \$500,000 will be deposited into the Coordinated Natural Resources Conservation Fund on July 1 of each year. The Coordinated Natural Resources Conservation Fund is used to provide cost share grants to South Dakota conservation districts. Grant applications are reviewed, approved, and awarded by the State Conservation Commission. The Division of Resource Conservation and Forestry administers conservation programs on behalf of the State and the Conservation Commission.

1993—2015 Fund Disbursements and Revenue

- 476 projects funded since 1993
- \$18,849,107 awarded to 66 Conservation Districts
- Leveraged \$69,970,228 of other funds including Federal, local, and other
- Every \$1 of conservation funds was matched by \$3.71 of other funds

Coordinated Natural Resources Conservation Fund



Forestry and Farmland Water Quality Projects

1993—2015 Outcomes

Resource Affected

According to final reports from conservation districts and reports from federal, state and local entities

- 5,866,035 acres of cropland with soil erosion improved to tolerable levels
- 2,470,848 acres of rangeland in poor/fair condition improved one condition class
- Topsoil erosion cut by 52 million tons
- Forty water bodies with improved water quality

Economic Effect

According to South Dakota State University report "Impact of South Dakota Agriculture"

- 8.4% increase in crop industry output
- 2,911 new full and part time jobs- \$50 M wages
- \$376 M increase in state industrial output
- 0.98% increase in cattle production
- 643 new full and part time jobs- \$8.6 M wages
- \$67 M increase in state industrial output
- Assumed significant based on future sustainable productivity of the land and future availability of clean water for consumption and recreation.

1993—2015 Accomplishments

- 71 Cropland projects funded
- 144 Rangeland projects funded
- 44 Information & Education projects funded
- 150 Water Quality projects funded
- 62 Technical Assistance projects funded
- 5 Other projects funded



Soil health and cropland erosion control



Shelterbelt technical assistance



Information & Education



Rangeland Management

