

# Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District 233 S. Soangetaha Road – Galesburg, IL 61401 – Phone (309) 342-5138 Ext. 3 – Fax (855)-288-1480

#### **AGENDA**

August 20, 2025 @ 3:45 p.m. – Budget Hearing 4:00PM – Regular Monthly Meeting Meeting is open to the public. Knox Co. USDA Office 233 S. Soangetaha Rd

## DIRECTORS-Please call the office if you are unable to attend.

- 1. Call to Order- George
- 2. Budget Hearing
- 3. Greet Guests-
- 4. Roll Call- (George C., Chris B., Dave A., AJ H., Brian F., Kara D., Katie I.)
- 5. Agenda Approval
- 6. Reports
  - A. Secretary-Chris
  - B. Treasurer- Dave
  - C. Bills- Katie
- 7. Old Business
  - A. Funding Update
  - B. ISAP Update
  - C. IDNR North Creek Project
- 8. New Business
  - A. CPP/PFC
  - B. Gulf Hypoxia Grant
  - C. FFP Workshop 11/5-11/6 Approval
  - D. Update NRI Application & Fees
  - E. ISAP Bid Process to hire land contractor
  - F. Final FY26 Budget
  - G. Annual plan of work FY26
  - H. Board Meeting: September 17, 2024 @ 7 p.m.
- 9. Other reports
  - A. Resource Cons-Kara
- G. LUC
- B. Admin Coordinator-Katie
- H. KCFB Hailey
- C. District Conservationist-Kindra
- I. Zoning
- D. Regional Representative-Marty
- J. Prtnr Reports (IDNR,PCM,PF,NG,IDOA)
- E. State Association-AISWCD
- K. Misc. Reports

- F. FSA- Darla
- 10. Correspondence

# **Board Meeting**

# **July 16th, 2025**

The Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District held their monthly meeting on July 16th, 2025 at 4:00 PM at 233 S. Soangetaha Rd. Galesburg, IL 61401. Directors present were George Cummings, Brian Friedrich, Chris Bewley, Dave Asbury, and AJ Harland. Also present was Don Moffitt, Associate Director, Kindra Pruett, Acting District Conservationist, Kara Downin, Resource Conservationist, and Katie Ingle, Administrative and Education Coordinator.

#### **Agenda**

Chris Bewley made a motion, seconded by Brian Friedrich, to approve the agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

#### **Secretary Report**

Chris Bewley made a motion, seconded by Dave Asbury, to approve the June 16th secretary report. Motion passed 5-0.

#### **Treasurer Report**

Dave Asbury presented the treasurer's report. AJ Harland made a motion, seconded by Chris Bewley, to approve the treasurers report. Motion passed 5-0.

## **Bills**

The bills were presented to show deposits and debits for the accounts at Tompkins State Bank. Discussion was held on bills to be paid and the estimated bills for the August board meeting to be paid. Dave Asbury made a motion to approve the bills as presented which was seconded by Brian Friedrich. Motion passed 5-0.

#### **Old Business**

<u>Funding Update</u>- Kara informed the board that we had the grant amendment to sign to allot for FY25 cost share and after checking with Marty, should be receiving those funds at the end of August. She also mentioned that they received \$900 for technical assistance with the RCPP Climate Smart Priority Practices.

<u>Transfer of CREP Ownership To IDNR</u>- Kara updated the board that IDNR is finally moving forward with transferring the ownership of the CREP easements from the district back to IDNR. The board originally approved the transfer in a board meeting in 2021 but IDNR wanted a reaffirmation of the decision. AJ Harland made a motion, seconded by Chris Bewley, to reaffirm the decision to transfer ownership back to IDNR. Motion passed 5-0.

#### **New Business**

<u>CPP/PFC</u>- Kara sought approval for a deadline extension on contract 323 for C.L. Cummings which is for sealing one drilled well. The contractor does not anticipate being able to complete

construction within the original deadline of August 19<sup>th</sup>. Brian Friedrich made a motion, seconded by AJ Harland to extend the deadline to December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025. Motion passed 5-0. Kara also sought approval for contract 330 which is for a lined grassed waterway with a maximum cost share of \$6,416.30 and a construction deadline of December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025. Chris Bewley made a motion, seconded by Dave Asbury to approve contract 330. Motion passed 5-0. Contract 330 is for Keith Webster. Next, Kara sought approval for contract 331 which is for a pipe drop structure with a maximum cost share of \$14,636.47 and a construction deadline of December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025. Chris Bewley made a motion, seconded by Brian Friedrich, to approve the project. Motion passed 5-0. Contract 331 is for Stacy Webster. Kara also sought approval for contract 334 for sealing one dug well with a maximum cost share of \$500. Brian Friedrich made a motion, seconded by AJ Harland, to approve the project. Motion passed 5-0. Contract 334 is for Justin Moffit. Lastly, Kara updated the board that contract 332, which was sealing one drilled well for Paul Ladner, was not going to happen due to a change in goals for the property. The agreement form was never signed so there is no penalty or recovery of costs needed.

Edward Jones CD Expiring 7/24 & 8/13- Katie informed the board that they have two CD's maturing before the next board meeting. Brian Friedrich made a motion, seconded Chris Bewley, to renew the CD's for another 3 months and add the interest earned back into them while rounding up to the nearest thousandth dollar. Motion passed 5-0.

NRI Information Update- Kara updated the board that Warren County got a producer asking for an NRI report and since their SWCD does not do them, Kara asked the board if they are ok with her and Katie doing NRI reports outside of the county as long as the county SWCD that the report is in is ok with it. She also was seeking guidance on how to Brian Friedrich made a motion, seconded by Chris Bewley, to accept NRI report requests from outside of the county as long as that SWCD is ok with it, and to also add an additional \$100 "out of county" flat fee to the normal NRI report fee. Motion passed 5-0. Kara also sought the board's advice on how to proceed with the wind energy company that wants a section of their NRI report updated. The NRI report was from 2020 and the section they wanted updated was the "USDA Review" section, including CRP contracts, EQIP contracts, and CSP contracts. Kara explained that that information is not the district's to share and she isn't sure which landowners would need updated and signed information release forms. It is also for an area covering almost 22,000 acres of farm land. The board recommended letting the company know that it was going to take at least 3 months to gather all the updated information and charging the full NRI report fee and if they need the report sooner than 3 months they need to reach out to the landowners that they are working with and who hold the USDA contracts themselves.

<u>FY26 Tentative Budget</u>- Discussion was held on the FY26 tentative budget that Katie and Kara presented to the board. Brian Friedrich made a motion, seconded by AJ Harland, to approve the tentative budget. Motion passed 5-0.

<u>Board Meeting: August 20th @ 4:00 PM</u>- The next board meeting will be held on August 20th at 4:00 PM and will be held at the USDA Building (233 S Soangetaha Rd. Galesburg, IL 61401).

## **Other Reports**

Resource Conservationist- Kara informed the board that the water and sediment control basin project at John Nichols was built and is just waiting to be seeded for the bills to be turned in. She also let them know that Justin Moffit volunteered to use his well sealing for our annual demonstration that is open to the public and currently waiting to hear back from the Health Department on a date. Kara reached out to IDNR about utilizing the funds from the mitigation case and she let the board know that they were asking for a few more details and then going to bring Kara's proposal before their committee to be approved. Lastly, she informed them that she thought she had secured a "community shred event" to take our records in need of disposal but the shred event is for personal documents only, no businesses, so she is still searching for somewhere to shred.

Administrative and Education Coordinator- Katie informed the board that she had been working on getting more job approval though status reviews with Emma and Suitability and Feasibility field visits with Kara. She also was working the Fall/Summer newsletter and that includes updating all the fall sales order forms and getting new advertisers.

<u>District Conservationist</u>- Kindra updated the board on their current staffing levels, and how the soil conservationists in Galesburg are going to be splitting their time between Galesburg and Monmouth field offices to compensate for the shortage.

#### Correspondence

Katie presented the monthly Field and Bean and Farm Bureau newsletters.

