

Agenda

- Soil and Water Program Updates
 - Commission update
 - FY25 Income and Expenditure
 - Review FY26 Budget and Projections FY27 Budget Planning
 - Engineering Support
 - Sales Tax renewal
 - SWCD Annual Report
 - Cultural Resource reviews
- MASWCD Updates
 - STAR Program
 - Area Elections
 - Conservation Partnership Award
- Partner updates
 - NRCS
 - Employee Association
 - MDC
 - MDA
 - MU



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Area Meetings - 2025

Jim Plassmeyer

August 26 and 28, 2025

Jeff
Lance
Member



Gary
Vandiver
Chair



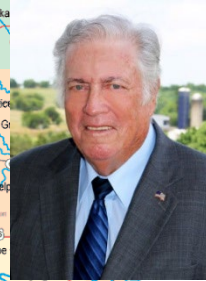
H. Ralph
Gaw
Vice Chair



Keith Stevens
Member



Kenny Lovelace
Member



Tim
Martin
Member
Resigned July 15,
2025



Farmer Members of Soil and Water Districts Commission

Commission Actions

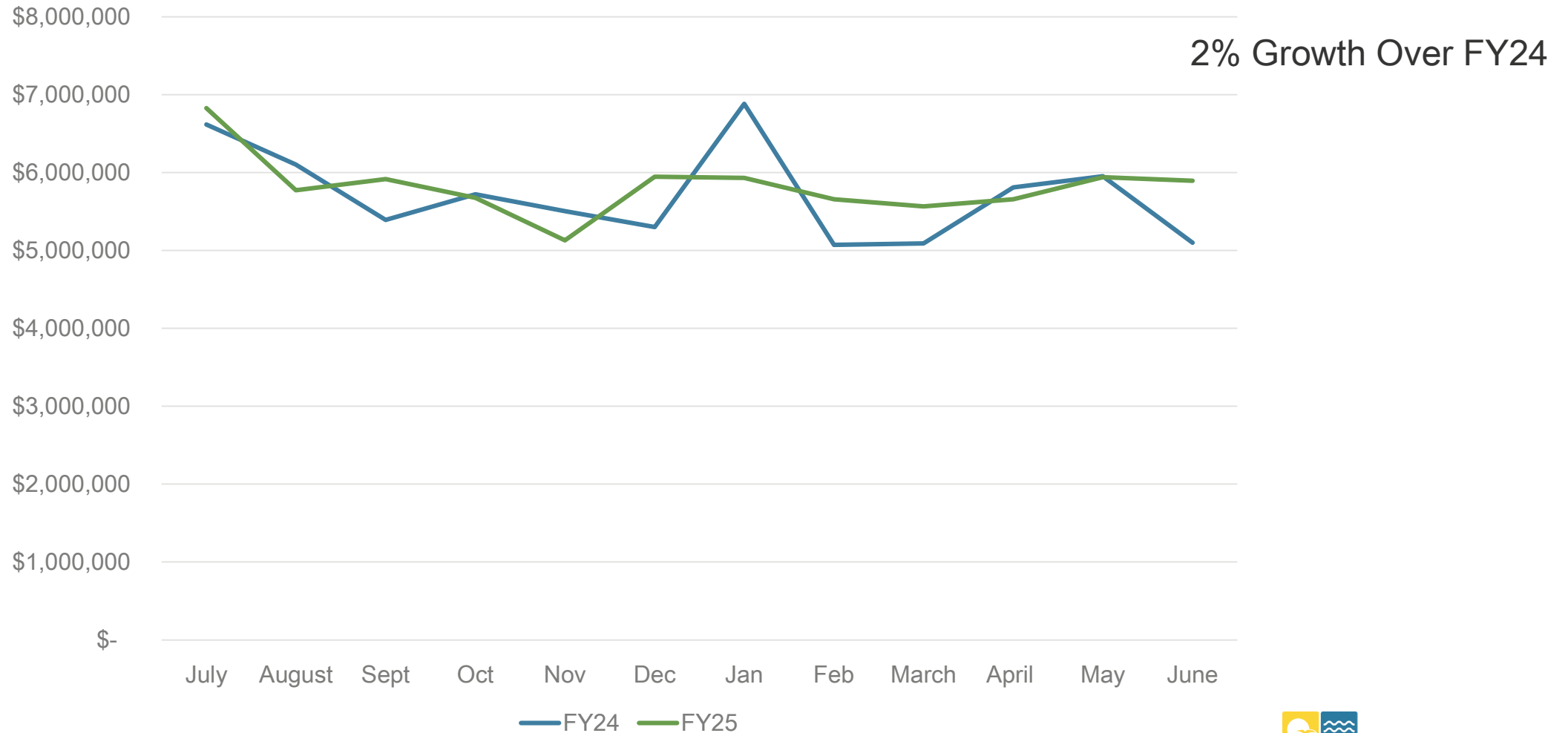
- Grazing system acre dollar limits increased
 - 3.1 - \$150, 3.2 - \$180, 3.4 - \$75
- Cover crop
 - Annual maximum \$5,000
 - Payment Date – April 1
- DWC-01 cost-share maximum
- Animal Waste Management Practice dollar maximum increased
- Streambank stabilization practice signature authority
- Support for Native Cool Season Grass Establishment Research
- Continuation of Targeted Watershed Initiative

