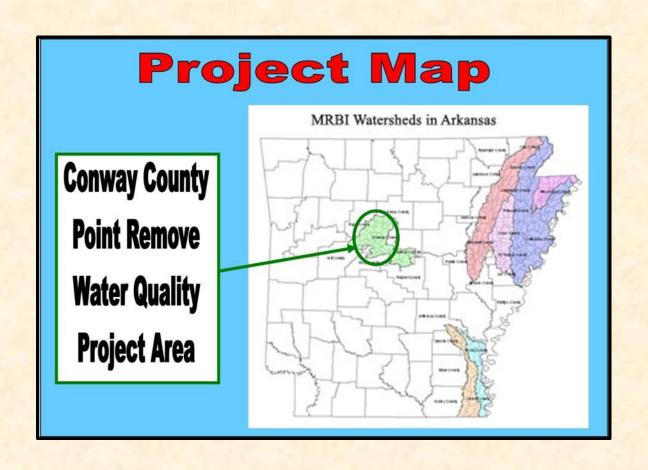


Conway County Point Remove Water Quality Project Area



9 Sub Watersheds Involved in this Project

- Overcup Creek
- Barnes Branch EFPR
- Miller Bayou Arkansas River
- Point Remove Creek
- Devil's Creek West Fork

- Portland Bottoms –
 Arkansas River
- Prairie Creek East Fork
 Point Remove
- Sunny Side Creek East Fork
- Kuhn Bayou

Project Purpose

Improve Water Quality by reducing soil erosion and improve waste management utilizing best management practices in the project area.



Equipment Purchased with Grant







Litter Spreader

The Litter Spreader was used to spread 5,019 tons of litter within the project area.



Outreach



- Newspaper Articles
- Facebook
- Local Television Station
- Newsletters

Newsletters

Conway County Point Remove Water Quality Project

Newsletter

July - September 2011

Conway County Conservation District Receives 319 Grant

The Conway County Conservation District received a 319 Grant from Arkansas Natural Resources Commission and the Environmental Protection Agency. The objective of this grant is for the improvement of water quality. Over time there has been an increase in demand for implementation of various best management practices including waste transfer, cover crop, pasture and hayland planting, nutrient management and waste utilization that will increase the demand.

Conservation District Adds

New Litter Spreader

The Conway County Conservation District has added an additional litter spreader to the list of rental equipment that is already available. Rental for the Litter Spreader is \$100.00 deposit, plus \$100.00 per day. In order to rent the Litter Spreader, you must come by the office to fill out a rental aereement and pay the deposit and first day's rental.

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The new Water Quality Technician for the Conway County Point Remove Water Quality Project is Aimee Self. Aimee has been with the Conway County Conservation District for 12 years and has previous experience writing Nutrient Management Plans. Aimee will be in charge of writing nutrient management plans for the project area, as well as, outreach for the project. If your farm is in the project area (see County Map on back page), contact Aimee for a Nutrient Management Plan.

Conway County Conservation District

Address: PO Box 478 207 Shady Lane Morrilton, AR 72110

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Cost Share Success

Conway County landowners were awarded over one million dollars in cost share for best management practices through the Mississippi River Basin Watershed Initiative. For information about the 2013 sign -up contact the Conway County Conservation and the Natural Resources Conservation Service located at 207 Shady Lane in Morrilton, Arkansas. Or landowners can call S01-354-2000, ext 3.

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Goal of the Conway Co. Point Remove Water Quality Project

The project goal is to help with the improvement of the water quality within the project area. There has been an increase in demand for implementation of various best management practices such as waste transfer, pasture and hayland planning, nutrient management, and waste utilization. This project grant aided in the purchase of a litter spreader to assist in meeting the demand for the area.

Why Do I Need A Nutrient Management Plan?

Reasons to have a Nutrient Management Plan written for your farm:

- Manage the Condition of the soils (Biological, Physical, & Chemical) for future production
- Minimized pollution from excess nutrients on surface & groundwater resources
 Maintain a sufficient supply of nutrients for plant production
- Make certain animal waste (i.e. poultry litter) present are maximized as a plant nutrient source

Economic Benefits of Nutrient Manangement Plans

Nutrient Management Plans can be very beneficial to operating a farm. Having a Nutrient Management Plan can help manage costs associated with nutrient input from commercial fertilizer and animal waste application. The best part is that Nutrient Management Plans are available at no cost to the landowner. The Conway County Conservation District is writing over 50 Nutrient Management plans for landowners in the project area. Contact Aimee Self, WQT for more information by calling 501-354-2000, ext. 110.



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The Conway County Conservation District has litter spreader available for landowners in the project area. There is a Spring 2013 special rental fee for the Litter Spreader that 5100.00 deposit, plus \$100.00 the first day with \$75.00 fee per consecutive additional day. To rent the Litter Spreader, come by the office to fill out a rental agreement & pay the deposit and first day's rental fee.

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Water Quality Tech.

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Field Days

- Litter Spreader
 Demonstration Day
- Grazing Field Days

Work Group Meetings



Litter Spreader Demonstration Day

May 7, 2013



Example 2 Litter Spreader Demonstration Field Day
Presented By: Natural Resources Conservation Service - Conway Co. Conservation District
UA Extension Service - Farm Service Agency
May 7, 2013
9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
9:00 to 9:10Welcome and Introduction Bill Deaton, Conway County Conservation District
9:10 to 9:20Farm Service Agency - Programs Debbie Bolin, Program Technician
9:20 to 9:30Farm Service Agency - Loans Garry Clements, Farm Loan Manager
9:30 to 9:40UA Extension Service
Kevin Van Pelt, County Agent
9:40 to 9:50
9:50 to 10:00
10:00 to 10:10Litter Spreader - Rental Procedure Aimee McClaren, District Manager Conway County Conservation District
10:10 to 10:20Explanation of Litter Spreader Operation Bill Deaver, Equipment Manager Conway County Conservation District
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Grazing Field Days



August 9, 2011

September 18, 2012

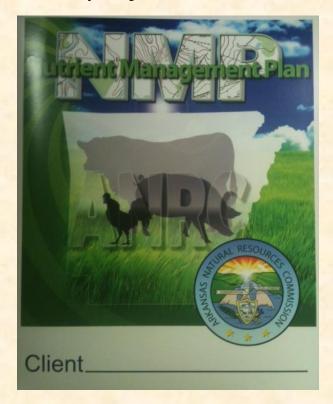


Nutrient Management Plans

50 Plans Required

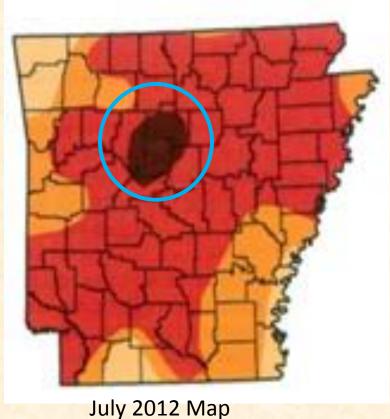
70 Plans Written

Covering over 10,038.06 acres of Land within the project area.



Obstacles Encountered

- Weather
 - Drought D4
 - Snow
- Delay of Delivery of **Equipment**
 - Laptop
 - Litter Spreader
- Laptop Crash



Conclusion

- 70 plans covering over 10,000 acres of land within the project area
- Project provided pertinent information for landowners to improve their land therefore improving water quality
- Project will be sustainable over the next five years due to litter spreader availability
- High participation in project area during project time and continuation of strong interest from Landowners at the end of project
- Encourage landowners outside of the area to seek conservation guidance and technical assistance