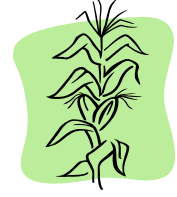


ANNOUNCING

FEDERAL AID FOR

CHARITON COUNTY FLOOD DAMAGE



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EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ECP)

Chariton County FSA has been approved to hold a sign-up for the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) to repair farmland damaged by the flooding that occurred earlier this year. The sign-up period will begin August 19 and end October 17, 2008.

Up to 75% cost share will be available for:

- Debris Removal, Sand Removal & Leveling, Structure Repair, Fence Repair

To qualify for assistance there has to be at least \$1000 of flood damage on farmland physically located in Chariton County. The damage has to be such that, if left untreated,

- Would impair or endanger the land;
- Materially affect the land's productive capacity;
- And be so costly to repair that Federal assistance is needed to return the land to productive agricultural use.

Conservation problems existing prior to the flooding are ineligible for ECP assistance.

To be eligible for assistance a site inspection **MUST** be completed by FSA and NRCS prior to any clean up activities. For more information, contact the Chariton County FSA office.

EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM (EWP)

The Secretary of Agriculture has approved funding for the Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWP) for Chariton County agricultural landowners affected by spring flooding.

Landowners with land damages may be eligible for assistance to:

- Repair levees
- Clean out drainage ditches
- Remove log jams from streams

The EWP program is administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and may cover up to 75% of the construction cost of needed repairs. NRCS will assist applicants to coordinate projects and will provide the technical assistance needed to make the necessary repairs. Interested landowners should contact the NRCS office for more information.

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STATE COST SHARE PROGRAM

The Chariton County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) has announced that landowners with previously cost shared conservation practices that are still under a maintenance agreement and have been damaged by heavy spring rains, may be eligible for financial assistance to restore the practices.

Affected practices could include: terraces, ponds, grade stabilization structures, waterways, & others.

