



# Conservation Circular

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## CONSERVATION DISTRICT PURCHASES NEW GRASS DRILL

The Conservation District has ordered a new Great Plains Grass Drill that will be available for rent this spring. The 15' drill combines the Great Plains 00 series opener with their proven native grass attachment. Agitators and picker-type wheels help pull native grasses into the seed tube. The drill has 3 boxes (main box, small seed box, and a native grass box/fertilizer.) This drill will accommodate any of your grass planting needs whether it is a native grass planting for a farm program, an alfalfa seeding or a pasture planting.



The purchase of a new grass drill was made possible by cost share assistance from several of our conservation partners. James River Water Development Dis-

trict granted \$10,000 towards the purchase, Ducks Unlimited donated \$3,000, Upper Crow Creek Watershed District added \$3,000 and the National Wildlife Turkey Federation chipped in \$1,000. Thank you to all our partners for their cost share assistance with this purchase. Together we plan to assist producers with their grass plantings for better conservation cover that will improve water quality, lessen wind erosion, improve wildlife habitat, and provide improved forage for livestock.

The drill will rent for \$10 per acre with a required set up fee of \$50. If you are interested in renting the drill for early grass plantings this spring, please stop at the office and get your name on the list. We do have a grass drill rental agreement that you will need to review and sign. We plan to route the drill according to requests within areas of the county as much as possible to maximize field time and reduce travel time.

The deadline for Waterbank and CSP (Conservation Stewardship Program) sign up is February 27th. Check it out in advance!

## Wetland Reserve Easement Program Update (WRE)

By Cody Warner

With the 2014 Farm Bill out, NRCS will be offering a sign up for the Wetland Reserve Easement Program. The WRE program is encompassed under the newly formed Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP), which is a part of the 2014 Farm Bill. Under the WRE program, NRCS helps to restore, protect, and enhance enrolled wetlands.



Land eligible for the WRE program includes farmed or converted wetlands that can be successfully and cost-effectively restored. NRCS will prioritize applications based on the easements potential for protecting and enhancing habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife. In many cases in Marshall County, water levels have risen to the point where farming and maintaining ditches is no longer feasible. In some cases, farm ground and old ditches are under many feet of water. These examples make great WRE applications.

There are two types of WRE available: perpetual and 30 year. Under a perpetual easement, the landowner will receive 100% payment and will also receive 100% of any restoration costs. Under a 30 year easement, the landowner will receive 75% of the payment and restoration costs. Currently, a proposal has been sent to Congress for payment amounts.

Currently, WRE applications are being taken in Marshall County. If you'd like to inquire about eligibility of wetlands on your land, I'd certainly take time to visit with you. Contact the Marshall County NRCS office at 448-2442. Thanks, Cody!

### 5th and 6th Grade Students!

*This is your chance to win cash prizes!  
All you have to do is write a creative essay or poem about  
Trees and Arbor Day. For more information, ask your  
teacher, call our office or check out our website  
@ Marshall cd. org*

## *District Year In Review* 2014

### **District Services**

- Planted 40.7 acres of trees—field windbreaks, farmstead windbreaks, renovations, and riparian plantings for 22 land-owners.
- Sold over \$19,000 dollars of hand plant trees
- Laid 22.8 miles or 120,130 feet of weed barrier fabric.
- Seeded 878 acres of grass with the Tye Grass Drill.

### **Educational Activities:**

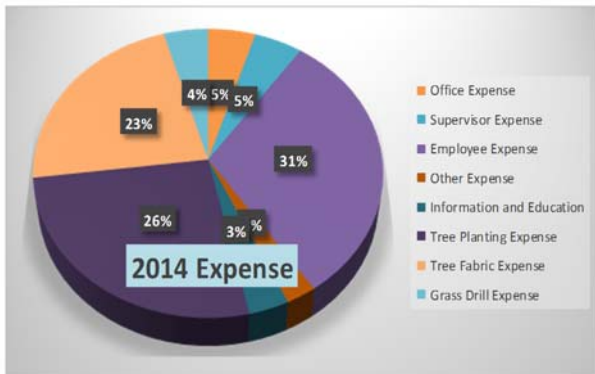
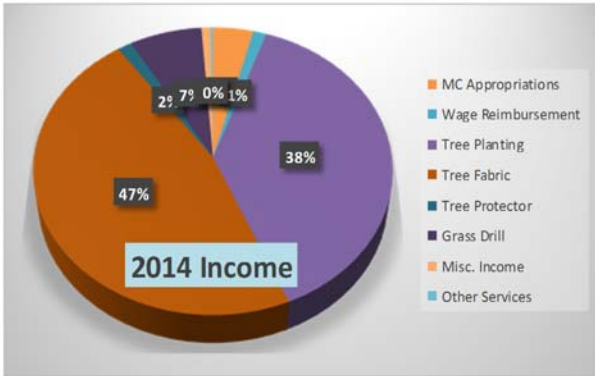
- Sponsored a booth at the Britton Winter Festival.
- Sponsored the Arbor Day Essay Contest for Fifth graders
- Held an educational Arbor Day session with 3rd graders in Langford and Britton.
- Sponsored the Resource Conservation Speech Contest for high school students
- Distributed materials to Marshall County Churches for Soil Stewardship Week.
- Co-sponsored the NESD Land and Range Contest
- Assisted with the Northern Prairie Water Festival at the Barnett Center in Aberdeen
- Assisted with the State Conservation District both at the State Fair in Huron.
- Sponsored Eco Ed Day at Fort Sisseton for Marshall County 7th Graders
- Promoted the Karst Memorial Scholarship