FY25 Revenue as of 06/30/2025

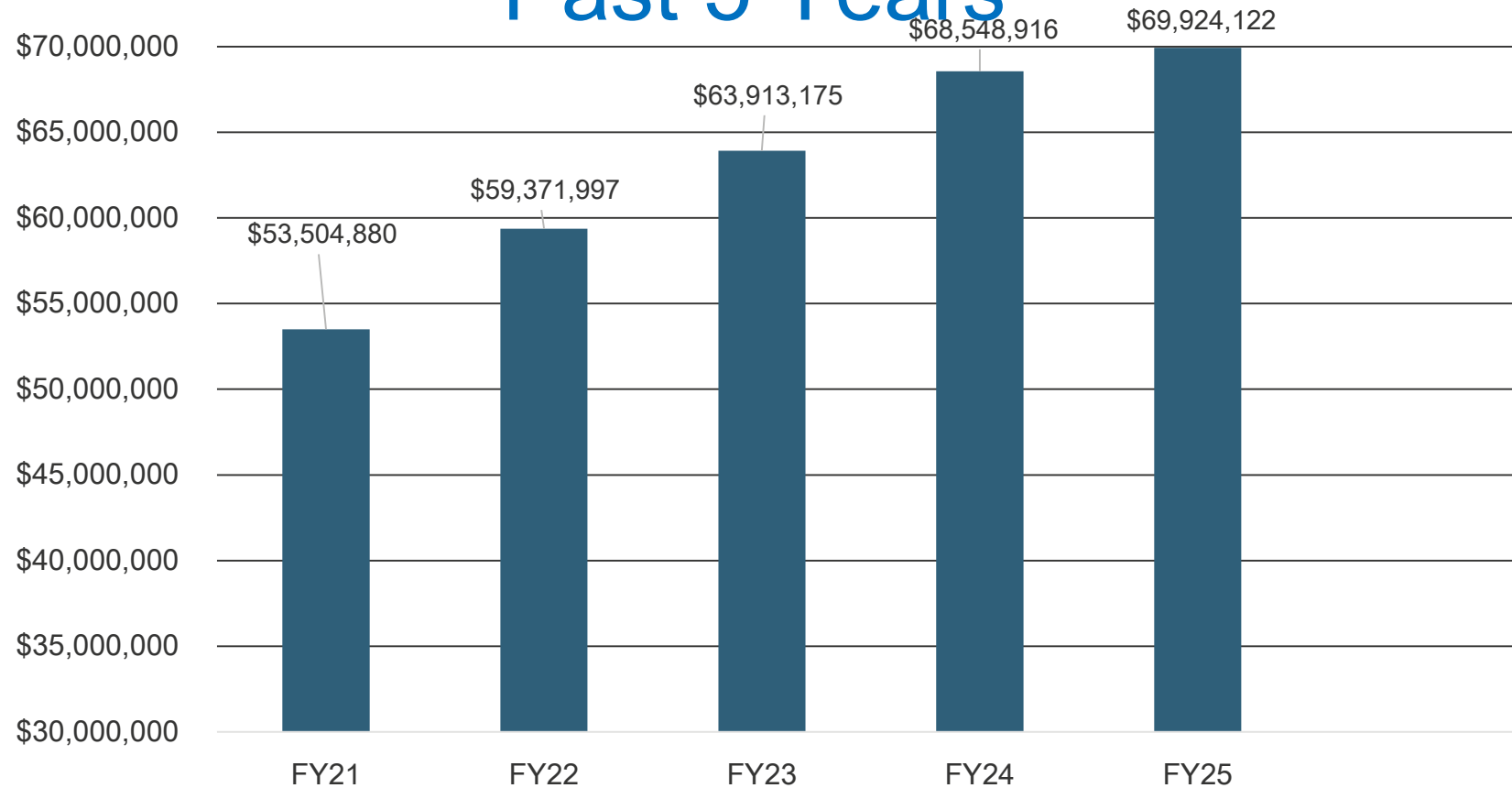
Revenue Sources	Amount
Soil and Water Sales Tax Revenue	\$69,924,122.29
Interest	\$1,523,630.62
Vendor Refunds	\$212,077.74
	\$71,659,830.65