## **Meeting Ending**

Dave Asbury made a motion to adjourn the meeting which Chris Bewley seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Submitted by:	Date:
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Approved by:	Date:

# Account List BP

# Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District

TOTAL BALANCE	ACCOUNT NAME	DESCRIPTION
33,326.36	1100.02 CPP Checking Acct Tompkins	CPP Checking at Tompkins
12,437.80	1105 Scholarship Edward Jones	Scholarship Edward Jones
38,193.87	1001.06 CREP Checking Acct Tompkins	CREP Checking at Tompkins
60,980.55	1001.05 General Checking Tompkins	General District Checking at Tompkins
29,000.00	1004.29 Edward Jones CD 10-23-25	CD Maturing 10/23/25 @ 4.05%
29,000.00	1004.31 Edward Jones CD 10-31-25	CD maturing 10/31/25 @ 4.3%
55,000.00	1004.28 Edward Jones CD 8-13-25	CD Maturing 8/13/25 @ 4.3%
30,000.00	1004.30 Edward Jones CD 9-10-25	CD Maturing 9/10/25 @ 4.45%
\$287,938.58		

# Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District

## **Balance Sheet**

As of June 30, 2026

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
1000 UNRESTRICTED CASH	
1001 LOCAL CHECKING ACCOUNT	
1001.05 General Checking Tompkins	60,980.55
1001.06 CREP Checking Acct Tompkins	38,193.87
Total 1001 LOCAL CHECKING ACCOUNT	99,174.42
1004 SAVINGS	0.00
1004.28 Edward Jones CD 8-13-25	55,000.00
1004.29 Edward Jones CD 10-23-25	29,000.00
1004.30 Edward Jones CD 9-10-25	30,000.00
1004.31 Edward Jones CD 10-31-25	29,000.00
Total 1004 SAVINGS	143,000.00
Total 1000 UNRESTRICTED CASH	242,174.42
1004.22 Edward Jones CD 12-19-24 (deleted)	27,000.00
1004.23 Edward Jones CD 1-31-25 (deleted)	2,000.00
1100 RESTRICTED CASH	
1100.01 LUC Checking Acct- NOT A KNOX SWCD ACCT	6,005.54
1100.02 CPP Checking Acct Tompkins	33,326.36
1105 Scholarship Edward Jones	12,437.80
Total 1100 RESTRICTED CASH	51,769.70
Total Bank Accounts	\$322,944.12
Accounts Receivable	
1200 Accounts Receivable	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Other Current Assets	
1499 Undeposited Funds	0.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$0.00
Total Current Assets	\$322,944.12
Fixed Assets	
1520 EQUIPMENT-1	
1520.01 Equipment-Cost	18,286.96
1520.02 Equipment-Dep	-9,561.55
Total 1520 EQUIPMENT-1	8,725.41
Total Fixed Assets	\$8,725.41
TOTAL ASSETS	\$331,669.53

# Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District

## **Balance Sheet**

As of June 30, 2026

	TOTAL
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 Accounts Payable	0.00
Total Accounts Payable	\$0.00
Credit Cards	
1106 First Midwest Bank Credit Card	0.00
Tompkins VISA, 0853 Kara	834.40
Tompkins VISA- 1067 Katie	-642.0
Total Credit Cards	\$192.39
Other Current Liabilities	
2100 PAYROLL LIABILITIES	0.0
2120 FEDERAL PAYROLL DEPOSIT	
2120.01 Federal Withholding	2,906.10
2120.02 Social Security-District	5,793.9
2120.03 Social Security-Employee	5,793.9
2120.04 Medicare Withholding-District	1,355.0
2120.05 Medicare-Employee	1,355.04
Total 2120 FEDERAL PAYROLL DEPOSIT	17,204.00
2130 Illinois State Withholding	3,926.25
2140 State Unemployment-IL	-171.28
Total 2100 PAYROLL LIABILITIES	20,959.0
2150 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	
2150.01 Retirement	
2150.11 AC Retirement	-1,050.3
2150.12 RC Retirement	-1,296.19
Total 2150.01 Retirement	-2,346.50
Total 2150 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	-2,346.5
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$18,612.50
Total Current Liabilities	\$18,804.89
Total Liabilities	\$18,804.89
Equity	
3000 Opening Bal Equity	43,987.4
3900 Retained Earnings	268,877.1
Net Income	
Total Equity	\$312,864.64
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$331,669.53

# Check Detail Report BP

# Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District

July 1-31, 2025

TRANSACTION DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	CLEARED	AMOUNT
1001.05 General Checking	Tompkins					
6836	D.II. D (Q1 1.)	4000			5 " '	22.27
07/14/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10237	Verizon Wireless		Reconciled	-36.07
07/14/2025 6802	Bill Payment (Check)	10237	Verizon Wireless			-36.07
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10224	SWCD of IL Insurance		Reconciled	-244.57
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10224	SWCD of IL Insurance			-244.57
6803						
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10225	AISWCD		Reconciled	-2,799.48
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10225	AISWCD			-2,799.48
6804						
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10226	Brian LA Friedrich		Uncleared	-142.41
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10226	Brian LA Friedrich			-142.41
6805						
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10227	Asbury Dave		Uncleared	-105.43
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10227	Asbury Dave			-105.43
6806						
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10228	George Cummings		Reconciled	-59.83
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10228	George Cummings			-59.83
6807	,		g G			
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10229	Visa		Reconciled	-72.88
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10229	Visa			-72.88
6808	,					
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10230	Tegeler Acct Services		Reconciled	-58.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10230	Tegeler Acct Services			-58.00
6809	,		3			
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10231	Bewley, Chris		Reconciled	-156.48
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10231	Bewley, Chris			-156.48
6810	(2					
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10232	Stifel		Reconciled	-1,160.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10232	Stifel		. 10001101104	-1,160.00
6811	,					,
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10233	Katie Ingle v		Reconciled	-870.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10233	Katie Ingle v			-870.00
6812	, , ,		3			
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10234	Harland, A J		Reconciled	-160.50
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10234	Harland, A J			-160.50
6841	, , ,		,			
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10239	Federal IRS Tax Payment		Reconciled	-2,325.68
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10239	Federal IRS Tax Payment			-2,325.68
6816	,		•			
07/16/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10235	Hy-Vee		Reconciled	-14.12
07/16/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10235	Hy-Vee			-14.12
6853						
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Reconciled	-1,901.70
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin			2,230.63
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	75.00
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	138.30
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	138.30
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin			138.30
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	32.34
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	32.34
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin			32.34
07/16/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	83.29
6854						
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Reconciled	-1,340.41
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle			1,673.24

# Check Detail Report BP

# Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District July 1-31, 2025

TRANSACTION DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	CLEARED	AMOUNT
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	122.00
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	103.74
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	103.74
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle			103.74
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	24.26
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	24.26
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle			24.26
07/16/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	82.83
6844						
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Reconciled	-1,274.84
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin	Paid out for 40 hours of vacation per board		1,427.60
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin	·	Uncleared	88.52
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	88.52
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin			88.52
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	20.70
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	20.70
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		0110104104	20.70
07/24/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	43.54
6825	ΣΑΡΟΠΟΟ		rtara 20mm		Onologica	10.01
07/25/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10236	Downin, Kara (V)		Uncleared	-1,274.84
07/25/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10236	Downin, Kara (V)		Officialica	-1,274.84
6838	Dill r dymont (Oncor)	10200	bownini, rtara (v)			1,274.04
07/29/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10238	Edward Jones		Reconciled	-703.31
07/29/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10238	Edward Jones		Reconciled	-703.31
6843	bili Fayineni (Check)	10230	Edward Jones			-703.31
07/29/2025	Pill Payment (Cheek)	10240	Director of Employment Security		Reconciled	-41.43
	Bill Payment (Check)		Director of Employment Security		Reconciled	
07/29/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10240	Director of Employment Security			-41.43
6852	Dill Dayma and (Oh a ala)	40044	II. Don't of Donor		Danasallad	407.07
07/29/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10241	IL Dept of Revenue		Reconciled	-487.27
07/29/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	10241	IL Dept of Revenue			-487.27
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07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Reconciled	-1,901.71
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin			2,230.63
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	75.00
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	138.29
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	138.29
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin			138.29
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	32.34
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	32.34
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin			32.34
07/29/2025	Expense		Kara Downin		Uncleared	83.29
6856						
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Reconciled	-1,340.41
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle			1,673.24
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	122.00
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	103.74
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	103.74
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle			103.74
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	24.26
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	24.26
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle			24.26
07/29/2025	Expense		Katie Ingle		Uncleared	82.83
6857	•		-			
07/31/2025	Check	ADJ		Reconcile Adjustment	Reconciled	-891.39
07/31/2025	Check	ADJ		•		891.39

# Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District

## Profit and Loss

July 2025 - June 2026

	TOTAL
Income	
4100 IDOA Operations	900.00
4300 IDOA Program	
4300.03 Special Projects	20,000.00
Total 4300 IDOA Program	20,000.00
4400 Sales	518.56
4800 Interest-1	22.82
4901 Reimbursements	100.00
4903 Newsletter Advertising	1,380.00
4904 Knox County Tax Levy	1,368.12
Total Income	\$24,289.50
GROSS PROFIT	\$24,289.50
Expenses	
5100 PAYROLL EXPENSES	
5110 COMPENSATION	
5110.01 AC Compensation	5,019.72
5110.02 RC Compensation	9,547.09
5110.03 Director Stipend	280.00
Total 5110 COMPENSATION	14,846.81
5120 PAYROLL TAXES	2,812.95
5120.02 Social Security	1,048.63
5120.04 District Medicare Portion	245.23
5140 Unemployment	41.43
Total 5120 PAYROLL TAXES	4,148.24
5150 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	
5150.03 Life Insurance	28.08
5150.08 Short Term Disability	135.33
5150.09 Long Term Disability	81.16
Total 5150 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	244.57
Total 5100 PAYROLL EXPENSES	19,239.62
5250 EDUCATION AND PROMOTION	
5250.01 Adult Education	-109.12
Total 5250 EDUCATION AND PROMOTION	-109.12
5400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	
5400.02 Accounting	58.00
Total 5400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	58.00
6000 OFFICE EXPENSE	
6000.01 Internet	36.07
6000.02 Printing/Copying	600.00
Total 6000 OFFICE EXPENSE	636.07

# Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District

## Profit and Loss

July 2025 - June 2026

	TOTAL
6030 DUES/PUBLICATIONS/SUBSCRIPTIONS	
6030.01 Membership Dues	2,199.48
6030.03 Subscriptions	12.00
Total 6030 DUES/PUBLICATIONS/SUBSCRIPTIONS	2,211.48
6050 TRAVEL	
6050.05 Director Mileage	344.65
Total 6050 TRAVEL	344.65
6051 MEALS AND ENTERTAINMENT	
6051.01 Meals	14.12
Total 6051 MEALS AND ENTERTAINMENT	14.12
6500 Reimbursed Expenses	703.31
Total Expenses	\$23,098.13
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$1,191.37
Other Expenses	
Reconciliation Discrepancies-1	891.39
Total Other Expenses	\$891.39
NET OTHER INCOME	\$ -891.39
NET INCOME	\$299.98

Financial Advisor(s) Tom Maloney/ Jason O'Brien, 309-342-3288, 76 S Prairie St. Galesburg, IL 61401

Statement Period Jun 28 - Jul 25, 2025

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## Tap into your borrowing power

Moving, doing a renovation, taking a trip, planning for college? We offer flexible borrowing options to meet a variety of financing needs, while allowing your investment portfolio to remain intact. Your financial advisor can help create a strategy to address your unique needs.

# **Portfolio Summary**

#### Total Portfolio Value

\$155,723.39			
1 Month Ago	\$155,113.71		
1 Year Ago	\$158,538.17		
3 Years Ago	\$10,764.70		
5 Years Ago	\$10,069.43		
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## Understanding your statement and as a statement of the st

Your statement should reflect what's important to you in language you can understand. The easier it is to understand, the more empowered you'll be to make decisions for your future. You can find some helpful tips at edwardjones.com/mystatementguide or by reaching out to your financial advisor.

Accounts	Account Holder	Account Number	Value 1 Year Ago	Current Value
Association Account Select	Knox Co Soil & Water Conservat	229-10461-1-4	\$11,513.51	\$13,445.37
Association Account Select	Knox Co Soil & Water Conservat	229-14922-1-9	\$147,024.66	\$142,278.02
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Important disclosures; such as Statement of Financial Condition, Conditions that Govern Your Account, Account Safety, Errors, Complaints, Withholding, Free Credit Balance, Fair Market Value or Terminology, relating to your account(s) are available on the last page of this package or at www.edwardjones.com/statementdisclosures.



Account Holder(s) Knox Co Soil & Water Conservat
Account Number 229-10461-1-4
Financial Advisor(s) Tom Maloney/ Jason O'Brien, 309-342-3288, 76 S Prairie St,
Galesburg, IL 61401

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## Are your finances keeping up with your life?

Life is full of changes. Some are joyful, while others are unexpected. Whatever you're facing, your financial advisor is there to help ensure your financial strategy reflects the changes in your life. By meeting with you regularly, they can help guide you through these transitions and keep your finances on track.

#### **Association - Select**

Portfolio Objective - Account: Balanced Growth and Income

Account Value	
\$13,445.37	
1 Month Ago	\$13,163,28
1 Year Ago	
3 Years Ago	\$10,764.70
5 Years Ago	\$10,069.43

Value Summary				
	This Period	This Year		
Beginning value	\$13,163.28	\$11,784.74		
Assets added to account	0.00	0.00		
Assets withdrawn from account	0.00	0.00		
Fees and charges	0.00	0.00		
Change in value	282.09	1,660.63		
Ending Value	\$13,445.37			

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Asset Details (as of Jul 25, 20	additional details at www.edwardjones.com/acce		.com/access		
Assets Held At Edward Jones	1 2 2 2 2 2 2	Andrew Section Section	Land Branch Committee		1.42
		D			Balance
Cash					\$0.03
Mutual Funds	Price	Quantity	Cost Basis	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Value
American Cap Inc Builder A	77.69	173.064	10,018.63	3,426.71	13,445.3
Total Account Value				-	\$13,445.37

Cost basis is the amount of your investment for tax purposes and is used to calculate gain or loss upon sale or other disposition of a security. It is not a measure of performance. The cost basis amounts on your statement should not be relied upon for tax preparation purposes. Cost basis information may be from outside sources and has not been verified for accuracy. Refer to your official tax documents for information about reporting cost basis. Consult a qualified tax advisor or an attorney regarding your situation. If you believe the cost basis information is inaccurate, contact Client Relations.

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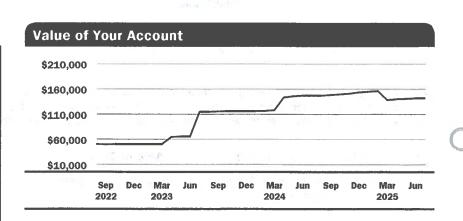
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## **Association - Select**

**Portfolio Objective - Account: Income Focus** 

Account Value	
\$142,278.02	SMI
A #60	
1 Month Ago	\$141,950.43
1 Year Ago	\$147,024.66
3 Years Ago	\$0.00
5 Years Ago	\$0.00



Value Summary	This Period	This Year
Beginning Value	\$141,950.43	\$153,067.32
Assets Added to Account	0.00	4,539.66
Assets Withdrawn from Account	0.00	-18,197.51
Fees and Charges	0.00	0.00
Change in Value	327.59	2,868.55
Ending Value	\$142,278.02	

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Rate of Return					
Your Personal Rate of Return for	This Quarter	Year to Date	Last 12 Months	3 Years Annualized	5 Years Annualized
Assets Held at Edward Jones	0.30%	2.22%	4.40%	4.52%	4.52%

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#### Asset Details (as of Jul 25, 2025)

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#### **Assets Held At Edward Jones**

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manush assts					Balance
Cash				ASURY OF THE RESERVED	\$28,296.69
Certificates of	f Deposit	Maturity Date	Maturity Value	Value^	Rate of Return*
State Bk India	Chicago III 4.30%	8/13/2025	55,000.00	54,998.90	0.85%
Ameris Bk Mou	Iltrie GA 4.40%	9/18/2025	30,000.00	30,003.60	0.47%
Bank Amer Na	Charlotte NC 4.05%	10/23/2025	29,000.00	28,978.83	0.97%

^The values shown for CDs represent estimated values if sold prior to maturity. Actual prices may be higher or lower. Generally, if held until maturity, the maturity value plus any accrued interest due will be credited to your account.

Total Account Value \$142,278.02

\*Your Rate of Return for each individual asset above is as of July 25, 2025. Returns greater than 12 months are annualized.

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Short Term (assets held 1 year o	or less)		and the second		\$0.00
Long Term (held over 1 year)					0.00

Summary totals may not include proceeds from uncosted securities or certain corporate actions.

Investment and Other Activity by Date					
Date	Description	Quantity	Amount		
7/24	Redeemed State Bk India Chicago III 4.250 Due 07/24/25 Matured Security	-28,000	\$28,000.00		
7/24	Interest on State Bk India Chicago III Due 07/24/2025 4.250 % on 28,000 @ 0.010479		293.42		

Pen	Pending Trades				
Date	Description	Settlement Date	Total Amount		
7/25	Pending buy of Ally Bk Sandy Utah 29,000.00 @ 100.00	7/31/2025	\$29,000.00		

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Resource Conservationist Board Report for: Aug 2025

