

# Looking Back on 2006...



## Accomplishments

Project	Number Completed	Federal/State Funds Cost Share/Incentive paid to landowners
Conservation Tillage	7 contracts	\$125,667.00
Waterways	50 waterways	\$240,864.00
Terrace Systems	6 systems	\$21,000.00
Ag Waste System	2	\$177,991.00
Windbreaks	4 projects	
CRP Buffers	316 acres	\$363,444.00
CRP Wetland Restorations	86 acres	\$159,960.00
CREP	82 acres	\$373,226.69
Trees and Shrubs	23,135	
Tech Asst Private Restorations	240 acres	
Ag Best Management Low Interest Loan Program		
Total Loan \$\$ Approved in 2006	22 Applications	\$432,910.47
<b>Total Program Dollars</b>		<b>\$1,895,063.16</b>



2006  
Conservation  
Farmers—  
Ray & Donna  
Cerise



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Bev Nordby, District Manager  
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Jeanne Crump, Administrative Assistant  
Matt Taylor, District Technician  
Mike Muzzy, NRCS District Conservationist  
Jackie Byam, NRCS Technician



## 2006 Highlights and Events

- Coordination of Flood Reduction Committees
- Assisted Mower County with Establishment Petition for Cedar River Watershed District
- Assisted 57 customers with native grass and planting services
- Assisted 267 requests for construction in potential wetland areas
- Mike Muzzy and Jackie Byam secured \$290,000.00 in EQIP funds to landowners.
- Implementation of CREP II in Southeast Minnesota
- Ray and Donna Cerise are 2006 Conservation Farmers
- Wrote \$560,000 Clean Water Legacy Application that was funded for SE Minnesota
- Bev was appointed by the Governor to the selection committee for the LCCMR committee.
- Worked with Farm Bureau on their "Breakfast on the Farm" day.
- Jeanne Crump and Peter Marx completed a 2 year leadership course.
- Justin Hanson and Matt Taylor assisted the City of Austin with a tree & native grass planting in Dreisner Park.
- Hosted a Conservation Landscaping workshop for urban/rural residents.
- After several years of planning, Rick Morrison, County Drainage Inspector, received the go ahead to start and complete the clean out of County Ditch 1.