Sales Tax Revenue

Monthly Comparison of FY24 to FY25



Sales Tax Revenue Totals for Past 5 Years



FY25 Expenditures

Soil and Water Conservation Program

Program Administration
Program Salary
Social Security/Medicare
Health Insurance
Retirement
Worker's Comp
Program E&E
Building Costs
ITSD
DNR Department Support

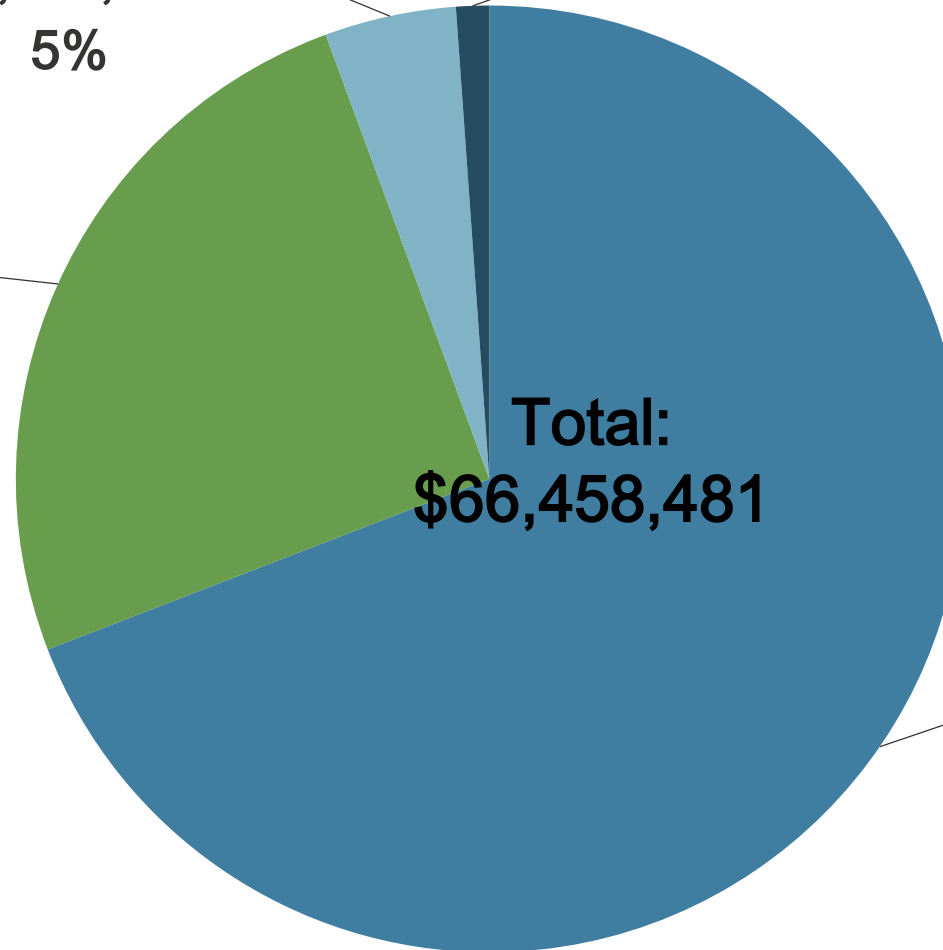
Program Admin,
\$2,985,019
5%

Other, \$749,167
1%

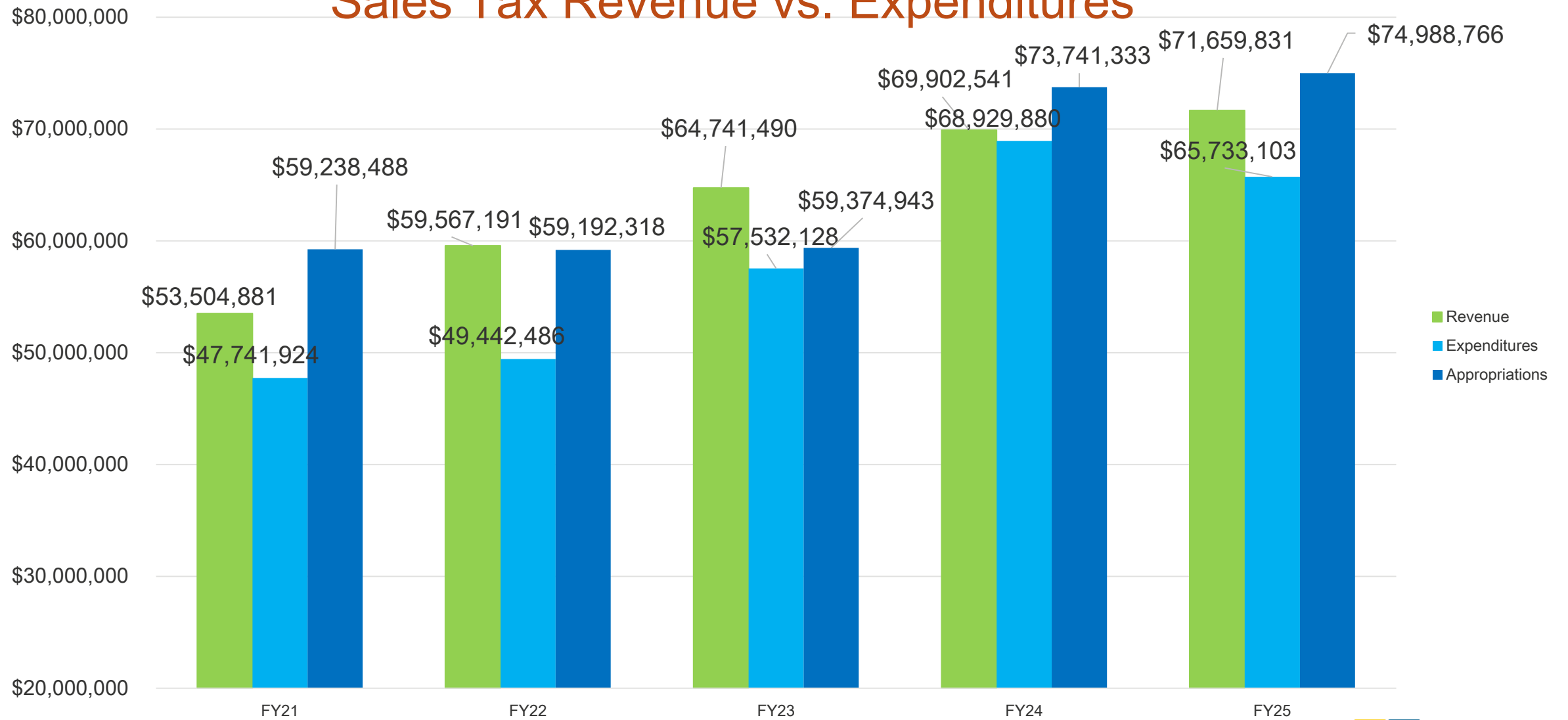
Other
Research
Conservation Monitoring
Refunds
Sales Tax Collection
State Auditor
Attorney General

District Oper,
\$16,778,432
25%

District Operations
District Salary
Social Security/Medicare
Health Insurance
Retirement
Worker's Comp
District Administration
ITSD
District Contract Audits
Surety Bond
Technical Assistance