#### I. Technical

- a. FFP 2024 Grant pending approval notification winter/spring 2025
- b. FFP 2025 Grant (FY26) pending approval notification winter/spring 2026
- c. Doubet modular block on his own. Need to design
- d. IDOA Partners For Conservation Grant (*PFC*, *fka CPP*) Rec'v FY25 OPS \$43,990.00 on 6/5/25 expect FY25 cost-share in Aug. Updated PFC-10 to Marty 7/10, 8/8, Updated PFC-4 7/10, 8/8, Updated master Excel 7/10, 7/15 i. FY24 Funds rec'v 6/20/24 (\$34,220.10).
  - 1. Greg Jones need to clean folder up & file away
  - 2. <u>Becky/John Nichols</u> wascob, Bryan texted 7/8, check-out with Katie 7/9, rec'v signed Agr. Form and W9 7/9, need STAR form, completed AS BUILT design with Katie for training 7/9, texted Bryan that earthwork is good and to let us know when seeding/mulch is done in Aug. 7/9, 8/8
  - 3. Hungerford cp42, planting this fall, called for update 7/10
  - 4. Terry Cowan west side, 2025 corn, Ethan conducted Pre-Con mtg in my absence 4/29
  - 5. Mark Heartlein (with Cowan's project), rec'v signed Agr form 2/28
  - 6. Dan Erickson emailed back 4/25 & will touch base later this summer on this project topic
  - 7. Mike Shepherd cp42, called Mike for bills 7/10, he planted the end of May, establishment visit 7/11, PMT form 7/14, 7/16 to Marty and Katie 7/16
  - 8. Ellen Gibbons cp42, NEPA to Kindra 7/10, called Ellen for update 7/10, mailed seed vendor list to Ellen 7/14
  - 9. Jim Nelson called Jim back 7/28 he will do project on his own with OP, emailed Ethan to take off list 7/29
  - 10. <u>Keith Webster</u> communications with owner & engineer 7/8, 7/9, 7/16, 7/23, 7/31, 8/7prepped docs for approval 7/10, rec'v designs 7/30, E&T to Brad B. 7/31, Keith called 8/1, finished approval letters/packet and emailed and scanned them to Keith and Stacey 8/1, Keith called 8/8 and scanned his signed forms
  - 11. <u>CP42</u> maintenance visits CSC 7/11, 7/28 to Knox Run, Lampe (342), Gilles, Schilling, Gibson (512) Shenaut. Photo dump and emailed each one for an update on what maintenance they can do 7/28, GPL 8/3 & emailed 8/4
  - 12. Potential new cp42 application stopped in 8/4 and we discussed the program
  - 13. **Wait List:** Greg Jones #2, Mary Carlson, Paul Lenz, Sammie Watkins, Roger Newell, Dennis Kallvy, Matt Hennenfent, Jack Nichols (Joe), James Harrell, S. Blender, K. Negley, Gene Fields, Dave Anderson, Matt Gibson/John Kennedy, Dan Siems, Jim Turner
  - ii. SSRP Wait list for 19 reach applications
    - 1. Need Reports: Carlson, Fell, Vacarro, Coffman, Butvilas, O'Connor. Requested again 5/14/25
    - 2. Haynes pre-construction mtg with Haynes, Bragg, Haring & Katie 6/13, plans to start this summer
    - 3. Mayfield approval packet to OWs 5/30, need signed, pre-construction mtg with Haring, Katie & OWs 6/13, build after harvest, past project photos to OWs 6/30
  - iii. Abandoned Water Well Sealings
    - 1. <u>C.L. Cummings</u> drilled well, emailed C.L. back 7/9 and will request deadline extension to 12/1/25, mailed extension letter and Agr. Form to re-sign 7/17
    - 2. Possible Well Demo on Paul Ladner emailed Paul 7/10, Paul called to cancel well app 7/17
    - 3. Rich Johnson % Rob Humphries two dug wells, texted Bryan for bills 7/10, 8/8, likely seal on 7/14
    - 4. Anna Johnson Estate (GCF) texted Bryan for bills 7/10, 8/8, emailed KCHD for well cert 8/8
    - 5. Demo at Justin Moffitt's called Justin about his inquiry 7/8, 7/10, prepped for approval 7/10, called Justin for dates 7/16, emailed HD for their dates, waiting to mail approval until we get application, KCHD emailed back called Justin and left msg 7/18, 7/23, called 7/24 and confirmed Demo for Tues. 9/2 @ 10am, posted Demo flier on WGIL community calendar 7/25, called Justin 8/8
- e. IDNR CREP re-opened 6/15/22
  - i. Monitoring- 104 Current Easements (separated into 3 Groups for monitoring)
    - 1. Group 1 will monitor in Feb/March 2027
    - 2. Group 2 unsigned Crose report to IDNR 7/1
    - 3. Group 3 will monitor in Feb/March 2026, prep list in Dec 2025
    - ii. Audit work Check Al Jennings survey for corrections
    - iii. Program work Reviewed July Land Sales 8/4, scanned/emailed CREP ownership transfer to IDNR 7/17
    - v. Fulton Co. CREP Easement emailed IDNR about our admin fee for closing 6/10, 7/7, 8/7
- f. AISWCD Sub-Contribution Agreement for NRCS CRP workload
  - i. **2025 Agreement** emailed Ashley about when FY25 Plan of Work due 12/11/24, 5/19/25, Inv to AISWCD for 2 mods and 4 SR re-checks (\$1,248.75) 5/21, CRP work 7/9, 7/10, 7/11, 7/16, 7/17, 7/18, 7/24, 7/25, 7/30, 8/4, 8/5, 8/6, 8/7, 8/8, Rec'v 12 Stark SR 7/10, another 12 7/14, returned 24 to Stark 7/14, Rec'v 9 from Stark 7/17, returned 7/18, Rec'v 2 from Stark 7/30, returned 8/4
- g. Watersheds (WS)

- i. MS Western Five WS (Flint Henderson) nothing new since 11/2024 GSD mtg
- ii. Spoon River WS Pending NRCS RCPP application to fund projects in this watershed.
- iii. Walnut Creek WS Cathy drafted WS Plan 1/18/22
- iv. Kickapoo Creek WS I have more emails to follow-up on
- v. IDNR North Creek mitigation funds emailed Carson back (2) with C/B on all 4 of Chipper 1 LLC reaches 7/16, emailed follow-up 8/8
- h. **ISAP** Emails to/from Megan and Zeph 7/8, 7/9, 7/29, 7/30, July Zoom call 7/15, bid process research 7/15, 7/29, 7/30, emailed ISAP and IDOA 7/15, emailed Austin for EOF training I/E approval 7/17, emailed ISAP back 7/23, IEPA Chris Davis called about new funding opportunity I directed her to call Megan 7/29, worked on Interim Report 7/29, 7/30, Katie proofed 7/31 and submitted to Megan 7/31, requested shapefiles to do cultural review 7/31, submitted cultural form to NRCS 8/1, created new time tracking system for this grant 8/4, will give CRP applications in our WS a flow chart flier 8/5, follow-up to AISWCD Eliot about bid process 8/8

#### II. Administrative

- a. Zoning 2020 Wind Farm request called and I emailed them CRP section from NRI report 7/9, Wind Farm wants updated CRP section emailed 3 other SWCDs for guidance 7/15, called Vicki back after her email 7/15, talked to Darla about CRP update info 7/16, emailed Wind Farm and others 7/17, we will research NRI app and fees to update, Wind Farm emailed and wants 4 parcels updated (30 minutes) 7/18, landowner in about Wind Farm starting 7/24, Zoning called for LESA on a new house 8/4, Warren Co. owner called about his NRI application 8/8
- b. AISWCD Forestry Committee nothing this month
- c. Legislative none this month
- d. IDOT emailed back about potential future pilot partnership 4/5/24, emailed follow up 6/4/24, emailed for mtg 5/9/25, called Britany & left a msg 6/18
- e. Mule transmission on back order they expect Aug., called for update 7/15 will call monthly for follow up, replaced batteries in Apple Air Tags in both trailer and mule 8/4, typed up notes so that staff can easily locate tags 8/4
- f. Newsletter new staff photo 7/10, worked on content 7/18, 7/23, 7/24, 7/25, added more newsletter emails (150) 7/25
- g. Tax Levy Budget Hearing updated and requested newspaper quotes (2) 7/8, confirmed draft Ad 7/14, updated BAO with tent budget numbers and Balance Sheet total 7/16, rec'v Cert of Pub of Budget Hearing 7/16
- h. Employee Evaluation decided to cash out 40 hrs of vacation (was approved to do up to 80)
- i. Records Retention approved for 6/30/25, NRCS shred truck SU/FA 2025, anyone know of a shred event? Emailed Marty and AISWCD 8/8
- j. Sales
  - i. Native seed sale new seed order Larson 7/1 not paid
  - ii. Spring Tree Sale rec'v special order 7/1, but cannot get prices until 2/1/26, updated actual SP2025 numbers to help up pre-order for SP2026 8/4
  - iii. Plantskydd two customers 8/6
- k. Email Inbox worked on Inbox 7/9, 7/14 (116 down to 65), 7/18, 7/23, 7/25, Archive at 6 on 7/7
- 1. Maintain pop fridge with AC, check payroll, recycle to KAC, updated FY25 Annual Report 8/9
- m. Mtgs/Trainings NRCS Teams Wildlife Str training 7/8, online OMA 7/8 and FOIA 7/9, Summer Conf. 7/21-7/22

#### III. Education/Outreach

- a. Radio Ad w/ Tyler G. & Jay R. emailed 7/25 for 8/8 (well demo, CC cs, newsletter out with all fall sales, soil kits, Plantskydd, cp43 highlight)
- b. Oak Tree Program 2026 location is Victoria Cemetery. Plan to call them before hunting season.
- c. IDOA Interview about Tim as a Conservation Planner 7/14
- d. Urban Ag emailed Knox Sustainable Center to connect them with Kindra 7/18
- e. 4-H Oak Tree signs called Sandy W. & left a msg 6/12, need to coordinate sign installation this summer
- f. 4th Grade Ag Day for Kids requested more NRCS tattoos 5/30, need to wash out new sand
- g. Website updates <a href="https://knoxcountyilswcd.wixsite.com/knox">https://knoxcountyilswcd.wixsite.com/knox</a> 207 hits since July report (14,990-14,783) 8/9

#### **Important Dates**

8/20, Wed. 4pm SWCD Board Mtg 9/2, Tues, 10am Well Demo, Moffitt's 9/11, Thurs, IDOA Training in Henry County (and Katie's 2 year anniversary!!!) 9/17, Wed. 7 pm SWCD Board Mtg 9/17, Wed. fall tree and plant orders due 10/2-10/6 Thurs – Mon, Kara off

