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**Meeting Agenda**  
November 16, 2020

The Appanoose County Board of Supervisors will meet Monday, November 16, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Courthouse. Items on the agenda include:

1. Pledge
2. Declaration of items to be added to the agenda
3. Approve minutes of the November 2, 2020 meeting
4. Approve reports: 11/13 payroll, October Prisoner Room & Board
5. Approve bills
6. Approve Data Acquisition Agreement: Verisk Analytics
7. Approve Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) Support
8. Accept Preliminary Plat: Main Station Subdivision
9. Accept Conservation Department resignation: Scott Squires
10. Approve Health Insurance/Benefit provider
11. Approve 2020 Disabled Vet Homestead Tax Credit Applications
12. Approve 2020 Family Farm Tax Credit Applications
13. Approve CDBG Grant Invoice
14. Approve 11/3/2020 General Election Recount Order: US Rep District #2
15. Appoint Flood Plains Manager
16. Set Public Hearing for 28E Agreement between City of Centerville and Appanoose County regarding the Construction, Use and Operation of a Law Enforcement Center
17. 9:15 A.M. Public Hearing: Reclassify a portion of 140<sup>th</sup> from Level B to Level C
18. County Engineer Report
19. John Hanson, Midwest Construction
  - a. Project progress update
  - b. Review proposals for the geotechnical investigation and award the contract
  - c. General discussions or questions
20. Approve Veteran Affairs Office Placement
21. CDC Coordinator Report
22. Roger Shindell, Carosh: HIPAA update
23. Public Comments
24. Adjourn

November 2, 2020

Appanoose County Board of Supervisors met in regular session November 2, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Courthouse. Present: Linda Demry, Chairwoman, Neal Smith and Mark McGill, Boardmembers. Absent: none.

Meeting started with the Pledge.

McGill motioned to approve the agenda. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye.

Correct the reports second to Smith. Correct Deputy Sheriff second to McGill. McGill motioned to approve the corrected minutes from the October 19, 2020 meeting. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye.

Smith motioned to approve 10/30 payroll, Weed Commissioner's Report, and DHS Quarterly Report. Seconded by McGill. All voted aye.

McGill questioned County Engineer Brad Skinner on the welder and Aramark claims. McGill requested Skinner check when the Aramark contract expires. McGill motioned to approve the bills. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye.

Access Sys	Typing-Print.-Bind.Serv.	134.88
Agriland FS	Engineering Services	251.75
Alliant	Engineering Services	630.33
Aramark	Engineering Services	231.52
Bailey Off	Off. Supplies & Forms	9.96
Banleaco	Off. Supplies & Forms	81.88
D Barnthouse	Building Repair & Maintce	50.00
Bratz Oil	Mileage & Transp. Expense	133.66
Brown's Shoe	Engineering Services	125.00
C-D Supply	Off. Supplies & Forms	1050.77
Calhoun Burns	Engineering Services	11918.10
Cantera Aggregates	Engineering Services	41709.42
Capital Sanitary Supply	Custodial Supplies	300.71
Cville Iron	Engineering Services	31.40
Cville Wtrwks	Engineering Services	381.92
Centurylink	E911 Telephone Expense	252.50
City Cville	Salary-Regular Employees	4252.17
Contractor Supply	Engineering Services	1903.20
Des Moines Cremation	Funeral Services	900.00
S Dittmer	Legal Serv. Dep-Subp-Tran	60.75
JOHN DULEY	Engineering Services	184.99
Eastern IA Tire	Engineering Services	70.73
Election Source	Election Supplies	8213.12
FAHRNER ASPHALT SEALERS LLC	Engineering Services	186818.00
Fareway	Food & Provisions	119.20
Farmers Mutual Tel	E911 Telephone Expense	535.00
Fogle TV	Engineering Services	109.74
Galls	Law Enf. Equip & Weapons	243.63
GeoComm	E911 Mapping Expense	12474.00
Geotech Materials	Engineering Services	1724.01
Kelly Howard	Election Supplies	96.45
ICEA	Educational & Train.Serv.	550.00
Impressive Designs	Off. Supplies & Forms	230.60
Ink Made Productions	Contract Services	721.25
IA Law Enforcement Academy	Educational & Train.Serv.	300.00
J AND J READY MIX COMPANY LLC	Engineering Services	3510.00
Kimball	Engineering Services	266.65
Lacal Equip	Engineering Services	2514.96