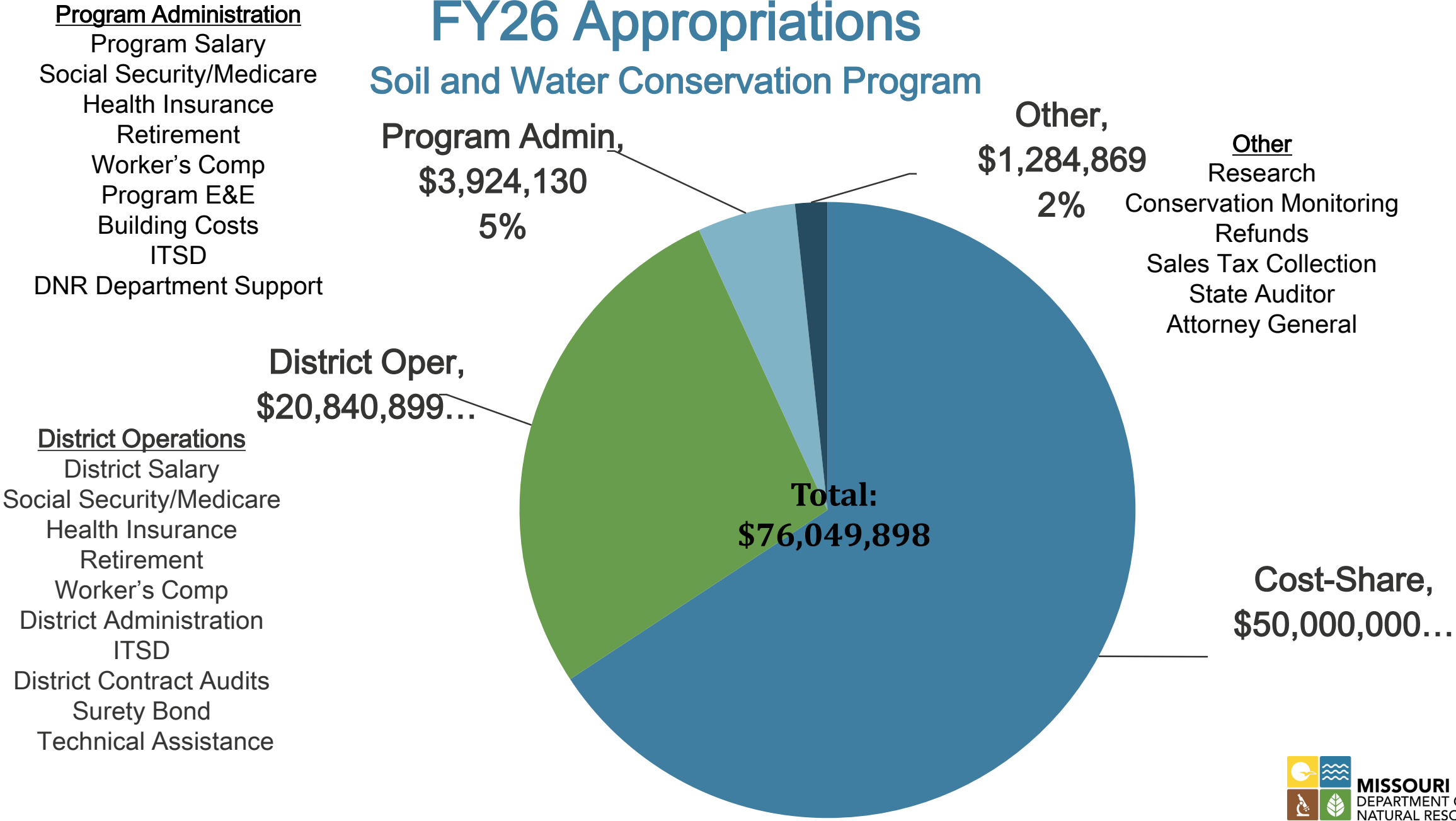


Sales Tax Revenue vs. Expenditures



FY26 Appropriations

Soil and Water Conservation Program



Status of the Cash Balance of the Soil and Water Sales Tax Fund

