Randall RC&D Project : Welcome to a Better Place to Live

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WELCOME TO A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE

PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER

YOU AND YOUR NEIGHBORS HOLD THE KEY

Cooperative Extension Service of South Dakota State University and U. S. Department of Agriculture in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service.
RESOURCES
The road to prosperity lies in recognizing all natural resources of an area—conserving and developing them for the benefit of the people.

land...

Soil scientists map the kinds of soil acre by acre

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Soil Conservation Service Photo

water...

Water for irrigation, municipal, and industrial use and recreation

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Corps of Engineers Photo

people...

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CONSERVATION
Conservation is the first step. Erosion must be stopped and fertility restored. When there is erosion, watercourses fill with sediment and water reservoirs are doomed. Lush growing plants yield marketable products, protect soil, add beauty.

Grass and cattle plus conservation mean more profit on farm lands

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DEVELOPMENT
Conservation-treated land and protected water sources are necessary for an enduring prosperity. On them can be built playgrounds, industries, schools, and facilities to serve a growing population.

Erosion control structures reduce sediment and protect county roads

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Irrigation: water resources and land resources, combined for more profit, jobs, and income

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Recreation: people enjoying our water and land resources that help make the Randall project area a pleasant and desirable place to live and work

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New industries: new jobs, more people in the area

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WHAT THE RANDALL RC&D PROJECT IS
Randall Resource Conservation and Development is a locally initiated and sponsored endeavor to plan and carry out a comprehensive program of resource development. The people of the three-county area — Bon Homme, Charles Mix, and Douglas—are bound together by common problems, resources, needs, and goals.

The Food and Agriculture Act of 1962 directed agencies of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to cooperate with the local sponsors of the RC&D project in achieving their resource development goals. The Randall RC&D project is governed by a steering committee made up of representatives of sponsoring groups.

Its overall objective is the comprehensive development of the agricultural, industrial, recreational, and economic resources within the area.

WHAT THE RANDALL RC&D PROJECT DOES
• Provides assistance to local groups for overall project plan development through the coordinated efforts of local leadership and state and federal agencies concerned.
• Provides opportunity for organizing local and federal technical and financial resources to carry out the project plan under local guidance and with local participation.
• Enables all segments of the community—rural, suburban, and urban—to coordinate their activities toward a unified approach in meeting local problems and improving resources.
• Makes additional technical assistance available where needed to speed up development and application of conservation plans for individual operating units and for group structural works and facilities.
• Provides for federal cost-sharing on structural works for eligible group and community enterprises outside of feasible Public Law 566 watershed projects.
• Speeds up the process of locating and determining feasibility of potential 566 watershed projects.
• Provides for long-time, low-cost loans to eligible groups or communities to finance their share of the costs for resource developments.
• Stimulates development of needed roads, storage, processing facilities for agricultural products, and other related items that will increase employment and economic benefits in the project area.

HELP IS AVAILABLE
The Randall RC&D Project is ready to help any group or individual develop and initiate project proposals to aid in solving local resource problems. Steering committee members include:

Charles Mix County
Ted Krell, Lake Andes—Fort Randall Conservancy Sub-District; Harvey Johanssen, Wagner—Charles Mix County Conservation District; Wes Carada, Wagner—Charles Mix County Commissioners.

Douglas County
Marvin Larson, Armour—Fort Randall Conservancy Sub-District; Marvin Olawsky, Armour—Douglas County Conservation District; C. J. Menning, Corsica—Douglas County Commissioners.

Bon Homme County
Steve Sedlacek, Scotland—Scotland Conservation District; Robert Slade, Springfield—Fort Randall Conservancy Sub-District; Ted Fennema, Dante—Emanuel Chouteau Creek Conservation District; Frank Mann, Springfield—Bon Homme County Commissioners.

For information or assistance on active projects or project proposal suggestions, contact any of the above named steering committee members, your local Conservation District, County Extension office, or the RC&D project office in the following locations:

Charles Mix and Douglas County Conservation District office, Lake Andes, Phone 387-7501
Bon Homme County Conservation District office, Tyndall, Phone 598-3232
Douglas County Extension office, Armour, Phone 119
Charles Mix County Extension office, Lake Andes Phone 487-7510
Bon Homme County Extension office, Tyndall, Phone 589-3531
Lyle Laberee, RC&D Project Coordinator, Lake Andes, Phone 487-7501
Leonard Nelson, Area Extension Agent, (RC&D Project), Lake Andes, Phone 487-7510

PROJECT PROPOSALS ARE NEEDED
Your project proposals will be developed as rapidly or as slowly as you act. You and your neighbors must provide the leadership and organize local support for the proposals. No agency can or will assume the responsibility of developing a resource in your area unless you and your neighbors are in full support.

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