

FY 2014 GRANT FARM BILL ASSISTANT-FINAL

Grant Period: From: August 29, 2013 to June 30, 2014

Farm Bill Assistant Grant is given to the SWCD to hire staff to increase landowner participation in the conservation provisions of the Federal Farm Bill which increase the amount of native grasses and wetland on the landscape to enhance water quality, reduce soil erosion, and increase fish & wildlife habitat. From September to December 31, 2013 the Farm Bill Technician made 115 contacts with 27 contracts being signed by landowners for a total of 227.9 acres being enrolling into the following practices:

<u>#Contracts</u>	<u>Practice</u>	<u>Acres</u>
1	Filter Strips	10.9
0	Riparian Buffers	0
2	Wetlands	8.6
9	General	99
12	Mgmt. Activities	99
1	Other/CP38	4.1
2	Windbreaks	6.3

From January to June 2014, the Farm Bill Technician made 181 contacts. No additional contracts being signed into the program.