Cash Balance July 1, 2024	\$35,901,962
Cash Balance July 1, 2025	\$41,828,689
Projected Cash Balance July 1, 2026	\$39,746,167

Assumptions for Cash Balance Projections:

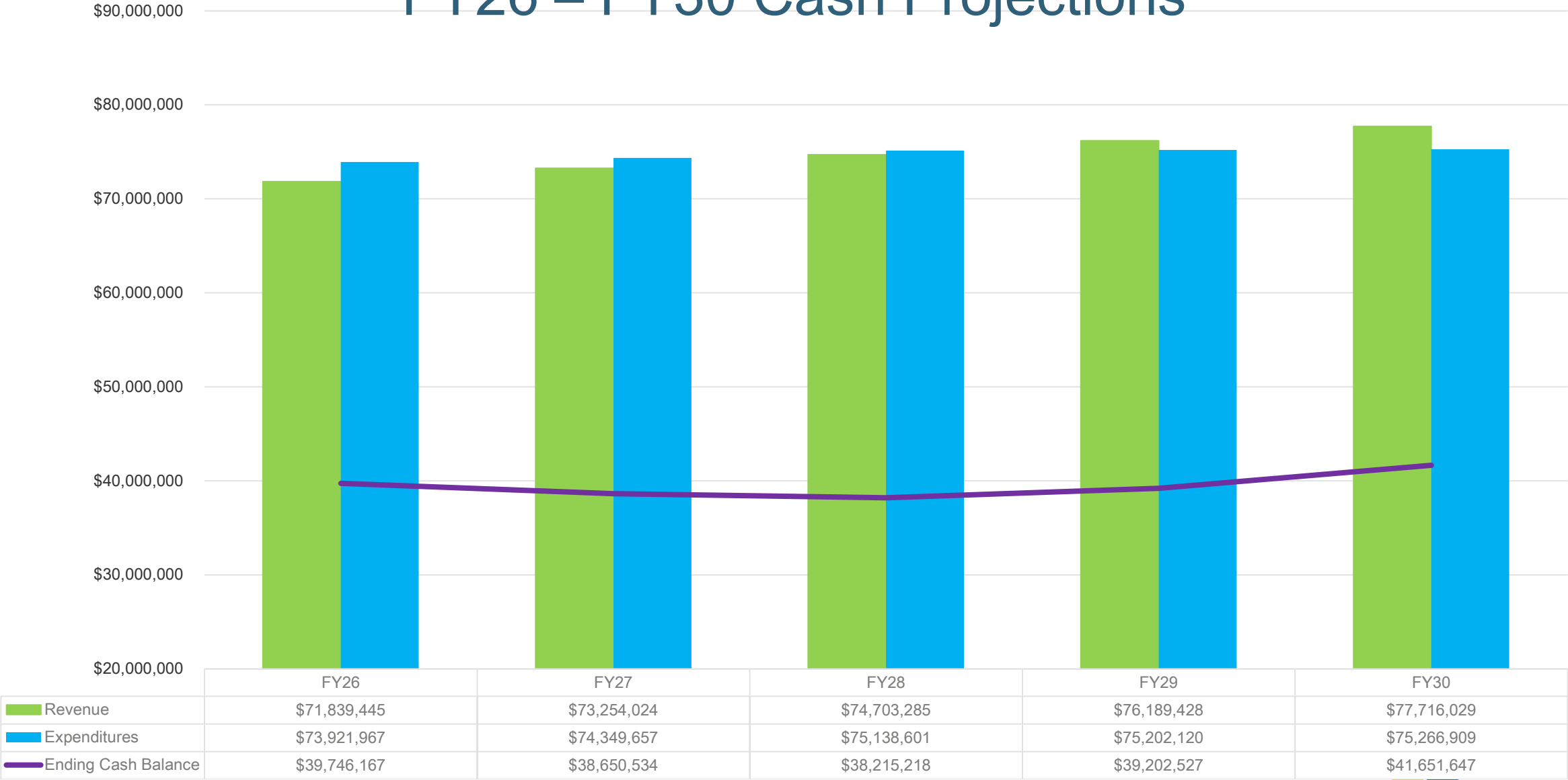
Revenue:

