

Pipestone

Soil and Water Conservation District

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*SWCD Board Meeting:
Second Thursday of each Month at 9:00 am*



Top 5 Natural Resource Concerns

1. Water Quality
2. Feedlot Runoff
3. Soil Erosion
4. Nutrient Management Planning
5. Grazing Management Practices

2008 Revenue

Program Revenues:

Charges for Services	\$35,426
Federal Grants	\$11,054
State Grants & Entitlements	\$92,809
County	\$162,774
General Revenues	\$13,998
Total:	\$316,061

Recent Projects



Feedlot Runoff Control Structure Completed in 2008

STATE COST-SHARE PROGRAM AND FEEDLOTWATER QUALITY GRANT FUNDS

Projects included the installation of 8 Sediment Control Basins from 5 contracts and 3 Ag Waste practices. Projects expenditures were \$104,083 in cost-share assistance and \$11,840 for Technical Assistance.



Pipestone County Land Cover

	Agricultural
	Forest
	Grass/Shrub/Wetland
	Water
	Impervious

AGRICULTURAL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES LOAN PROGRAM

Approximately \$176,000.00 of low interest loans were issued to 7 producers who implemented non-point source reduction projects. Projects included Ag wastes, SSTS updates, and no-till equipment purchases.

LOCAL WATER MANAGEMENT

Pipestone County Promotes Conservation Education through the Prairie Ecology Bus. Funds were utilized by area school to host the bus. Program dollars were utilized to provide 50% cost-share assistance to seal 28 abandoned wells, and assist in BMP projects.

Clean Water Legacy grant applications were submitted for both the Pipestone Creek and Rock River watersheds TMDL's.



Pipestone Creek

FEEDLOT DELEGATION

Pipestone County is delegated by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) to oversee and manage feedlots. Accomplishments included: 120 onsite compliance inspections, 5 interim, 5 construction short form permits issued, and 3 complaints were filed. Local producer manure management training was also held in which approx 40 producers attended. We also continue to assist local producers with manure spreader calibration each year.

2009 Board Members

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COUNTY WIDE RECYCLING COLLECTIONS



Inside view of the Pipestone County Recycling Center

In 2008 we began to offer free monthly residential electronic, appliance, fluorescent bulb / ballast, empty pesticide container, and lead acid battery recycling collections. In the same year we also held three house hold hazardous waste collections to clean up the environment. The amount of material that was recycled amounted to 35 tons of electronics, 8,400 lbs. of hazardous material, 6,635 florescent bulbs, and an estimated 200 major household appliances.

With the popular demand of the program the number of materials recycled in 2009 has dramatically increased.

Future Projects

- *REINVEST IN MINNESOTA (RIM)*
- *CLEAN WATER AMENDMENT FUNDS*
- *SSTS ORDINANCE UPDATE*
- *FEEDLOT RE-REGISTRATION*