McCoy Legal Serv	Legal & Ct-Related Serv.	2066.00
McCulley Culvert	Roads	9552.08
McKesson Med	Prescriptions & Medicine	215.48
Metal Culverts	Bridge & Culvert Maint.	6316.33
MMIT	Off. Supplies & Forms	85.47
Municipal Housing Agency	Rent Payments	194.00
Natel	Telephone & Telegr.Serv.	675.51
Polk Co Treas	Medical & Health Services	654.31
Pomp's Tire Service	Engineering Services	3857.84
Quill	Contract Services	410.73
RACOM	Off. Equip Repair & Maint	17716.29
RRWA	Engineering Services	25.75
RK Auto	Vehicle Repair & Maintce	189.85
Seneca	Engineering Services	1227.50
Seymour Tire	Engineering Services	33.50
Simmons Bldg Materials	Equip. Parts & Supplies	392.73
B Skinner	Educational & Train.Serv.	6.83
SJ SMITH CO INC	Engineering Services	7341.46
Solutions	Computer Services	245.00
D Sturms	Mileage & Transp. Expense	521.15
UMB Bank, N.A.	G.O. Bonds Principal	7637.50
US Bank	Election Supplies	1997.51
US Cellular	Off. Supplies & Forms	877.47
USPS	Postage & Mailing	395.00
VERIZON	Engineering Supplies	180.03
Walmart	Engineering Services	226.09
Wapello Co Aud	Legal & Ct-Related Serv.	394.88
Watson & Ryan	Legal & Ct-Related Serv.	1183.34
J Willier	Legal & Ct-Related Serv.	735.00
Windstream	E911 Telephone Expense	67.81
Grand Total		348514.69

Smith motioned to approve BK's Boathouse Liquor License. Seconded by McGill. All voted aye.

Dianna Daly-Husted, County Weed Commissioner, reported only one complaint at Lelah Bradley.

Smith motioned to approve the 2021 County Weed Commissioner Certification. Seconded by McGill. All voted aye.

FYI- updated MMP Parks Finishing

McGill motioned to table approving and setting a public sale of the law library until better sale options are found. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye.

Smith motioned to approve the Enhanced Security Services Memorandum of Understanding with the OCIO. Seconded by McGill. All voted aye.

Smith motioned to approve the Ahlers & Cooney Bond Counsel Engagement Agreement. Seconded by McGill. All voted aye.

McGill motioned to approve Resolution 2020-28. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye.

#### RESOLUTION 2020-28

RESOLUTION RATIFYING, CONFIRMING AND APPROVING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION LOCAL OPTION SALES AND SERVICES TAX BONDS

WHEREAS, Appanoose County, State of Iowa, is in need of funds to carry out the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of designing, constructing, equipping, and furnishing a law enforcement center; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary and advisable that Appanoose County, State of Iowa, should issue General Obligation Local Option Sales and Services Tax Bonds, to the amount of not to exceed

\$7,500,000, as authorized by Section 423B.9(4), of the Code of Iowa, for the purpose of providing funds to pay costs of carrying out county purpose project(s); and

WHEREAS, the notice of above meeting has been published as required by Section 423B.9(4) of the Code of Iowa, as amended, and the following action is now considered to be in the best interests of the County and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF APPANOOSE COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. That the action of the Auditor setting a public hearing before the Board of Supervisors to meet in the Board of Supervisors Room, Courthouse, 201 North 12th Street, Centerville, Iowa, at 9:15 A.M., the 2nd day of November, 2020, for the purpose of taking action on the matter of the issuance of not to exceed \$7,500,000 General Obligation Local Option Sales and Services Tax Bonds, for county purpose project(s), the proceeds of which will be used to provide funds to pay the costs of designing, constructing, equipping, and furnishing a law enforcement center, is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

Section 2. That the Auditor has caused publication to be made of a notice of said meeting, in a legal newspaper, printed wholly in the English language, published at least once weekly, and having general circulation in the County, said publication to be not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) clear days before the date of the public meeting on the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 3. That the form of notice of public hearing is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of November, 2020.

Chairperson: /s/Linda Demry

ATTEST: /s/Kelly Howard, County Auditor

McGill motioned to open the public hearing for Law Center Financing at 9:15 A.M. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye. No objections were received by the Auditor. Public Comment: Bruce Buttel asked what if there are not enough LOSST funds to make a payment? Heidi Kuhl and Chip Schultz from Northland Securities stated based on LOSST revenue as recent as August 2020 the county will bring in approximately \$726,000. The bond payment is estimated at \$485,000. It would take a 50% drop in sales tax in order for the county not to make the payment. Gary Messersmith asked if population loss is taken into consideration. Kuhl and Schultz stated they've made conservative estimates and online sales tax is included in LOSST. McGill motioned to close the public hearing at 9:25 A.M. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye.

McGill motioned to approve Resolution 2020-29. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye.