- 2% Increase in Sales Tax Revenue

Expenditures:

- 2% Pay plan Increase for Program
- 2% Pay plan Increase for District Staff (until FY28 when appropriation is reached)
- Cash Balance is calculated using \$50M cost share appropriation

FY26 – FY30 Cash Projections



Impacts to Cash Balance

- Progression line increase - 2% up to 10% Increase.
- Added 14 new district specialist positions around the state
- Insurance premium increases
 - Historical average has been 6% growth year over year
 - Added \$600 monthly stipend for dependent coverage
- District staff vacancies
- Cost share utilization
 - Projection \$50 million – Will we get there?
- Sales tax income
 - Projections - 2% growth
 - July 2025 is 7.92% less than July 2024
- Commission thoughts on balance to maintain

FY25 Cost-Share Final Numbers

As of May 2025:

\$56.2 million obligated

As of June 30, 2025:

\$4.9 million cancelled

\$5.4 million rolled over

Includes Cover

Crops

\$5.3 Million

2,778 Contracts

165,932 Acres

Resource Concern	Number of Contracts	Contract Payments
Animal Waste Management	39	\$2,764,885
Grazing Management	618	\$4,280,502
Irrigation Management	210	\$4,096,473
Nutrient & Pest Management	154	\$110,280
Sensitive Areas	247	\$3,618,082
Sheet and Rill/Gully	4811	\$30,063,910
Woodland Erosion	173	\$744,905
Act Now	13	\$41,123
Mozingo Lake	6	\$11,146
Lower Grand	20	\$214,552
TOTAL	6291	\$45,945,863



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Resource Concern	FY25 Number of Contracts	FY25 Contract Payments	FY24 Number of Contracts	FY24 Contract Payments
Animal Waste Management	39	\$ 2,764,885.96	33	\$ 2,267,556.38
Grazing Management	618	\$ 4,280,502.75	811	\$ 5,316,036.72
Irrigation Management	210	\$ 4,096,473.20	168	\$ 2,965,948.54
Nutrient & Pest Management	154	\$ 110,280.40	296	\$ 242,335.10
Sensitive Areas	247	\$ 3,618,082.48	224	\$ 2,868,678.01
Sheet and Rill/Gully	4811	\$ 30,063,910.49	5770	\$ 35,064,823.47
Woodland Erosion	173	\$ 744,905.59	158	\$ 709,584.15
ACT NOW	13	\$ 41,123.35	7	\$ 7,200.00
Mozingo Lake	6	\$ 11,146.80	7	\$ 78,304.29
Lower Grand	20	\$ 214,552.37	0	\$ -
TOTAL	6291	\$45,945,863.39	7474	\$49,520,466.66