RC IDOA Progress Report Tracking – (7/8 - 8/8) need to list 1/1 - 2/9 also

- Customer in office -7/9, 7/16, 7/24, 7/25, 8/4, 8/5, (4) 8/6 = 10
- Phone -7/8, 7/9 (2), (2) 7/11, 7/14, 7/15, 7/17, (2) 7/23, 7/25, 7/28, 7/29, 8/1, 8/4 (3), (5) 8/5, (4) 8/7, (4) 8/8 = 30
- Customer Map work 0
- Field visits -7/9, (4) 7/11 = 5

# **Administrative Report**

## August 2025

#### **Administrative**

- General board meeting preparations
- Quickbooks
- Reconciled bank statements, printed and mailed checks
- Maintained and updated Facebook page
- Payroll
- Renewed CD's
- Sales bookkeeping and customer pickup prep
- Newsletter: finalized and sent out to 1760 people thru mail and email
- Briefly looked into hiring our own personal shred truck- all of the companies required email/phone number for a personal quote, tried one in July and have not heard back from them yet

#### **Technical**

- Warren County NRI: Have not received the application as of 8/12, going to be for one single wind tower
- Working on 2 CRP contracts myself
- Working on my "RMS Plans" to complete conservation planner level 3 requirement
- Another level 3 training in Jacksonville on 8/13 all day

## **Education**

- Offered to work Illinois Farm Progress Show for Association morning of 8/28, have not gotten confirmation on whether they need me or not
- Next education events are the Well Sealing Demo 9/2 & 5th Grade Education Day 9/18

#### <u>Sales</u>

- Fall Tree Sale: orders due 9/17, customer pickup 9/26
- Fall Fish Sale: grass carp orders due 10/3, all others due 10/15 customer pickup 10/24
- Winter Fish Sale: orders due 11/5, customer pickup 11/14

## **Miscellaneous**



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#### BLWR REPORT – July / August 2025

#### PARTNERS FOR CONSERVATION FUND

Deadlines: Balances:

FY 24 PFC December 15, 2025 FY 24 PFC \$ 1,789,997.69

With nearly \$1.8 million remaining in FY24 PFC, and less than 5 months to spend the funds, it is time to follow up with landowners and emphasize the timeliness of completing their projects. A PFC 10 form is attached to this report and is due the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month beginning in August. Please keep your Regional Representative updated on cost share spending progress or with any issues which have arisen. Encourage your landowners to communicate with contractors regarding project deadlines as contractors become extremely busy once harvest begins. Any uncommitted funds should be transferred as quickly as possible so that the receiving district will have time to spend funds. Please contact your Regional Representative about transferring cost-share dollars or your SWCD's need for additional funds.

A note about PFC Projects and cultural resources clearance: **IDOA** will **not** be facilitating any PFC Funds transfers for any project that has not cleared the cultural resources process at the time of the transfer request. Please ensure that your project is surveyed, designed, and has cleared cultural resources before requesting additional PFC funds.

Please remember to submit, for pre-approval, projects with estimated total cost of \$10,000 or greater. PFC 1 - 1B, Wetland Screening Form, and the "checked and approved" construction packet should be emailed to your Regional Representative. Construction packets that have not been checked and approved with appropriate Engineering Job Approval will be rejected.

Please remember that waterways using the crop-season scenario must be started and completed during the crop-season, and all crop season waterway claims must be submitted for approval by **October 1**<sup>st</sup>. Otherwise, the crop-season scenario cannot be used.

#### **HEALTHY SOILS INITIATIVE (FIELD SESSION)**

Following are the dates and locations for the upcoming ISAP in-field Soil Health Training:

#### September 3:

Farmer Host: Mark Litteken

Location: 12555 Poetker Road, Aviston, IL 62216 (Clinton County)

Please RSVP to Deb Gray - Deborah.gray@illinois.gov

#### September 9:

Farmer Host: Joe Rothermal

Location: 320 CR 2300 East, Broadlands, IL 61816 (Champaign County)

Please RSVP to Nikki Moore - Nikki.moore@illinois.gov

#### September 11:

Farmer Host: Brian Corkill

Location: 339 W South Street, Kewanee, IL 61443 (Henry County) Please RSVP to Shelly Steging – Shelly.steging@illinois.gov

Please RSVP by August 22 to the corresponding Regional Representative listed beside your desired training date / location. Please keep in mind, these sessions are in the FIELD, so plan accordingly with proper attire.

#### **FY25 GRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT**

All FY25 Grant Agreement Amendments (PFC cost share) have been returned and are being processed for approval and payment.

#### **RC VERIFICATION**

The districts are REQUIRED to employ a Resource Conservationist who possesses the necessary technical expertise to provide technical assistance to meet the requirements of the grant agreement.

"Pursuant to 70 ILCS 405/26, at a minimum, Grantee is required to have access to the technical services of a Resource Conservationist. If a Resource Conservationist is not currently employed by the Grantee, then the Grantee shall hire a Resource Conservationist or obtain the technical services of another Illinois Soil and Water Conservation District's Resource Conservationist from an adjacent county via Intergovernmental Agreement within 90 days of the execution of this Grant Agreement."

Grantee shall document that those technical services have been obtained through the "SWCD PERSONNEL STATUS FORM" (HIRE) or an Intergovernmental Agreement. A copy of the completed personnel status form or an Intergovernmental Agreement shall be provided to the Grantor. We have sent out forms to verify whether the district meets this condition or not. RC verification forms are due **August 15, 2025.** 

#### **EQUIPMENT OR PROPERTY PURCHASED**

The district should have received the Equipment or Property Purchased form in an email from their Regional Representative. Please use the form to report purchases of equipment or property using state funds in FY24 or FY25. If no purchases were made, please check the box, have the chairman sign, and send it back to your Regional Rep. These forms are due no later than **August 15, 2025**.

#### S.T.A.R. – SAVING TOMORROW'S AGRICULTURE RESOURCES

S.T.A.R., developed in 2017 by the Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District, is a means for farmers to evaluate their current production system and helps identify areas for improvement as they work toward the state's NLRS goals. All PFC cost share recipients must complete a STAR field form and are evaluated on their cropping system, tillage, nutrient application, and soil conservation / soil health practices. The current available STAR form must be used when submitting PFC projects for payment authorization.

Access S.T.A.R. information and the CY25 form at: starfreetool.com, and please note all participants are subject to S.T.A.R. verification. A valid email address is required for both the PFC-1 and STAR Field form. **Producers should be made aware that documentation to specific field responses may be required if the project is selected for random verification.** Following the rules of the STAR Program is a condition of the PFC cost-share program and grant agreement. Failure to comply will result in termination from receiving state benefits or repayment of cost-share. The FY25 PFC 1-1B does not require attaching the S.T.A.R. form when making a claim; simply include S.T.A.R. scoring information (STAR points, STAR Rating, STAR ID#) on the form prior to submitting the claim for payment to your Regional Representative.

#### **STAR VERIFICATION REMINDER**

We're in the final round of CY24 verification, and for the first time we're using the STAR Tool's new built-in verification feature. This round includes 54 randomly selected fields statewide.

IDOA has confirmed: If a farmer is participating in PFC, they must complete STAR verification if selected. Farmers have already been notified via an automated email from the STAR Tool, and an AIM Conservation Planner (Planner) has been assigned to each case. Planners have been reaching out to farmers directly and coordinating with local NRCS and SWCD offices.

We need your SWCD'S help. If a farmer enrolled in PFC through your district has been selected and is ignoring verification requests from the Planner, it's important for your office to follow up. Please remind them that completing

verification is required for PFC eligibility - both for this year's payment and future participation.

How it works: Farmers can upload documentation directly into the STAR Tool (things like seed invoices, planter or harvest logs, application logs, dated imagery, etc.). If they do this, the assigned planner only needs to log in and approve it. But most farmers don't take this step on their own, which is why your support is critical. The Planner can upload documentation on behalf of the farmer, if the farmer sends it over.

To see which of your farmers were selected, log into your STAR Navigator account at STARtool.ag, click "2024" under "Filter by Year" on the Field List page, then select the "Field Form Selected for Verification" card.

STAR Verifications are due by August 31. Please reach out with questions to Natalie Kerr.

Email: Natalie@STARconservation.org Phone: 217-766-3934.

#### **FY26 GRANT AGREEMENTS**

During the last grant cycle, there were a couple of districts that had major issues in renewing numbers that had expired and held up their grant funding. The bureau cannot stress enough the importance of maintaining compliance by not letting SAM.gov numbers expire or waiting to the last minute to renew. Regional Representatives have been following up with districts ineligible to receive FY26 grant funds, but ultimately it is the SWCD's responsibility to monitor when numbers are set to expire or if items such as ICQ are current and submitted. The Bureau reminders are only complimentary and only trying to prevent delays.