RESOLUTION #2020-29

RESOLUTION INSTITUTING PROCEEDINGS TO TAKE ADDITIONAL ACTION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION LOCAL OPTION SALES AND SERVICES TAX BONDS

WHEREAS, pursuant to notice published as required by law, this Board has held a public meeting and hearing upon the proposal to institute proceedings for the issuance of not to exceed \$7,500,000 General Obligation Local Option Sales and Services Tax Bonds, for the purpose of paying costs of designing, constructing, equipping, and furnishing a law enforcement center, and has considered the extent of objections received from residents or property owners as to said proposed issuance of Bonds, and no petition having been filed; and, accordingly the following action is now considered to be in the best interests of the County and residents thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF APPANOOSE COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. That this Board does hereby institute proceedings and take additional action for the sale and issuance in the manner required by law of not to exceed \$7,500,000 General Obligation Local Option Sales and Services Tax Bonds, for the foregoing purposes.

Section 2. This Resolution shall serve as a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation 1.150-2 and shall be maintained on file as a public record of such intent. It is reasonably expected that the general fund moneys may be advanced from time to time for capital expenditures which are to be paid from the proceeds of the above Bonds. The amounts so advanced shall be reimbursed from the proceeds of the Bonds not later than eighteen months after the initial payment of the capital expenditures or eighteen months after the property is placed in service. Such advancements shall not exceed the amount authorized in this Resolution unless the same are for preliminary expenditures or unless another declaration of intention is adopted.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of November, 2020.

Chairperson: /s/Linda Demry

ATTEST: /s/Kelly Howard, County Auditor

Smith motioned to approve P.C.C. Overlay Plans, Project No. FM-C004(111)-55-04 (T20 South of Cincinnati). Seconded by McGill. All voted aye.

Smith motioned to set a public hearing to reclassify a portion of 140<sup>th</sup> from a level B to a level C for 11/16/2020 at 9:15 A.M. Seconded by McGill. All voted aye.

The petitioner failed to turn in paperwork, therefore item 15c on the agenda was tabled.

County Engineer, Brad Skinner, provided an update to the board. The North Shore Bridge on 400<sup>th</sup> Street has been removed. It will be replaced with a beam and slab bridge, which should take 2 to 3 weeks. The bridge inspector made an urgent plea to re-close a bridge on 550<sup>th</sup> southeast of Centerville and the Numa Boothill Bridge on 265<sup>th</sup>. Local funds will be used to fund these projects. Smith asked about the railroad crossing. Skinner stated Randall is trying to get it scheduled.

Stephanie Koch, CDC Coordinator, state the Adult Advisory will meet 11/5 at 1 PM and the Children's Advisory will meet at 2 PM. The region has hired Megan Logan for Child Advisory. CIT training will be held the 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> in Ottumwa. It is free to law enforcement in the region. The next Governing Board meeting is the 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM in Ottumwa.

Public Comments: Demry provided a COVID-19 update from Public Health. 157 have recovered, 4 deaths, 269 cases as of yesterday leaving 107 active. Messersmith requested the board agendas be placed on the East Door so people can view them after hours.

McGill motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Smith. All voted aye.

The Board adjourned to meet at the call of the Auditor at 9:47 A.M.

Appanoose County Board of Supervisors

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Attest:

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Kelly Howard, Appanoose County Auditor

# DISTRICT COURT OF APPANOOSE COUNTY

## REPORT OF FEES COLLECTED

### \*\*\*PRISONER ROOM AND BOARD\*\*\*

To the Board of Supervisors of Appanoose County:

I, Jeannie Houser, Clerk/Clerk's Designee of the District Court of the above named County and State, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct statement of the fees collected by the Clerk of Court for the month of October, 2020, and The same has been paid to the County as per receipt attached.

### COUNTY SHARE OF PRISONER ROOM & BOARD

1000-1000-4440-05-302	Total Prisoner Room & Board Reimbursement
	100% General Basic \$ <u>6112.56</u>
29000-01000-4440-05-301	60% Transfer to Sheriff \$ <u>3667.53</u>

Transfer authorized by Appanoose County Board of Supervisors this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_. Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

# Data Acquisition Agreement Concerning Geographic Information System Data

This Data Acquisition Agreement is entered into this 5 day of November, 2020 by and between Appanoose County AND

Verisk Analytics (Hereinafter referred to as Customer)  
(Print or Type Customer Name)

388 Market Street Suite 750 San Francisco, CA 94111  
(Print or Type Customer Address)

Nima Nattagh  
(Print or Type Customer Contact Person) (Print or Type Customer Telephone Number)

Describe the intended use for the acquired data: Parcel shape GIS data will be for internal  
Internal R & D and enhancement of natural catastrophe models

**The PURPOSE OF THIS DATA ACQUISITION AGREEMENT is to specify the terms and conditions under which Customer may acquire Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data from Appanoose County.**

**NOTE: Appanoose County GIS cadastral map data does not replace or modify land surveys, deeds, and/or other legal instruments defining, land ownership and use.**

Appanoose County, has developed a digital graphic and tabular database (Geographic Information System, hereinafter GIS) depicting land and cadastral data based on NAD\_1983 State Plane, Iowa South FIPS 1402 Feet.