FY25 FINAL Cost-Share Payments

All Resource Concerns

295,845 Acres
Served

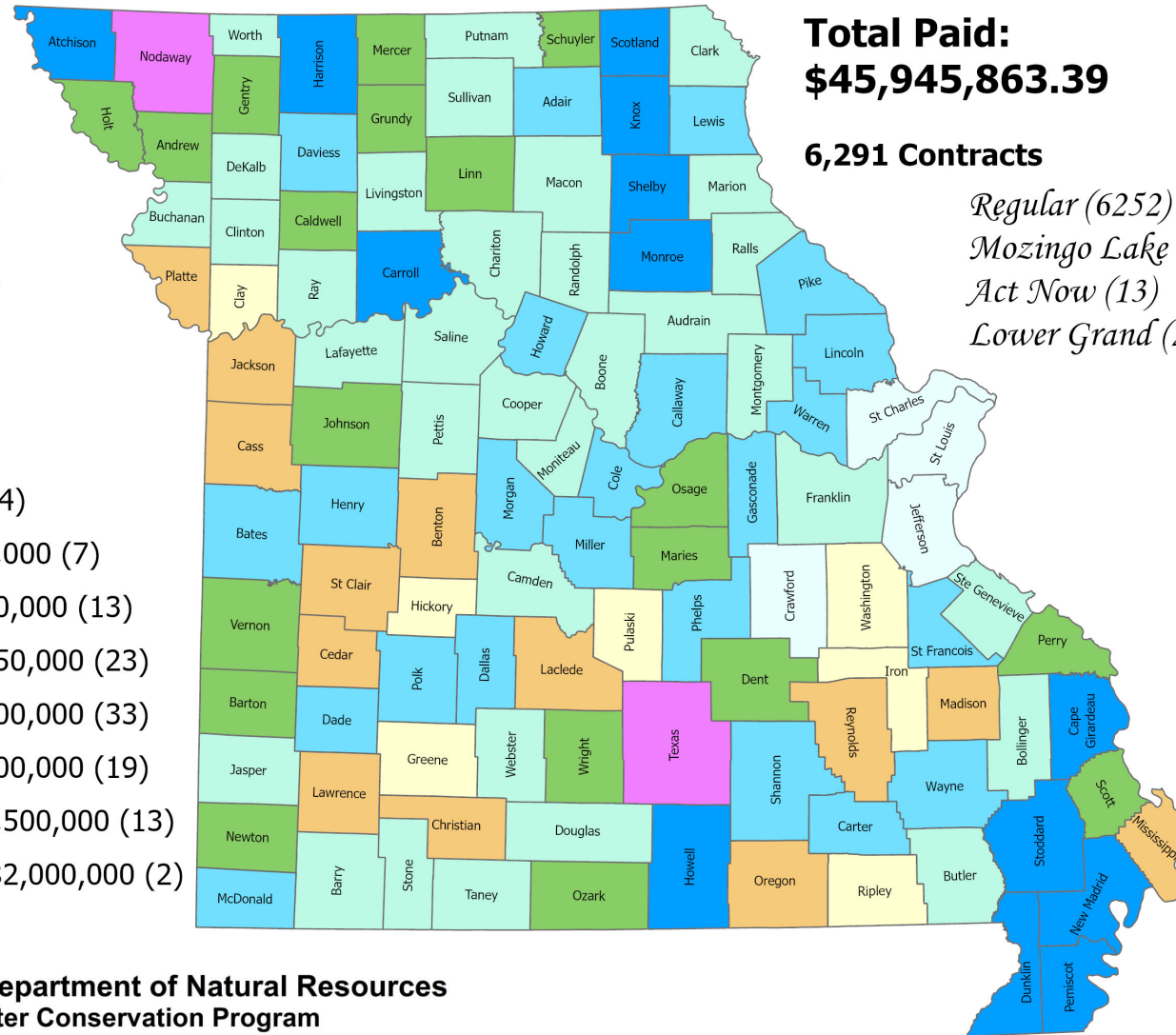
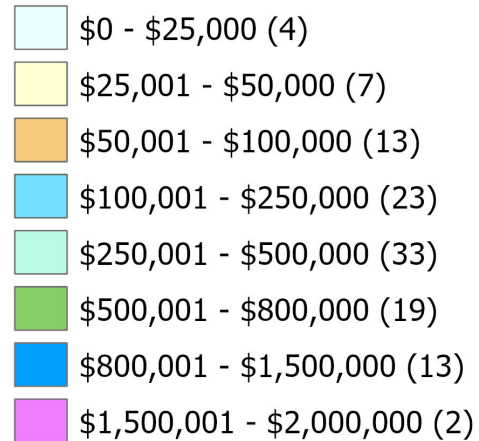
1,065,405 Tons of
Soil Saved over
Practice Life Span

Total Paid:
\$45,945,863.39

6,291 Contracts

Regular (6252)
Mozingo Lake (6)
Act Now (13)
Lower Grand (20)

