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## COST SHARE PROGRAMS

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- Habitat Restoration Program (HRP)
- Streambank Stabilization Restoration Program (SSRP)
- Conservation Practices Program (CPP)
- Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)
- Wetland Reserve Program (WRP)
- Conservation Reserve Enhanced Program (CREP)
- Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP)
- Wildlife Habitat incentive Program (WHIP)
- Buffer Strips

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## OTHER AVAILABLE RESOURCES

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Native Plant Guide  
Illinois Urban Manual  
NRCS Technical Manuals  
Quarterly Newsletter  
Information Brochures and Fact Sheets  
Enviroscape (watershed model)  
Groundwater Model



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## **MCHENRY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

### *Programs & Opportunities*



SWCD storage facility site at 2222 Dean Street, Woodstock.

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## What is a Soil & Water Conservation District?

The McHenry County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) was formed in 1947 under the “Soil and Water Conservation District Act” of 1937. We were created specifically to provide for the conservation of soil, soil resources, water, and water resources within McHenry County. There are a total of 98 Soil & Water Conservation Districts in Illinois.

## How Does The SWCD Operate?

The District is a non-taxing government body run by a five-member Board of Directors, all who reside within McHenry County. Each director is elected for a two-year term and meet at least once a month during a public meeting.

Operation funds are derived from state and local appropriations and from programs administered by the district such as sales, services and grants.

## WHAT CAN THE MCHENRY COUNTY SWCD DO FOR YOU?

### Technical Assistance

- **Erosion & Sediment Control Plan Reviews** for new or existing construction to insure proper measures are taken to prevent soil from entering water bodies.
- **Natural Resource Information Reports (NRIs):** These reports are created for all zoning changes within the county and give governmental entities, landowners and developers site-specific natural resource information.



- **Soil Borings:** An on-site investigation of a parcel’s soil to determine the suitability of the area for a particular use. Commonly completed for septic suitability, basement suitability and subdivision mapping.
- **Map and Aerial Resources:** Both hard copy and computer (GIS) generated overlays. Aerial photographs are available for the

following years: 1939, 1954, 1967, 1988, 1992, 1993/1994, and 1998/1999. Resource maps available include NRCS Wetland Inventory, National Wetland Inventory, McHenry County ADID Wetland Inventory, FEMA Floodplain, Flood of Record, Soils, and USGS Topographical and others.

- **Watershed Planning Assistance**
- **Technical Site Assessments & Recommendations**
- **Farmland Protection**
- **Annual Tree & Fish Sales**

### Educational Programs

- **The Greatest Show “of” Earth:** Hands-on education trailer focusing on soils education.
- **Soil Erosion Program:** Basic soil erosion principles.
- **Watershed Program:** Watershed concepts and non-point/point source pollution.
- **Conservation Grants:** Grants available to schools and youth groups for conservation related projects.
- **Third Grade Tree Program**
- **Envirothon:** High School environmental competition.