

Peanut Soil and Water Conservation District

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Peanut Soil and Water District serves
the counties of Isle of Wight and Surry
and the city of Suffolk

Annual Report

2021 Ag. Best Management Practice Cost Share and Tax Credit Program

During the period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 the PSWCD with assistance from NRCS, helped landowners and producers install the following practices.

- CCI-CNT- Long Term Continuous No-Till Planting System - 3,349.69 Acres
- NM-1A- Nutrient Management Plan Writing - 81,253.38
- NM-3C Split Application of Nitrogen on Corn 12,898.43 acres
- NM-4 Late Winter Split Application of Nitrogen on Small Grains 430.42 acres
- NM-5N Precision Nutrient Management on Cropland Nitrogen - 6,838.82 acres
- NM-5P Precision Phosphorus Nutrient Management on Cropland - 75.60 acres
- SL-1 Long Term Vegetative Cover on Cover Crop - 10.67 acres
- SL-15A Continuous High Residue Minimal Soil Disturbance Tillage System 383.34 acres
- SL-8B Small Grain and Mixed Cover Crop - 40,931.13 acres
- SL-8H Harvestable Cover Crop - 1073.40 Acres

A total \$2,292,045.95 was spent on the above practices that benefited over 147,244.88 acres in Isle of Wight and Surry Counties and the City of Suffolk.

The Best Management Practices (BMP) Program provides funds to help members of the farming community to install conservation practices that protect water quality. The program supports numerous practices in conservation planning to improve cropland, pastureland and forest land to treat animal waste. NRCS and the PSWCD has worked with landowners to install BMP's to reduce polluted runoff, reduce soil erosion, and increase efficiency in farming and other land use operations.

Equipment Rental Program

The PSWCD's No-Till Drill provides a valuable service to landowners throughout the area. Producers who do not have the need or opportunity to purchase no-till equipment can still take advantage of no-till planting benefits. During the 2020-2021 fiscal year approximately 1500 acres were seeded with the District's no-till drills.



2021 Scholarship Program

Peanut SWCD would like to congratulate our two scholarship recipients!

Brendan Old is a graduate of Nansemond River High School and will attend ODU. He will be majoring in Marine Biology. Congratulations and best of luck!

Noah Green is a graduate of Nansemond River High School and will attend VCU. He will be majoring in Biology. Congratulations and best of luck!

VCAP

The VCAP program provides landowner cost share assistance for Best Management Practices, such as Rain Gardens, Living Shorelines, Green Roofs, Infiltration and Water Harvesting. We installed 2,000 square feet of permeable pavement driveway for 2 producers this PY.

Farm Days

Unfortunately, we did not get to have Farm Days last year, but hopefully we will be on the farm again this October!



Awards Banquet

Due to Covid we were not able to recognize our award winners from 2020 until this summer. We had a nice dinner at Vintage Tavern and followed with the presentation of awards. City of Suffolk - James Johnson - J&J Farms, Isle of Wight- Chris Carr and Surry- The Wooden Family. Congratulations to all winners!



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The Peanut SWCD would like to thank everyone for their help with all of our events throughout the previous year. You all have been great, and to all of our clients, thank you for promoting locally-led conservation. We look forward to assisting you with all of your needs throughout the upcoming year.

BMP Sign-Up 2022

The Peanut SWCD BMP sign-up 2022 was July 1, 2021 thru August 31, 2021. Thank you to everyone who met the deadline for this program. If you have any questions, please give us a call at 279-3277. We look forward to a great year getting your conservation practices on the ground.

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