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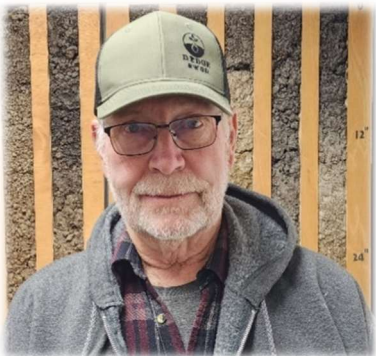
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Annual Report – 2025  
Dodge Soil and Water Conservation District

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**Mission:** To provide leadership in natural resource protection through the promotion and implementation of soil and water best management practices.



Cover Crops – John Tvedt – Planted 2024



# 2024 Accomplishments and Highlights



Finstuen Basin - BEFORE

## Watershed Cost-Share

- Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro (WAGZ)
  - 6 Cover Crops - \$24,742.50
  - 7 Grassed Waterways - \$125,877.56
  - 2 Water and Sediment Control Basin - \$52,750.95
  - 1 Well Decommissioning - \$3,000.00

Total \$206,371.01 in Watershed Cost-Share with \$19,076.45 in landowner match, and \$4,833.50 in federal match



Finstuen Basin - AFTER

## District Cost-Share

- Provided technical assistance for 42 landowners.
  - Provided Financial Assistance on:
    - 1 Water and Sediment Control Basin - \$1,246.88
    - 1 Grassed Waterways - \$1,980.10
    - 1 Cover Crop - \$4,930.50

Total \$8,157.48 in District Cost-Share



## Buffer Law Implementation

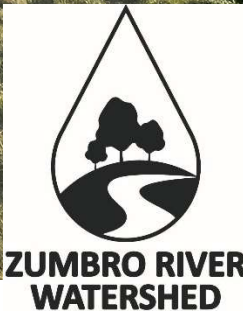
- Spot Checked 4 townships for compliance
- Update and maintain BWSR BuffCAT tracking program



Franko Grassed Waterway



Balzum Grassed Waterway



Native Plants in CRP

## USDA - Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)

- Assisted with 417 CRP contracts totaling 5,145 acres of conservation plantings.



## Water Monitoring

- 2 Denitrifying Bioreactors monitored
  - Minnesota DNR Well monitoring/measuring



## No-till Drill

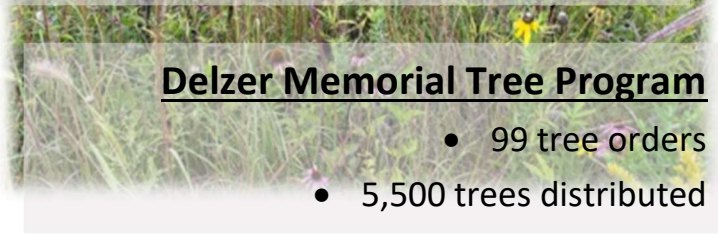
- 205 acres of conservation plantings working with 21 landowners



State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) CRP Planting

## Delzer Memorial Tree Program

- 99 tree orders
- 5,500 trees distributed



Edgar Grassed Waterways



## Dodge Cover Crop Program

- 670 acres of cover crops planted working with 8 landowners
- An estimated 5925 lbs. of Nitrogen, 240 lbs. of Phosphorous, and 132 Tons of suspended sediment were prevented from entering Dodge County's rivers and streams.