Most districts just need to complete the ICQ for FY26. The ICQ is completed in the GATA portal and must be done **every fiscal year**. If it shows as "unsubmitted," it means they started the ICQ but did not submit to IDOA.

It is recommended to start the SAM.gov renewal process 45 days prior to the renewal date. Expiration dates are pulled from the GATA portal which means we cannot see if they started or completed the renewal prior to the date listed. If the GATA system shows "UEI not found," the district should first confirm the UEI number in the GATA portal is correct. If it is correct, the district's SAM.gov account is probably set to "Private" and the GATA system will need to be updated manually. This is done by emailing screen shots from the SAM.gov system, showing the UEI and new expiration date, to <a href="MB.GATA@illinois.gov">MB.GATA@illinois.gov</a>.

#### **SWCD AUDITS AND END OF YEAR FINANCIAL REPORTING**

The Bureau has been receiving questions regarding the level of income or revenue received by SWCDs that triggers an official audit. Under the Governmental Account Audit Act, SWCDs receiving total income or revenue of \$850,000 or more are required to prepare an official audit. Of course, SWCDs have the discretion of doing an audit or FMP when the total amount is under \$850,000. The \$200,000 threshold, as identified in the District Operational Handbook, is no longer applicable to the audit issue.

As a reminder, end of fiscal year financial reporting is due to your Regional Representative by **November 1, 2025**.

#### **2026 SWCD DISTRICT DIRECTOR ELECTIONS**

Election time is rapidly approaching; notice must be published 90 days in advance. Please review your election materials or consult with your Regional Representative with any questions concerning the election process. Elections must be conducted in January or February and then boards reorganize during the March board meeting. **No election can be held after February 28**. Election petitions are due to your regional rep at least 20 days but not more than 60 days prior to the election. All other election materials are due to your Regional Representative by **April 1, 2026**.

#### **WATER USE ACT OF 1983**

BLWR continues to work to administer this Act alongside various Soil and Water Conservation Districts and the IEPA to assist applicants constructing and planning new high-pressure wells.

#### AGRICULTURAL AREAS CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION ACT

The Annual Report letters will be coming out to districts in the next month or so. We will again be asking for District's help in confirming changes to the Ag Areas in their county. County Boards must vote and approve all revisions, deletions, or additions to each Ag Area in their county. Your assistance helps us to ensure that the Annual Report is correct. Currently, there are 124,672 acres enrolled in Agricultural Areas that represent 60 separate areas in 24 counties.

#### **ILLINOIS FARMLAND PRESERVATION**

The Annual Illinois Farmland Conversion Report will be compiled in early March 2026. We are working with the Inter-Agency Committee Members on Farmland Preservation to compile and track the total acres converted to non-aguses because of statewide funded incentives and grants.

#### **FEDERAL FARMLAND PROTECTION**

We continue to review projects that receive state and/or federal funds that convert agricultural land for their compliance with the Federal Farmland Protection Act.

#### **AGRICULTURAL IMPACT MITIGATION AGREEMENTS**

Currently the total number of AIMA processed is 1,692.

Approximate breakout of total AIMAs by project type: Solar 1,568; Wind 69; Transmission 17; Pipelines 38.

#### **MINED LAND RECLAMATION**

SWCDs with reclaimed mined lands in their districts have received requests for the County Crop acreage file information and this is due back August 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **NEW ADDITIONS TO BLWR TEAM**

Jenna L. Moore is our new Office Coordinator.

Harrison Chumley and Sean M. McIntyre have joined the team as Agricultural Land & Water Resources Specialists.

#### **REPORTS DUE**

**RC Verification Report** August 15, 2025 Equipment Purchases Report August 15, 2025 FY26 Budget September 15, 2025 FY26 Annual Plan of Work September 15, 2025 PFC 10 August 15, 2025 FY24 9<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Operations October 10, 2025 FY25 5<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Operations October 10, 2025 FMP II or Audit November 1, 2025 Internal Control Checklist November 1, 2025

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ATTACHMENTS: PFC 10 Transmittal Checklist FMP ICC From: Fishers and Farmers

To: <u>Downin, Kara - FPAC-NRCS, IL</u>

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**Date:** Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:00:27 PM

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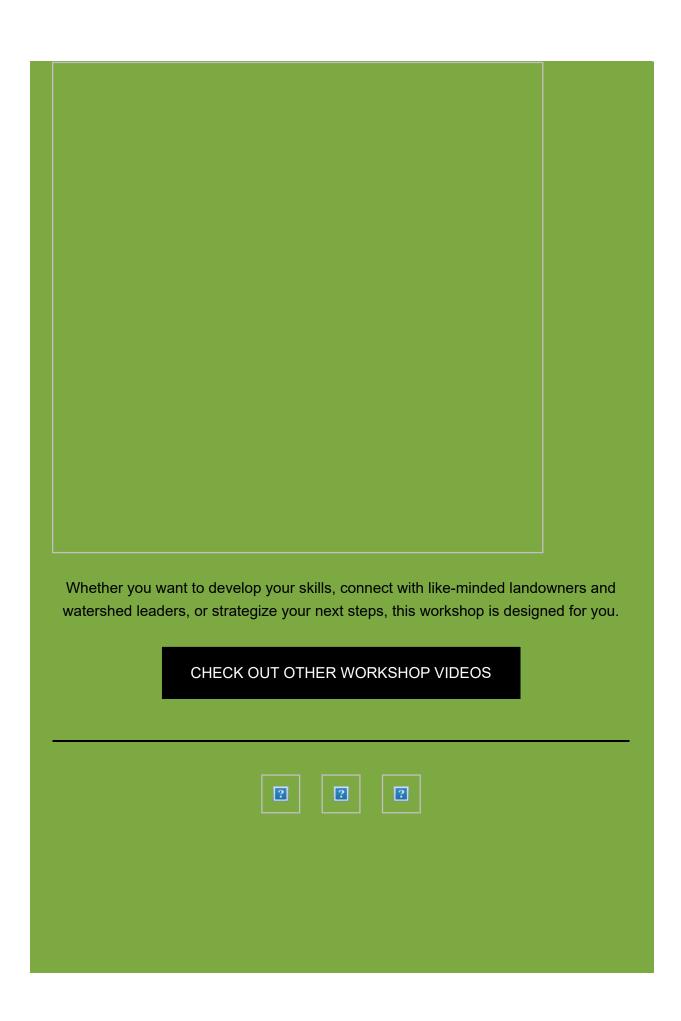
# Exciting news! The Next FFP Workshop scheduled and registration is officially OPEN!

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## Day 1

The first day of the workshop kicked off with a field day event where local farmer, Nathan Koester showcased his organic sheep grazing operation in partnership with small grain and no-till bean production. Attendees also got to see a rain simulator demonstration showing how various soil management practices impact water runoff.

Following lunch, the group gathered at Chestnut Mountain Resort for a series of welcoming stories and introductions. The day focused on listening and storytelling, beginning with a check-in circle where participants shared what brought them to the workshop. Stories from local farmers highlighted the economic and emotional impacts of regenerative farming practices, offering real-world insights into conservation, multigenerational efforts, and the role of livestock.

The day concluded with story-sharing in triads, where participants reflected on their personal journeys and considered the question: "What kind of ancestor do I want to be?" This set the tone for deep reflection and collaborative conversation, framing the rest of the workshop.

#### Day 2

Day 2 started with a group reflection on key insights and opportunities that emerged. Through a World Café session, participants explored what was working well in their communities, the challenges they faced, and the possibilities for more regenerative farming practices and collaboration between agencies and farmers. The afternoon offered space for affinity groups to discuss specific regional and thematic challenges, from building watershed health coalitions to measuring the impact of soil and stream restoration efforts. Participants were encouraged to identify actions they could take together to catalyze change in their areas.

The day closed with an open space for participants to dive deeper into conversations of their choice, followed by a harvest session where the group shared their insights. As plans took shape for Day 3, participants were invited to continue building connections over dinner and evening activities at Chestnut Mountain.

## Day 3

On the final day, participants focused on translating insights into concrete plans through the "Design for Wiser Action" process. Teams collaborated to address specific needs and outline the next best steps, refining their ideas through multiple rounds of discussion and synthesis.

The plans developed and ready for implementation include:

- Build Network of Support for New Adopters | Transitional Mentor Program
- Connect Interested Landowners w/those Currently Practicing | Speed Dating for Soil Health
- Coon Creek Flooding | Strategic Crisis Response for Ag
- Making Data Sharing & Collaboration Easier | Increasing Cross Collaboration Between Farmer Led Groups on a County/State Level
- Fields of Sinsinawa | Be the Hub for Starting Farmer Led Groups (action plan shown below)
- The day concluded with reflection on key takeaways and discussions about ways to stay connected for continued collaboration. The workshop wrapped up with plans for the next gathering in central Illinois, ensuring momentum would continue.
- As an added bonus, workshop participants were also treated to an electrofishing demonstration conducted by members of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and Iowa Soybean Association.