**Appanoose County agrees** to provide the GIS data listed on page 3 of this agreement, for the intended use described above. The fees charged the Customer for this GIS data are based on the cost of the data, as well as the direct cost of the of materials and services to provide the data.

**Customer hereby acknowledges** the limitations of the Appanoose County GIS data and information contained therein and restrictions on the use of the GIS data.

## **Limitations of the data and information provided**

1. Appanoose County is not responsible for any hardware or software needed to access and use the product and information therein.
2. The Appanoose County GIS data distributed by Appanoose County contains information from publicly available sources. Appanoose County has developed the data for internal use. All data is provided as is, with all faults, and without warranty of any kind, expressed or implied, including, but not limited to, the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose.
3. The Grantee understands and acknowledges that the data and information contained therein are subject to constant change and that its accuracy cannot be guaranteed. Appanoose County makes no warranties or a guarantee, expressed or implied, as to the accuracy, completeness, or correctness of such data, nor accepts any liability arising from any incorrect, incomplete or misleading information contained therein.
4. Appanoose County shall not be subject to liability for human errors, defect or failure of machines, or any material used in connection with the machines, including but not limited to CDs, DVDs, and FTP(where available).
5. Appanoose County shall not be subject to liability for any lost profits or consequential damages, or claims against the Customer by Third parties. The liability of Appanoose County for damages, regardless of the form of the action, shall not exceed the fee paid for the GIS data.
6. The entire risk as to the quality, performance and usefulness of the data rests with the Customer.
7. The Customer releases Appanoose County and its officers, agents, consultants, contractors and employees from any and all claims, actions or causes of action for damages including, but not limited to, any costs of recovering, reprogramming or reproducing of programs or data stored in or used with the Appanoose County GIS data, damage to property, damages for personal injury or for any lost profits, lost savings or other special incidental or consequential damages arising, from the use of or inability to use the Appanoose County GIS data.
8. The Customer shall indemnify and hold harmless Appanoose County and its officers, agents, consultants, contractors and employees from any and all liability claims or damages to any person or property arising from or connected with the use of Appanoose County GIS data.

## **Restrictions on use of the data and information provided**

1. The Customer understands that this is a one-time only delivery and that Appanoose County has no responsibility for updating, this product or information therein.
2. This Data Acquisition Agreement does not constitute a sale or transfer of any title or interest in the Appanoose County GIS data.
3. The Customer agrees to recognize and honor in perpetuity the copyrights, and other proprietary claims for databases, tax maps, and other collateral information, and products established or produced by Appanoose County, or the vendors furnishing said items to Appanoose County
4. The Customer may copy the Appanoose County GIS data granted via this agreement only for backup purposes and not for use by any party other than the Customer.

5. Derived products such as graphic displays and printed tabular listings derived from Appanoose County GIS data may be used in publications and presentations, provided that credit is given to Appanoose County as the custodian of the data and credit is also given to the original source of the data if other than Appanoose County.
6. The Appanoose County GIS data are acquired solely and exclusively for the internal use of the Customer and not for the use by any other person or entity, including, but not limited to, any entity which is affiliated with the Customer unless specified at the time of acquisition.
7. The Customer shall not license, assign, release, publish, transfer, sell or otherwise make available the Products or portion thereof to a third party without the expressed written permission of Appanoose County. Any such attempted assignment or transfer shall be null and void, and shall be a breach of this Agreement.
8. Upon the occurrence of the breach of or non-compliance with any term or provision of this Agreement, Appanoose County may provide written notice of the occurrence to the Customer, and terminate this Agreement. This Agreement shall terminate immediately following such notice by Appanoose County. The Customer shall, within 30 day after termination of this Agreement, return all GIS Products that were provided through this Agreement and are in the possession of the Customer to Appanoose County
9. This Data Acquisition Agreement constitutes the entire contract between the parties hereto. This Agreement may not be changed, modified, or amended, in whole or in part, except in writing, and signed by the parties.
10. This Agreement and performance hereunder shall be governed and construed by the laws of the State of Iowa.

*Appanoose County makes no claims as to the reliability of the data or the validity of any future use of this data. Appanoose County maintains an ongoing program to record and correct errors in this data that are brought to its attention. Appanoose County maintains records regarding the methods used to collect and process this data and will provide this information upon request.*

*If any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal, unenforceable or in conflict with the law of any jurisdiction, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not be affected or impaired thereby.*

**Appanoose County provides the Products listed below to the Customer for internal use in accordance with this Data Acquisition Agreement.**

**The GIS Products being provided via this agreement are: Parcel shape GIS data**

**The period of time for which the Customer is allowed the right to use the GIS Products is:**

**Other restrictions imposed on the use of such Products are:** \_\_\_\_\_

Customer shall pay Appanoose County a one-time fee of \$ 35 for the cost of the time to produce the data, as well the direct cost of materials and services has itemized on the Appanoose County GIS Data Cost Analysis sheet.

