



# 2017 KACD Fall Workshops

## DOC Report

# State Water Plan Budget

<b>DOC Programs</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>
Conservation District Aid	\$2,000,000	\$2,092,637
Water Resources Cost-Share	\$1,727,387	\$1,948,289
Non-Point Pollution Cost-Share	\$1,502,909	\$1,858,350
Watershed Dam Construction	\$511,076	\$550,000
Water Supply Restoration / MSL CREP / WTAP	\$0	\$0
Water Quality Buffer Initiative	\$177,141	\$200,000
Riparian & Wetland	\$88,662	\$200,000
	\$135,343	\$152,651
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,142,518</b>	<b>\$7,001,927</b>

# Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Initiative

- Proposal to enroll up to 10,000 acres
- One time incentive payment (\$225 per acre in Tier 1; \$162.50 per acre in Tier 2)
- Potential practices could include (CP8-grassed waterways, CP21-filter strips, CP22-riparian buffer, etc.)
- Will replace the current Water Quality Buffer Initiative Program
- Regulations have been drafted and are currently in the approval process.

# Soil Health Education Funds

- Funds are available this FY
  - Workshops, Field Days
  - Educational materials, cover crop seed etc.
  - Cover Crop and Grazing Management
  - \$2,500 limit per application for workshop
- No-till on the Plains Winter Conference registration fees
  - CD Supervisors
  - Landowner, operator first time attendees

# **FY 2018 Cost-Share Cancellation/Reallocation Policy**

- Cancellation of Uncommitted WR & NPS Funds
  - December 1, 2017, February 2, 2018 and April 2, 2018
- Reallocation of Uncommitted WR & NPS Funds
  - Reallocation will be determined based on needs reviewed by the SCC and DOC staff after each cancellation
  - Conservation Districts will be notified of any reallocations after each cancellation

# FY 2018 Supplemental Cost-Share Allocation

- FY 2018 Supplemental Allocation
  - Reallocate WR funds to CD's affected by the 2017 wildfires as well as one Water Technology Farm project
  - Reallocate NPS funds to CD's affected by the 2017 wildfires

# CSIMS 2.0 Upgrade

- Available for Testing
  - DOC October 1, 2017
  - CD's November 27, 2017
    - Volunteers needed from District Managers to test from November 27 thru December 8, 2017
- Rollout in mid-late December, 2017
- Training Opportunities for District Managers
  - KACD Convention – November, 2017
  - 2018 SCC Spring Workshops – March, 2018
  - KACD-EO Area Meetings – April thru June, 2018

# Cost-Share Reviews

- Typically conducted on a 3-year time frame
  - FY 2018 review 12 Management Units
    - Completed 5 Management Units
      - ❖ Atwood, Leoti, Lincoln, Marion & Winfield
    - 7 Management Units to review
      - ❖ Columbus, Burlington, Eureka, Hugoton, Kingman, Paola & Ulysses



# Cost-Share Reviews

- Cost-Share Review Findings
  - FY 2017 reviews (July 2016 – June 2017)
    - Reviewed 11 management units (37 counties)
    - Total of 16 contracts overpaid >\$100
    - Overpayments totaled \$8,868.46
      - Typically due to paying on design units instead of actual units installed
    - Have received paybacks from landowners on 13 of the 16 contracts overpaid

# Cost-Share Reviews (cont)

- Cost-Share Review Findings (cont)
  - FY 2018 reviews (July 2017 – June 2018)
    - Completed reviews in 5 management units
    - Total of 3 contracts overpaid >\$100
    - Three overpayments totaled \$1,935.05
      - Typically due to paying on design units instead of actual units installed
    - Received paybacks from landowners on 1 of the 3 contracts overpaid

# Cost-Share Reviews (cont)

- Wide Variety of Errors Discovered
  - Filing of documents
    - Aerial photo
    - Ranking worksheet
    - Copy of bill(s)
    - Forage balance estimate worksheet/brush management plan
    - OSW eligibility worksheet and county permit
    - Well plugging worksheet and WWC-5P

# Cost-Share Reviews (cont)

- Wide Variety of Errors Discovered (cont)
  - Signatures
    - Signed CS-3
    - CS-4 signed & dated by a qualified representative
      - ❖ NRCS staff signs for NRCS designed practices
      - ❖ District Manager signs for non-NRCS practices
        - AWP & OSW practices

# Cost-Share Reviews (cont)

- Wide Variety of Errors Discovered (cont)
  - Processing of Payments
    - Paid on incorrect components
      - ❖ ie pipe size
    - Paid on the design units and/or from the contractors/landowners bills
      - ❖ Always pay on actual units installed from the NRCS check-out field sheet
      - ❖ Always enter the actual units installed even if payment amount doesn't change

# Cost-Share Reviews (cont)

- Cost-share documents filing procedures
  - DOC Programs Manual pages 3-14 thru 3-17
- Contract Status/File Information Cover Sheet
  - DOC Programs Manual pages 3-18 thru 3-19

# Supervisor Training & Recognition Program

- 16 training modules to teach supervisors the basic operations of a CD
  - 14 modules developed by DOC - [www.agriculture.ks.gov/](http://www.agriculture.ks.gov/)
  - 2 modules developed by KACD - [www.kacdnet.org/](http://www.kacdnet.org/)
- Complete all 16 training modules
  - Send completed signed and certified *KS CD Supervisors Training and Recognition Program Completion Report* to DOC no later than November 10th
  - Supervisors will be presented a leather portfolio at the KACD Convention

# AgriLand at State Fair Pride of Kansas Building

- DOC sent email to CD's on June 23<sup>rd</sup> looking for volunteers to help staff the soil tunnel trailer / AgriLand exhibit at Kansas State Fair
  - Use hyperlink to access spreadsheet for sign up
  - Shifts 9-3 and 3-9
  - 1-2 per shift except on weekends and dollar days, September 8th
- New this year is a taped narrated message that will play inside the trailer every 30-seconds which introduces the audience to the soil tunnel trailer



# Reminders

- 2018 Annual Work Plan – due September 1, 2017
  - Documents activities to be completed during fiscal year
  - Email an electronic copy to DOC at [kda.doc@ks.gov](mailto:kda.doc@ks.gov)
- 2018 Budget – due September 1, 2017
  - Mail the Operations and Enterprise Fund Budget with original signatures to the DOC after certification by County Commissioners and final CD Board has reviewed and signed
- 2018 Financial Management Checklist – due Sept. 1, 2017
  - Mail the checklist to the DOC after CD Board has reviewed and signed

# Reminders

- W-9 Form – Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification
  - Obtain completed and signed W-9 form from landowner
    - Needed for new landowners that are not in CSIMS or have not been approved by SMART
    - CSIMS 2.0 will require users to upload W-9 unless previously SMART approved
- Riparian & Wetland Program
  - Has dedicated funding available for wetland and wetland-related projects
  - Contact Katie Burke with the DOC for assistance if your county has a potential wetland project

# Questions