# KNOX COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ANNUAL PLAN OF WORK FISCAL YEAR 2026

[updated FY25 APOW]

# **Ongoing**

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FY2026 - 1.6.3, 1.7.5, 3.3.2, 3.4.2, 4.3.1, 4.5.2, 5.1.4c

<u>Goal 1:</u> Sustain and enhance existing conservation programs for the preservation of the natural resources of Knox County. <u>Ongoing</u>

**Objective 1.1:** Continue to administer the current IDOA Grant Agreement, to include the Partners For Conservation (PFC) Grant program.

**Strategy 1.1.1:** Promote the currently approved conservation practice lists. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 1.1.2:** Continue to investigate landowner and operator natural resource concerns; providing information on practices, as requested. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 1.1.3:** Explore and demonstrate new practices utilizing the PFC Special Project program. Ongoing

**Strategy 1.1.4:** Annually Inspect 20% of the completed PFC practices that are still under their 10-year contract. Inspect oldest projects first (well sealings are excluded). **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 1.1.5:** Regularly review and obtain IDOA Grant Agreement Performance Measures and Standards. **Ongoing** 

**Objective 1.2:** Annually monitor a third of the IDNR Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program: Grant of Conservation Right & Easements. **Ongoing** 

**Objective 1.3:** Maintain current NRCS Cooperative Agreement, AISWCD CRP FY26 Extension.

Objective 1.4: Maintain AISWCD position on Forestry sub-Committee. Ongoing

**Objective 1.5:** Consider renewing the IEPA agreement for NPDES permit inspections if it is offered in the future if staff has kept the CPESC Certification. **Ongoing** 

**Objective 1.6:** Continue progress with Walnut Creek watershed as time permits.

**Objective 1.7:** Follow the lead of our Local Working Group (LWG). Per the LWG 2014 minutes, the natural resource priorities for Knox County are, in order; Soil Quality, Water Quality and Quantity, Woodland Quantity and Quality, Well Water conservation and quality management, Noxious weed control. **Host Local Work Group meeting or survey. FY2026.** 

**Strategy 1.7.1:** Soil Quality = Soil Health. Promote soil health practices; conservation cover crops, nutrient management, build organic matter, less tillage, diverse rotations, etc. Work with IDOA to complete RCPP Grant and develop a Knox County "Soil Health Model Farm". **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 1.7.2:** Promote IL Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy (i.e. water quality practices; wetlands, filter strips, riparian buffers, field borders, drainage water management, conservation cover crops, stream bank projects, etc.) Focus on: NLRS priority watersheds that include Knox County, impaired watersheds as determined by the most current IEPA 303 (d) list of impaired waters. **Ongoing** 

Partner with Illinois Sustainable Ag Partnership and The Nature Conservancy to complete the pilot Batch and Build Grant for edge of field practices in the four Knox County high nitrate priority watersheds.

**Strategy 1.7.3:** Promote Woodland Quantity through forestry management, invasive/noxious weed control, and erosion control in timber. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 1.7.4:** Well Water conservation and quality management. Promote annual well water testing and sealing abandoned wells. Hold annual well sealing demonstration in different areas around the county. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 1.7.5:** Noxious weed control. Educate landowners/operators on noxious weed control methods, diversification of chemicals, and management. Collaborate with Extension to hold an education seminar. Link references to our website. **FY2026** 

**Objective 1.8:** Continue to provide Natural Resource Information Letters or Full Reports to the Knox County Zoning Board of Appeals to supply them with natural resource Facts and Findings, as requested. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 1.8.1**: Solar Farms/Gardens Zoning requests – refer to 2018-2019 completed NRI reports on this topic. Offer seeding recommendations of short natives to grow under panels. Utilize IDOA Ag Impact Mitigation Agreement for Solar. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 1.8.2:** Wind Farm Zoning request – refer to 2020 completed report. Utilize IDOA Wind Ag Impact Mitigation Agreement. **Ongoing** 

**Goal 2:** Continue & enhance partnerships to actively promote conservation of natural resources.

**Objective 2.1:** Maintain current partnerships (and promote our partner's programs to landowners and operators). Establish new partnerships when appropriate.

Strategy 2.1.1: Continue to foster Local Partnerships/County level. Ongoing

- o Land Use Council #4 Staff & Knox Co. SWCD Board LUC delegate attends all meetings.
- o Knox County Board Enhance County Board knowledge of our programs and expertise.
- o Municipalities Promote work with all municipalities.
- Pheasants Forever continue partnership on education/outreach events and CRP workload with Farm Bill Biologist.
- Farm Bureau Continue to work with the Ag Literacy Program Coordinators and identify opportunities to collaborate.
- o Educational Institutions identify opportunities to collaborate.

Strategy 2.1.2: Continue to foster State Partnerships. Ongoing

- o IDOA
- o IDNR Utilize local IDNR staff, Fisheries Biologist, Forester, Wildlife Biologist, etc.
- o U of I Extension promote Monarch Migration program & identify future collaboration.

**Goal 3:** Maintain and increase the financial diversity of the Knox County SWCD.

Objective 3.1: Continue to utilize current sources of revenue. Ongoing

**Strategy 3.1.1:** Maintain database of current sources of revenue and sponsors and for what events/workload that they support. Incorporate whether the source is private or government (local, state, and federal). **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 3.1.2:** Seek new donations from sources to sponsor events and programming that match the source objectives (i.e. Logan Hollow sponsored Pond Training). **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 3.1.3:** Maximize existing Grant Agreements with all partners to allow for full utilization of that funding source. **Ongoing** 

Objective 3.2: Continue to manage and grow the revenue through a variety of local financial and investment institutions, maintaining the highest rate of return. Ongoing

Strategy 3.2.1: Utilize the Investment Policy and seek the best rate of return while keeping some funds liquid. Ongoing

**Objective 3.3:** Diversify new sources of revenue and sponsorship. **Ongoing.** 

**Strategy 3.3.2:** When considering potential new partnerships/grants that would create new workload, hold discussions between board and staff to evaluate the additional workload and available staff time/resources. (Example sources: Galesburg Community Foundation, Trees Forever, Living Lands and Water, etc.) **FY2026** 

Objective 3.4: Strive to keep overall expenses down and accurate. Ongoing.

Strategy 3.4.2: Conduct an annual financial review on odd fiscal years. FY2026

**Goal 4:** Maintain and enhance the organization of the Knox County SWCD.

**Objective 4.1:** Maintain a comfortable and inviting working environment **Strategy 4.1.1:** Encourage employees to work together as a team and share with the board any suggestions for an improved working environment. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 4.1.2:** Keep office equipment up-to-date and in good working condition. **Ongoing** 

**Objective 4.2:** Recommend, encourage, and support the professional expertise of staff and board members. **Strategy 4.2.1:** Continue to seek training opportunities for staff and board. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 4.2.2:** Encourage staff and board involvement in job-related professional organizations. **Ongoing** 

**Objective 4.3:** Evaluate the SWCD workload to determine whether additional staff is needed, a change in current staff hours, or if an intern would be useful during peak workload times.

**Strategy 4.3.1:** Develop activities and job descriptions that could be led by a SWCD intern and/or volunteers. Consider additional staff to focus on enhancing education events and marketing of sales/services. **FY2026** 

**Objective 4.5:** Continue to seek diversity in staff, board, and associate directors.

**Strategy 4.5.1:** Consider the board's strengths and weaknesses when recruiting new board members. (i.e. at least one member who is personnel-minded, one who is business-minded, represents various locations around the county, etc.) **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 4.5.2:** Expand the number of Associate Directors to utilize others' interests and skill set to benefit the Mission of the District. **FY2026** 

**Objective 4.6:** Maintain Knox County SWCD Policies, to include records retention.

**Strategy 4.6.1:** Directors and staff will annually review, update, and sign-off on all Knox County SWCD Policies at the November or December board meeting. **Ongoing** 

**Goal 5:** Maintain Knox County SWCD education/outreach programs. Ongoing

**Objective 5.1:** Maintain the overall education plan (pre-K through adult).

**Strategy 5.1.3:** Adult Education - Annual Meetings are outdoor education events on odd Fiscal Years. Invite State and Federal Legislators, media, partners, and volunteers. Even Fiscal Year Annual Meetings will be a brief meeting prior to a regular board meeting in December of that year.

**Strategy 5.1.5:** Continue participation in current youth education outreach efforts until education plan is completed. Events include Pre-K City of Galesburg Recreation Touch-A-Truck, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Environmental Education Day, Pheasants Forever 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor Event, Farm Bureau 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Ag Day for Kids, R.O.E. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor Education Day, Extension 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Real World Event, LUC 4 Envirothon, sponsor 4-H plaques, and Sanford Memorial scholarship. **Ongoing** 

**Objective 5.2:** Maintain the District's outreach program

**Strategy 5.2.1:** Submit articles on timely topics in our newsletter. Twice per year. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 5.2.2:** Invite media to events and submit news briefs and/or press releases with photos on our sales, programming, education events, county Envirothon winner, scholarship winner, etc. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 5.2.3:** Speaking engagements – Accept invitations for public speaking about the District, as time permits. Conduct monthly radio interviews on sales, programming, or other events/timely topics. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 5.2.4:** Maintain two newsletters per year in spring and fall to promote sales programs. Seek ads to offset costs. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 5.2.5:** Maintain Wix.com website and Facebook page. Update website at least monthly when preparing board reports. Update Facebook weekly. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 5.2.7:** Build a presence at local community events. **Ongoing** 

**Strategy 5.2.8:** Share educational resources with other area agricultural education entities (i.e. other SWCDs, schools, etc.) **Ongoing** 

**Goal 6:** Provide assistance in accordance with EEO and Civil Rights Regulations. Ongoing.

**Objective 6.1:** Achieve understanding by all staff of GM-230 part 405, Sec. 13, District Conservationist, annually.

**Objective 6.2:** Career council all potential employees on EEO and Civil Rights provisions. District Conservationist, ongoing.