The undersigned acknowledges the terms and conditions of this Data Acquisition Agreement specified above and warrants to Appanoose County that he/she has full power and authority to enter into, and where applicable, to act as the agent of the Customer and be bound to perform its obligations under this Agreement;

Authorizing Signature: N. Apffel Date 11/5/2020

**Print Name:** Nima Nattagh

**Title:** Manager

Company or Affiliation: Verisk Analytics

Appanoose County acknowledges this Data Acquisition Agreement as specified above:

Date

(Chair, Appanoose County Board of Supervisors)

To submit this form please print, complete, and mail to

GIS Technician  
1200 Hwy 2 West  
Centerville, IA 52544  
foster@appanoosecounty.net

# The Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)

A partner-driven, locally-led approach to conservation.

RCPP is an USDA program that promotes the coordination of the Natural Resources and Conservation Service (NRCS) activities with local partners, agricultural producers, and private landowners to address a variety of critical resource concerns across the nation. These partnerships work to find innovative ways that offer value-added contributions to expand collective ability to address on-farm, watershed, and regional natural resource concerns.

Partners develop projects that deliver solutions to their local natural resource concerns while receiving technical and financial help from NRCS. RCPP empowers local organizations and communities to pitch their own individual projects, with hundreds of proposals being received each year. Since 2014, nearly 400 partner projects have been selected for funding throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico. Through RCPP, NRCS seeks to co-invest with selected partners to implement projects that demonstrate innovative solutions to conservation challenges and provide measurable improvements and outcomes tied to the resource concerns to be addressed. NRCS continues to work side-by-side with these conservation partners who enter into contracts and supplemental agreements to carry out agreed-to conservation activities, including but not limited to land easements, watersheds, enhancing wildlife habitat, Land management/land improvement/restoration practices, and improving overall soil, air and water quality and quantity.

## The New RCPP

The 2018 Farm Bill made a number of substantial changes to RCPP:

- **RCPP** is now a standalone program with its own funding--\$360 million annually. Moving forward, partners, landowners and ag producers will enter into **RCPP** contracts and **RCPP** easements.
- **Emphasis on project outcomes**—all **RCPP** projects must now develop and report on their environmental outcomes.

Successful **RCPP** projects embody the following core principles:

- **Impact**—**RCPP** applications must propose effective and compelling solutions that address one or more natural resource priorities to help solve natural resource challenges. Partners are responsible for evaluating a project's impact and results.
- **Partner Contributions**—Lead partners are responsible for identifying any combination of cash and in-kind value-added (cost-share and/or Technical Assistance) contributions to leverage NRCS's **RCPP** investments. It is NRCS's goal that partner contributions at least equal the NRCS investment in an **RCPP** project. Substantial partner contributions are given priority consideration as part of the **RCPP** application evaluation criteria (ie. the more matching dollars shown as leverage means the more cost-share dollar potential per request).
- **Innovation**—NRCS seeks projects that integrate multiple conservation approaches, implement innovative conservation approaches or technologies, build new partnerships, and effectively take advantage of program flexibilities to deliver conservation solutions
- **Partnerships and Management**—Lead partners must have experience, expertise, and capacity to manage the partnership and project, provide outreach to producers, and quantify the environmental outcomes of an **RCPP** project. **RCPP** ranking criteria give preference to applicants that meaningfully engage historically underserved farmers and ranchers.

## RCPP Funding

Three past funding pools are now reduced to two—the National pool was eliminated. **RCPP** funding is divided evenly among two funding pools.:



#### **Critical Conservation Areas**

For projects in eight geographic areas chosen by the Secretary of Agriculture.



#### **State/Multistate**

For projects in a single state or across several states.

### **Who is Eligible?**

**Partner Eligibility** - Eligible organizations interested in partnering with NRCS on conservation projects can develop applications for the **RCPP** competition. The **Lead Partner** for an **RCPP** project is the entity that submits an application, and if selected for an award is ultimately responsible for collaborating with NRCS to successfully complete an **RCPP** project.

**Producer and Landowner Eligibility** - Once NRCS selects a project and executes an **RCPP** agreement with a lead partner, local partners, agricultural producers, and private landowners may participate in an **RCPP** project in one of two ways.

- First, producers may engage with project partners and delegate a willing partner to act as their representative in working with NRCS.
- Second, producers seeking to carry out conservation activities consistent with a **RCPP** project in the project's geographic area can apply directly to NRCS.