### **Conservation Projects/Programs**

- Participated in the NE Grazing Grant Project offering cost share assistance for grazing operations including pipelines, tanks, rural water hook-ups and dugouts
- Participated in the Multi-County Shelterbelt Renovation Project that assists landowners with renovating their existing shelterbelts or new plantings.
- Co-sponsor of the NE Glacial Lakes Project that works to improve the watersheds for all area lakes.

### **SDACDE KARST SCHOLARSHIP**

The SD Association of Conservation District employees offers three \$500 memorial scholarships to High School seniors who are planning on furthering their education in an agricultural related field. The scholarship is available to students who will be attending a 4-year college or a vocational school. Deadline for the application is March 31, 2015. Find an application at the Conservation District office or on the District website at [www.marshallcd.org](http://www.marshallcd.org).



### **54th ANNUAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SPEECH CONTEST**

It is time to prepare your speech if you are interested in entering the 54th annual Conservation Speech Contest. This year's theme is *"Technology: Bridging the Conservation Generation Gap."* Three scholarships are awarded statewide. First place will earn an \$1100 scholarship, second—\$750 and third—\$450. Please notify the Marshall County Conservation Office by March 10th if you plan to enter the contest. The local contest will need to be completed by March 28, 2015 with two local winners advancing to the Area Contest. The Area Contest is scheduled on or before April 11. It will be held in Aberdeen with two area contestants advancing to the State Contest in Pierre. The state contest is scheduled for April 25, 2015 in Pierre at 9:00 a.m. For more information check out the website at [marshallcd.org](http://marshallcd.org) or call the office @448-2442 Ext. 3.

### **HELP WANTED:**

Marshall County Conservation District is accepting applications for our Spring tree planting and fabric season. The positions are full time seasonal positions running 6-8 weeks beginning mid April. To apply or to request more information, please call Wanda Franzen at (448-2442 Ext. 110) or stop at the USDA Ag Service Center in Britton.



**Time** is running out to plan your 2015 spring tree planting. Trees will add beauty to your landscape, may provide edible fruit or nuts, will enhance wildlife habitat and diversity, and provide wind protection. Stop in soon to plan your shelterbelt.

### **Did you know?**

- Healthy Soils...**
- \*Hold water like a sponge
  - \*Allow better infiltration so plants can get water when they need it.
  - \*Protect against erosion.
  - \*Reduce flooding.



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 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State, zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Save \$\$ - Bundles of 25—\$44.00 per bundle  
 (Same Species—\$2.00 trees only)

SHRUBS:	PRICE	QTY	TOT PRICE
Almond, Russian	\$2.00		
Black Chokeberry	\$2.00		
Buffaloberry	\$2.00		
Caragana	\$2.00		
Cherry, Nanking	\$2.00		
Chokecherry	\$2.00		
Chokecherry, Schubert	\$2.00		
Cotoneaster	\$2.00		
Cranberry, Highbush	\$2.00		
Dogwood, Redosier	\$2.00		
Elderberry, Common	\$2.00		
False Indigo	\$2.00		
Honeysuckle	\$2.00		
Juneberry (Service)	\$2.00		
Lilac, Common	\$2.00		
Lilac, Villosa	\$2.00		
Nannyberry	\$2.00		
Ninebark, Common	\$2.00		
Plum, American	\$2.00		
Plum, ND-1134	\$2.00		
Willow, Sandbar	\$2.00		