**Objective 6.3:** Work with female landowners and other underrepresented groups to promote participation in programs, All Staff, ongoing.

**Objective 6.4:** Make special effort to provide assistance to limited resource and handicapped producers, All Staff, ongoing.

**Objective 6.5:** Review the Civil Rights provisions of the Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding with SWCD Board, District Conservationist, annually.

**Objective 6.6:** Uphold Ethics Resolution policy adopted by the SWCD Board and Staff, Staff, District Board, ongoing.

**Objective 6.7:** Accommodation statement on meeting Notices, All Staff, ongoing.

## Company name: Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District

Budget name: FY\_2025\_2026
Budget type: Profit and loss
Period: FY 2026 (Jul 2025 - Jun 2026)

## Consolidated

Accounts	Budget totals
Income	
4000 DNR CREP Reimbursements	\$16280.00
4100 IDOA Operations	\$50181.00
4200 NRCS Contribution Agreement	\$35000.00
4201 NRCS Administrative Agreement	\$0.00
Total 4200 NRCS Contribution Agreement	\$35000.00
4300 IDOA Program	
4300.02 CPP-Cost Share	\$33110.34
4300.03 Special Projects	
4300.04 ISAP Batch & Build	\$40000.00
Total 4300 IDOA Program	\$73110.34
4400 Sales	\$42000.00
4601 IEPA Agreement	\$0.00
4800 Interest-1	\$2800.00
4800.1 CPP	
Total 4800 Interest-1	\$2800.00
4900 Event Sponsorship	*******
4901 Reimbursements	\$3700.00
4901.01 Bank Charges Refund	\$5700.00
Total 4901 Reimbursements	\$3700.00
4903 Newsletter Advertising	\$2200.00
4904 Knox County Tax Levy	\$5860.65
4905 NRI Report/Letters	\$10000.00
4999 Uncategorized Income	\$10000.00
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on inves	
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Accounts	Budget totals
5150.02 Health Ins-AC	
5150.03 Life Insurance	\$112.32
5150.04 Retirement	\$2030.00
5150.08 Short Term Disability	\$541.32
5150.09 Long Term Disability	\$324.64
Total 5150 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$3008.28
810 RC Summer Conference	
813 AC Summer Conference	
Total 5100 PAYROLL EXPENSES	\$115876.43
5200 PROGRAM EXPENSE	
5200.02 SSRP Project	
5200.04 CPP Projects	\$33110.34
5200.09 CREP Projects	\$10000.00
5200.10 ISAP Batch & Build	\$20000.00
Total 5200 PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$63110.34
5250 EDUCATION AND PROMOTION	
5250.01 Adult Education	\$2500.00
5250.02 Envirothon	\$200.00
Total 5250 EDUCATION AND PROMOTION	\$2700.00
5300 INSURANCE	
5300.01 US Liability Insurance	\$1135.00
5300.02 General Liability-Troxell	\$500.00
5300.03 Worker Compensation	\$500.00
5300.05 General Liability-AISWCD	\$350.00
Total 5300 INSURANCE	\$2485.00
5400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	·
5400.01 Legal	\$500.00
5400.02 Accounting	\$3200.00
Total 5400 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$3700.00
5420 Honararia and Awards	
5420.01 Scholarship	\$500.00
5420.02 Memorial/Donations	\$250.00
5420.03 4-H plaques	\$50.00
Total 5420 Honararia and Awards	\$800.00
6000 OFFICE EXPENSE	\$0.00
6000.01 Internet	\$435.00
6000.02 Printing/Copying	\$250.00
6000.03 Computer and office supplies	\$100.00
6100.04 Recycling	\$320.00
Total 6000 OFFICE EXPENSE	\$1105.00
6005 Bank Charges	\$1105.00
6010 DELIVERY	άα <b>τ</b> ο οο
6010.01 Postage	\$250.00
6010.02 Shipping & Delivery	
Total 6010 DELIVERY	\$250.00
6030 DUES/PUBLICATIONS/SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$0.00
6030.01 Membership Dues	\$3200.00
6030.02 Newsletter	\$4000.00
6030.03 Subscriptions	\$0.00
Total 6030 DUES/PUBLICATIONS/SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$7200.00
6050 TRAVEL	\$0.00
6050.01 Transportation	
6050.02 Lodging	\$600.00
6050.03 Parking, Tolls, etc.	
6050.04 Mileage	\$100.00
6050.05 Director Mileage	\$2100.00

Accounts	Budget totals
Total 6050 TRAVEL	\$2800.00
6051 MEALS AND ENTERTAINMENT	
6051.01 Meals	\$500.00
6051.02 Director Payments	
Total 6051 MEALS AND ENTERTAINMENT	\$500.00
6060 CONFERENCES/TRAINING	\$0.00
6060.01 Registration	\$600.00
Total 6060 CONFERENCES/TRAINING	\$600.00
6100 REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	
6100.02 Office Equipment	\$0.00
Total 6100 REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$0.00
6150 VEHICLE EXPENSE	\$500.00
6150.01 Gas/Oil/Maintenance	
6150.04 Repairs	
Total 6150 VEHICLE EXPENSE	\$500.00
6200 RENT	
6200.01 Facilities	
6200.02 Equipment	
Total 6200 RENT	\$0.00
6500 Reimbursed Expenses	
66900 Reconciliation Discrepancies	
6999 Uncategorized Expenses	
7000 Balance Adjustments	
8999 Uncategorized Expense	
Christmas/Admin Pro Day	\$100.00
Purchases	
Unapplied Cash Bill Payment Expense	
Total Expense	\$201726.77
Other Income	
Other Expense	
3008 RC Life Insurance	
7100 DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION	
7100.01 Depreciation	
Total 7100 DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION	\$0.00
Reconciliation Discrepancies-1	
Total Other Expense	\$0.00
Total Net Income	\$2905.22

Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 9:53 AM CDT



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# **Natural Resource Information Report Application**

		For Office Use C			
File #: Fee:\$	/D1 1 1	ck payable to <i>Knox</i> (	20		
NRI Fee: Full Report Letter: \$50 Wind Turbi	(Please make che : \$265.00 for up to 5 acres an .00 Staff will determine whet nes: \$200 per turbine. Switc rt will not be started u	nd \$25.00 for each action a letter or a full thing Station: \$200 p	dditional acre or preport will be necepter station.	essary. s received: a	
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Petitioner's Name:_			Phone <u>:(</u>	)	
Contact Person:					
Address:			Email:		
1)	Township/Range Or Name		Acı	res	
			el Size:		
Current Zoning:	Requested Z				
Current Use of Site:	Proposed Us	se:			
Proposed Water Supply:	Private Well	Comm	unity Water		
Proposed Wastewater Tr	eatment:Septic System	Sanitar	y Sewer	_Other	
Proposed Stormwater Pla	ans:Ditches/Swail	sWet De	etention Basin _	Storm Sewer	
	Dry Detention	n BasinNo Det	ention Facilities		
Knox County SWCD has	s 30 calendar days to comple	te the NRI after all fo	our components o	f the application	n are received.
* plan map, prelimin prj, .sbn, .sbx, .shp,	ary survey, shapefiles fo and .shx)	or Google Earth .	kml, .kmz,, or c	all six shapef	iles for ArcMap .dbf,
investigation of the parce approval by the Knox Co	the applicant that filling out to el(s) described above. Furthe ounty SWCD Board of Direct month, unless otherwise sch	ermore, this report be tors at their regularly	ecomes subject to	the Freedom of	Information Act after
Contact Person or Petitioner's Signature: Date:					



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# USDA Release of Information to Knox County SWCD

to review the Knox County Zoning request

Landowner Name:	
Address:	-
Phone Number:	=
Legal Description: Township Name: Or	, Section:, 1/4 Section:
Parcel Index Number	
If known, Farm number, Tract number	er
I authorize the United States Department of Agricultant Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Or regarding this parcel of ground including, but not limited information, and NRCS Program info regarding EQ in the case file that is important for the reason of this	ffices to release any and all information nited to, Tract Map, wetlands, CRP IP or CSP or other information that may be
It is to be understood by the applicant that filling out this application give investigation of the parcel(s) described above. Furthermore, this report be approval by the Knox County SWCD Board of Directors at their next reg the third Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise scheduled.	ecomes subject to the Freedom of Information Act after
Landowner Signature:	Date <u>:</u>