

Pipestone County Conservation & Zoning



Office Update



*Mission: To Promote Conservation of Natural Resources
through Education, Technical Assistance and Stewardship.*

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Introduction:

The Pipestone Soil and Water Conservation District was formed in 1952 and operates under MN Statue 103C. In 1997 the Conservation District and County Zoning Office were joined and now operate as the Pipestone County Conservation and Zoning Office. The District is co-located and works jointly with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Programs Review

Environmental Office

Zoning Ordinance

- Conditional Use Permits
- Variances
- Land use permits

Feedlots

- Permitting
- Inspections
- Registration
- Technical Assistance with runoff control, manure management planning, spreader calibration

Septic's

- Permitting
- Design/construction review
- City of Trosky
- Land transfers

Shoreland

- Ordinance
- Setbacks

Ag Inspector

- Commercial Applicator Testing
- Weeds

Solid Waste

- Ordinance
- Recycling
- Household Hazardous Waste
- Rural Cleanup and other collections (tires)

Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

- Contact and distribute data
- Update data on server
- Create data and maps as needed

Soil and Water Conservation District

Wetland Conservation Act (WCA)

- Enforce wetland Rules

Local Water Management

- Free Water and Manure Sample Kits
- Well Sealing
- Ecology Bus presents at area schools

State Cost-Share

- Design and install Conservation Practices
- Provide funding up to 75%

Ag BMP Loan Program

- Apply and report for dollars
- Approve loans for non-point source reduction projects

Wellhead Protection Program

- Coordinate Program
- Fiscal Agent

Reinvest In Minnesota (RIM) Walkin (WIA)

- Promote program
- Enroll Lands

Tree/Drill Program

- Design and install windbreaks
- Custom seeding

Watershed Projects

- TMDL's Rock River and Pipestone Creek

Clean Water Fund

- Apply to BWSR for dollars (approx. \$350,000 received to date)