

Olmsted

Soil and Water Conservation District

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*SWCD Board Meeting: 4th Thursday of the
Month, Feb-Oct; 3rd Thursday of the Month,
Nov-Jan at 8 a.m.*



Top 5 Natural Resource Concerns

1. Water quality improvement
2. Reduce erosion and sediment delivery to streams
3. Stormwater management and urbanization
4. Conservation education to public
5. Work with feedlot owners to comply with MPCA feedlot regulations

2008 Revenue

Total	\$545,067
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Recent Projects

Flood recovery



Pictured: A grade stabilization structure located in Whitewater watershed in Olmsted County was repaired as part of the flood recovery effort by local-state-federal conservation partners.

Flood recovery



Olmsted SWCD provided landowners assistance for damages obtained from 14 inches of rain in August 2007. This structure, constructed in 1957 and had minor repairs in 1977, sustained substantial damage requiring replacing the principle spillway, shaping and reseeding the structure.

Wetland restored through banking program

A wetland restoration project that was included in the state wetland banking program was completed by Olmsted SWCD staff working cooperatively with a landowner and a consultant.

Hydrology and hydrophytic plant communities were successfully established by creating a unique infiltration channel system that took advantage of both the ground and surface water regime. The project restored 17.88 acres of wetlands, which provides replacement credits to be used as mitigation.

Future Projects

The Olmsted SWCD will continue completing flood recovery projects, and promoting opportunities for landowners to implement conservation best management practices.

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