

# North St. Louis

## Soil and Water Conservation District

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*SWCD Board Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month at Noon, no meeting in May.*



The opportunities to address water quality issues before the natural resource is impaired seems to be turning in our favor where many of the surface water grants allow protection and prevention efforts in areas like northern St. Louis County where sedimentation and other pollutants have not contaminated the diverse natural resources enough to place them on the MPCA Impaired Waters List (i.e. TMDLs). We were fortunate to receive a DNR Coastal Non-Point Grant and Clean Water Legacy dollars in FY'09 and part of the on the ground project included implementing forestry practices in the Barber/Dempsey Creek watershed. Property owners received cost-share to plant trees while improving wildlife habitat and preventing erosion adjacent to any surface waters and where soils were exposed.

## Recent Projects

### 2008 Revenue

County (includes WCA pass thru \$)	\$94,916
Interest Earnings	\$1,026
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$7,570
State Cost-Share Project funds	\$8,337
State General Svc. funds	\$24,046
Clean Water Leg. Act Grant	\$4,005
DNR Coastal Non-point Grant	\$5,500
DNR Forest Stewardship Grant	\$7,753
Barber/Dempsey Creek F&W	\$4,520
SWCD Charges for Services	\$5,638
SWCD Tree Program Rev.	\$20,348
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$183,659</b>

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

An ongoing challenge of the SWCD is maintaining trained employees to provide the technical assistance required by state mandates and local county ordinances along with the program assistance as outlined in our Annual Plan of Work. Often times this requires submitting grant applications to maintain knowledgeable employees while offering competitive wages and benefits. Grant funds supplement the annual budget's BWSR General Services Grant dollars, County funds, Wetland Conservation Act pass through funds and revenues received for services such as conservation tree sales, lake monitoring and wetland determinations.



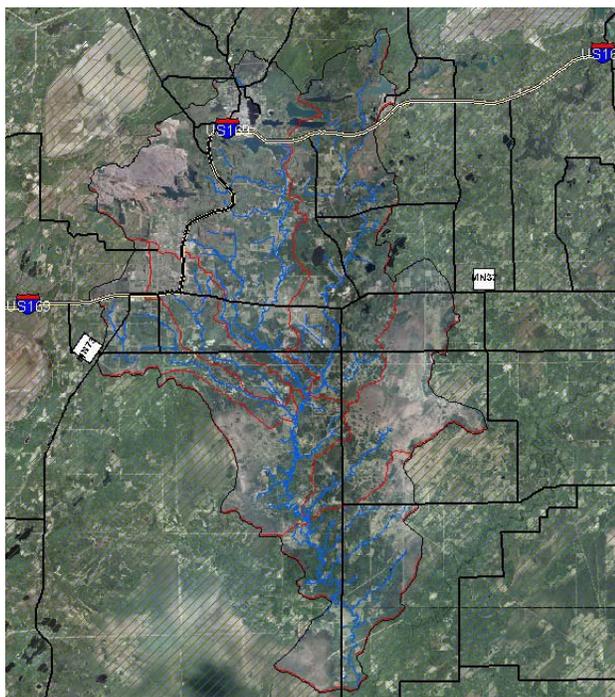
**Clean Water Legacy Act Reforestation  
Landowner Assistance in Barber- Dempsey  
Creek Watershed**

## Shoreline Restoration on Whiteface Reservoir



## Future Projects

We were awarded a Clean Water Partnership Grant for assessment of the East Swan River Watershed. Monitoring will begin next spring.



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