TALL TREES:	PRICE	QTY	TOT PRICE
Ash, Green	\$2.00		
Aspen, Quaking	\$2.00		
Catalpa, Northern	\$2.00		
Cherry, Black	\$2.00		
Cottonwood, Hybrid	\$2.00		
Cottonwood, Native	\$2.00		
Hackberry	\$2.00		
Honeylocust	\$2.00		
Kentucky, Coffeetree	\$2.00		
Linden, American	\$2.00		
Linden, Little leaf	\$2.00		
Maple, Freeman	\$2.00		
Maple, Red	\$2.00		
Maple, Silver	\$2.00		
Maple, Sugar	\$2.00		
Oak, Bur	\$2.00		
Oak, Northern Red	\$2.00		
Oak, Swamp White	\$2.00		
Walnut, Black	\$2.00		
Willow, Golden	\$2.00		
Willow, Weeping	\$2.00		

MEDIUM SIZED TREES:	PRICE	QTY	TOT PRICE
Apricot	\$2.00		
Ash, Mountain	\$2.00		
Chokecherry, Amur	\$2.00		
Crabapple, "Midwest"	\$2.00		
Crabapple, Red Splendor	\$2.00		
Hawthorn, Homestead	\$2.00		
Maple, Amur	\$2.00		
Mulberry	\$2.00		
Ohio Buckeye	\$2.00		
Olive, Russian	\$2.00		
Pear, Harbin	\$2.00		
Willow, Laurel	\$2.00		

CONIFERS	PRICE	QTY	TOT PRICE
Cedar, Eastern Red	\$2.00		
Juniper, Rocky Mountain	\$2.00		
Pine, Ponderosa	\$2.00		
Pine, Scotch	\$2.00		
Spruce, Black Hills	\$2.00		
Spruce, Colorado Blue	\$2.00		
Meyer Spruce	\$2.00		
Mugo Pine	\$2.00		

- No set deadline for individual tree orders but subject to availability
- Trees usually arrive late April.
- Payment due at the time your trees are picked up.

**We reserve the right to adjust prices if nursery stock prices change!**



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**LARGE BARE ROOT STOCK	PRICE	QTY	TOT PRICE
Apple, Zestar 6'	\$22.00		
Apple, Haralson 6'	\$22.00		
Apple, Honeycrisp 6'	\$22.00		
Apple, Honeycrisp 6'(semi-dwarf)	\$22.00		
Apple, Prairie Magic 6'	\$22.00		
Apple, NW Greening 6'	\$22.00		
Pear, Luscious	\$22.00		
Pear, Golden Spice	\$22.00		
Meteor Cherry	\$22.00		
Mount Royal Plum	\$22.00		
Showy Mountain Ash	\$38.00		
Ohio Buckeye	\$45.00		
Amur Chokecherry 6'	\$38.00		
Clump Birch	\$38.00		
Crabapple, Snowdrift	\$35.00		
Crabapple, Prairiefire	\$35.00		
Quaking Aspen	\$35.00		
Accolade Elm	\$35.00		
Hackberry	\$38.00		
Japanese Tree Lilac	\$38.00		
Linden, Littleleaf	\$38.00		
Linden, American	\$38.00		
Amur Maple	\$40.00		
Unity Sugar Maple	\$45.00		
Scarlet Jewell Maple	\$45.00		
Norway Maple	\$45.00		
Sienna Glenn Maple	\$45.00		
Hot Wings Maple	\$38.00		

**\*\*Limited Quantities—  
 Please order in advance!\*\***

**LANDSCAPE SHRUBS	PRICE	QTY	TOT PRICE
Blizzard Mockorange	\$10.00		
Hydrangea, Annabelle	\$10.00		
Hydrangea, Limelight	\$10.00		
Meadowlark Forsythia	\$10.00		
Ninebark, Centerglo	\$10.00		
Ivory Halo Dogwood	\$10.00		
Bridalwreath Spirea	\$10.00		
Red Prince Wiegela	\$10.00		

OTHER PRODUCTS	PRICE	QTY	TOT PRICE
Plantskyd Deer Repellent	\$ 45.00		
Fabric Staples 1 box (500)	\$ 58.00		
Individual Staples (ea.)	\$ 0.15		
Roll of fabric (3'x300')	\$ 50.00		
Roll of fabric (4' x 300')	\$ 65.00		
Roll of fabric (6' x 500')	\$155.00		
Fabric by the foot 3'	\$ 0.25		
Fabric by the foot 4'	\$ 0.35		
Fabric by the foot 6'	\$ 0.50		
Tree shelters (5 foot)	\$ 6.00		

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