**Land Eligibility** - **RCPP** projects must be carried out on agricultural or nonindustrial private forest land or associated land on which NRCS determines an eligible activity would help achieve conservation benefits (i.e., improved condition of natural resources resulting from implementation of conservation activities).

Eligible conservation activities may be implemented on public lands when those activities will benefit eligible lands as determined by NRCS and are included in the scope of an approved **RCPP** project.

### **RCPP Conservation Activities**

**RCPP** projects may include a range of on-the-ground conservation activities implemented by farmers, ranchers and forest landowners. A single **RCPP** project application can propose to employ any combination of these eligible activity types as part of an **RCPP** project. These activities include:

- **Land management/land improvement/restoration practices**
- Land rentals
- Entity-held easements
- United States-held easements
- Public works/watersheds

### **Success Stories**

**RCPP** brings together a wide array of local and national partners, including Indian tribes, nonprofit organizations, state and local governments, private industry, conservation districts, water districts, universities and many others. So far, more than 2,000 partners are implemented by a diverse and capable partnership.

### **How to Apply to RCPP**

Proposals are accepted for **RCPP** projects through the **November 4, 2020 DEADLINE**.

## 2020 RCPP Application Information

The current 2020 RCPP proposal will apply through a **SE Iowa Watershed Partnership**, to include South Central Iowa Cedar Creek WMA, Soap Creek WMA, and the Lower Skunk River Watershed Area. It will be in the Critical Conservation Areas funding pool with a Mississippi River Basin Initiative (MRBI) priority concern. *Through the MRBI, NRCS and partners work with producers and landowners to implement voluntary conservation practices that improve water quality, restore wetlands, enhance wildlife habitat, and sustain agricultural profitability in the Mississippi River basin.*

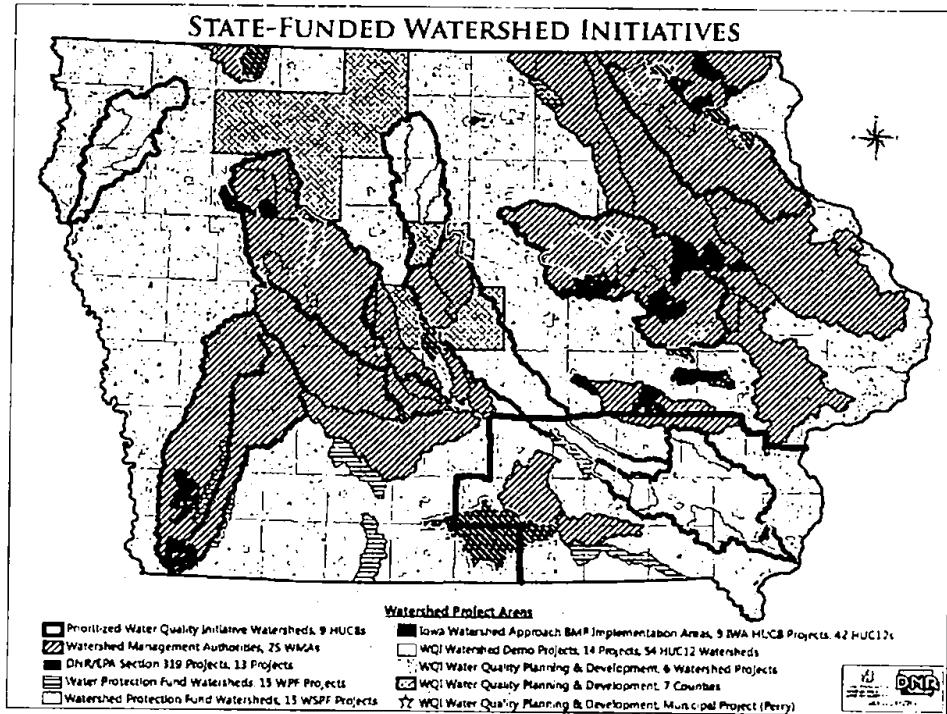
- Increased to 15 partnering counties:
  - Cedar Creek – Appanoose, Lucas, Mahaska, Marion, Monroe
  - Soap Creek – Appanoose, Davis, Monroe, Wapello
  - Skunk River – Des Moines, Henry, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lee, Louisa, Mahaska, Van Buren, Wapello, Washington
- Increased success of funding. Since this is a regional program, applying as a partnership, a larger geographical area, and more partner match commitment all help in application success due to higher RCPP ranking points.
- Increased geographical area. Beyond the ranking benefit is the opportunity to address water quality, soil health/loss, and overall watershed conservation concerns on a larger scope having potentially greater impact for SE Iowa.
- Increased cost-share opportunity. Proposal will apply for the RCPP \$10 million maximum request, with \$7 million going towards actual cost-share funding. As awarded, funding is to be shared between all involved watersheds through a ranking system designated by a partnership advisory committee, both to be determined at that time.
- Increased technical and outreach support. Permanent employment for Watershed Coordinator(s) and Technician(s) to support proposed watershed areas as needed.
- Increased partner-match commitment. A 50% match of committed cost-share and/or technical assistance (TA) dollars must be secured from the areas involved in the overall project proposal. Since all three entities applied last year, 2019 RCPP Letters of Support/Commitment simply need reviewed and updated for 2020 RCPP continued support.

