## SOIL CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY COST SHARE ASSISTANCE



### FINANCIAL AND REPORTS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (FARMS)

### APPLY FOR STATE COST SHARE

Your local Soil and Water Conservation District administers numerous programs supported by the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship which can provide financial cost share assistance to help address farmers' and landowners' soil conservation and water quality concerns.

During the application process you will have the opportunity to establish a User Account which will allow you to log in and sign required documents electronically and track your application from the beginning to your cost share payment.

### Advantages to creating a FARMS User Account

# ELECTRONICALLY SIGN COST SHARE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS VIEW YOUR COST SHARE APPLICATIONS AS THEY ARE PROCESSED

### **Apply for State Cost Share**

- Visit costshare.iowaagriculture.gov or use the QR code at the bottom of this page.
- Select APPLY FOR COST SHARE
- Follow step-by-step instructions to fill out your application.
- When you are finished with your application, you have the option to create a User Account, which will allow you to electronically sign cost share application documents and view your applications as they are processed.
- Then check for emails sent by FARMS with additional information regarding your account and notifications when documents are ready to be electronically signed. (Be sure to check your spam or junk email folders.)

### **Create a FARMS User Account**

- Visit costshare.iowaagriculture.gov or use the QR code at the bottom of this page.
- Select M

**MY ACCOUNT** 

Select

REGISTER

- Fill out your information in the required fields. (Under "County", select the county where the majority of your land is located or the county you primarily work with for soil conservation assistance.
- Click

REGISTER

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#### **OR Code Instructions**

- 1. Open the Camera app on your phone.
- 2. Hold your phone so that the QR code appears in view.
- 3. Tap on the notification to open the link which will take you directly to the FARMS homepage.