### What we are asking of you as our Partner...

- Please consider continued support for the **2020 RCPP SE Iowa Watershed Partnership**. Partners such as you are critical to the 2020 RCPP grant process and as we move forward towards this exciting new opportunity.
- Calculate what you normally spend (or project to spend) in your respective watershed area on a 5-year average. This is the value we will show as Partner matching dollars, ie. matching Financial Assistance (FA) and/or Technical Assistance (TA) and note is this commitment will be as cash and/or in-kind funding.
- We want to leverage your existing and/or projected efforts; to give credit to existing work load without increasing it.
- Your Partner efforts DO NOT need to allocate special dollars to the area. Funds will NOT need to be set aside, simply separated per projects already designated in these areas.
- **Review and update RCPP Letters of Support/Commitment, sign and return by October 23, 2020.**
  - If you have NOT signed a RCPP Letter of Support/Commitment in the past, Thank-You for considering to join this conservation opportunity. A template letter is attached for reference and completion.
  - If you HAVE signed a 2019 RCPP Letter of Support/Commitment, Thank-You. A copy of your respective letter should also be attached. Please review and update according to your 5-year project plan (FY2022-2026), sign and return ASAP.
- Proposals accepted for RCPP projects through the **November 4, 2020 DEADLINE**.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns. Thank You for your time and consideration,  
Janelle K. Randau, Project Coordinator  
SCIACC WMA/Monroe Co SWCD  
[thegardenplannerjkr@gmail.com](mailto:thegardenplannerjkr@gmail.com)

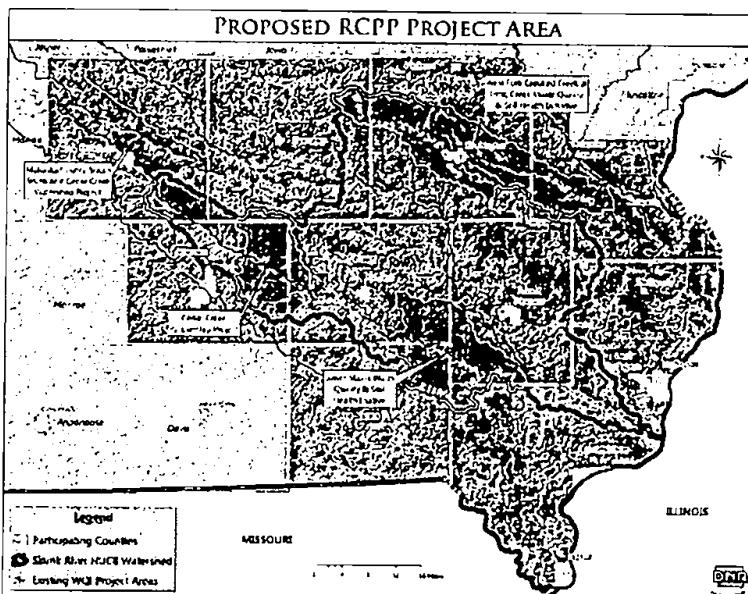
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IDALS and SCIACC WMA Partner  
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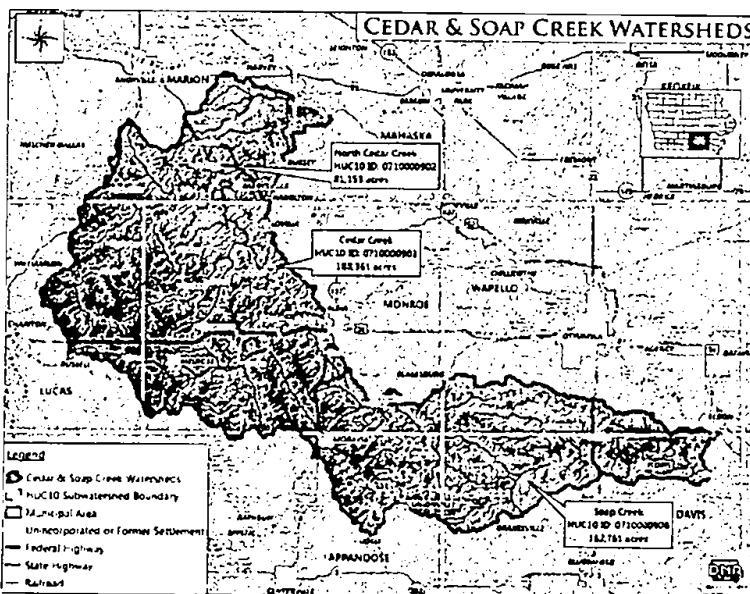
**Overview of Total  
Proposal Area**

**2020 RCPP**

**SE Iowa Watershed  
Partnership**



**Lower Skunk River  
Watershed Area**



**South Central Iowa  
Cedar Creek WMA**

**And**

**Soap Creek WMA**



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10/30/20

Appanoose County Board of Supervisors:

On October 27, 2020, Scott Squires turned in his resignation as Technician with the Appanoose County Conservation Board, effective October 30, 2020.

Thank You,

Joe Burg  
Conservation Director

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe Burg".

*Our mission statement: "To create a balance between man and his environment by educating, providing, and protecting the natural resources of Appanoose County"*

# *Board of Supervisors*

*Appanoose County Courthouse, 201 N 12<sup>th</sup> St. Centerville, IA 52544*

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*Linda Demry, Chairperson   Neal Smith   Mark McGill*

November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

## Appanoose County CDBG Grant Invoice

8 – Clorox Spore Defense Electrostatic Cleaners (\$3,499.99 each) = \$27,999.92

4 – Victory Electrostatic Backpack Sprayers (\$3,000.00 each) = \$12,000.00

2 – Mr. Sterilizer 100W UV-C Lamps (\$499.99 Each) = \$999.98

1- Centerville Care Coronavirus Food Drive = \$2,279.89

Total = \$43,279.79

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Appanoose County Board of Supervisors – Chairperson

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Date



November 12, 2020

Via Hand Delivery

Commissioner Kelly Howard  
Appanoose County Auditor  
201 N. 12th St.  
Centerville, IA 52544

RE: Request for Recount in Iowa's 2nd Congressional District

Dear Commissioner Howard:

Please accept this letter and the attached Recount Request Form as my request for a recount in the election for Iowa's 2nd Congressional District.

I am not including a bond with this request because the abstracts prepared by the county board of supervisors shows that the difference in the number of votes counted for me, as compared to my opponent, are below the number and percentage specified in Iowa Code § 50.48(2)(a) for which a bond is required.

I intend for the recount to be conducted in full compliance with all COVID guidelines, so that we can protect the health and safety of our friends, neighbors and public servants. I will see that anyone who has been exposed to COVID within the past 14 days or is showing signs of illness does not participate on my behalf, and I will direct my representatives to wear masks. I would respectfully ask that your office see that others take these same steps, also. My campaign would be glad to discuss these matters, or any other details relating to the recount, at your convenience.

Please let me know if there is any additional information you may need to effectuate this request.

Thank you,

Rita Hart  
Candidate for Iowa's 2nd Congressional District

**State of Iowa**  
**Request Form for Recount of Votes Cast for Office**

**Name of Person Requesting Recount:** Rita Hart

**Home Address:** 2764 130th Ave. **Wheatland** **52777**  
House Number and Street Address **City** **Zip Code**

**Phone Number:** 563-210-1252 **E-mail:** rita@ritahart.com

**Recount Requested for the Office of:** United States Representative District 2

**Type and Date of Election at which Office Appeared on the Ballot:**

General on 11 / 03 / 2020  Primary on       /      /        Special on       /      /        
 City on       /      /        School on       /      /      

**Precinct(s) to be Recounted:**  All  Selected: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bond:**

Enclosed is the necessary bond in the amount of: \$                   . I understand that this will be returned to me only if the results of the recount change the outcome of the election.  
**OR**  No bond is required to request this recount.

**I choose the following person to serve on the Recount Board:**

**Name of Designee:** Bob Thomas

**Designee's Home Address:** 614 S. Main St **Centerville** **52544**  
House Number and Street Address **City** **Zip Code**

**Designee's Phone Number:** 641-895-0623 **Designee's E-mail:** bob.thomas52544@gmail.com

*\*Designee must be available to participate in the recount during the 18 days following the canvass of the election.*

**I am eligible to request this recount because:**

My name appeared on the ballot as a candidate for this office in the precinct(s) where the recount is requested.  
**OR**  I received write-in votes for this office in the precinct(s) where the recount is requested, and I am legally qualified to seek and hold this office.

**Signature:** Rita R. Hart **Date:** 11/12/2020

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

**Date Received:**       /      /      

**Apparent Winner Notified:**  By Certified Mail:       /      /        By Telephone:       /      /      

**Recount Board will convene at:** \_\_\_\_\_

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APPANOOSA CO. AUDITOR  
CENTERVILLE, IOWA

**FILED**