YearlyTotal



FY25 FINAL Cost-Share Payments

Sheet Rill and Gully

222,673 Acres
Served

1,053,818 Tons of
Soil Saved over
Practice Life Span

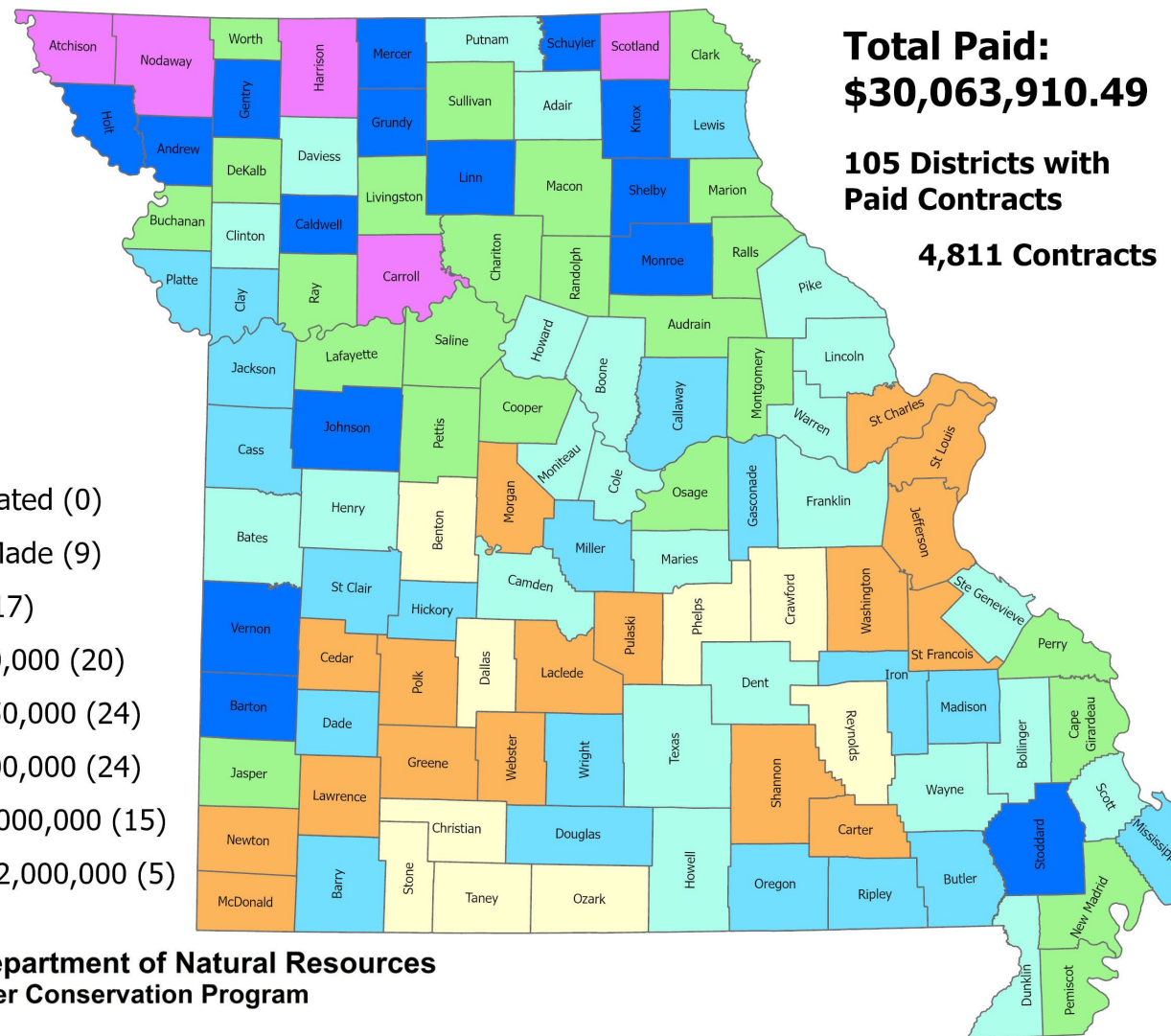
Total Paid:
\$30,063,910.49

**105 Districts with
Paid Contracts**

4,811 Contracts

SRG

- No Funds Allocated (0)
- No Payments Made (9)
- \$0 - \$25,000 (17)
- \$25,001 - \$100,000 (20)
- \$100,001 - \$250,000 (24)
- \$250,001 - \$500,000 (24)
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 (15)
- \$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000 (5)



FY25 FINAL Cost-Share Payments Grazing Management

45,135 Acres
Served

*5,679 Tons of Soil
Saved over Practice
Life Span*

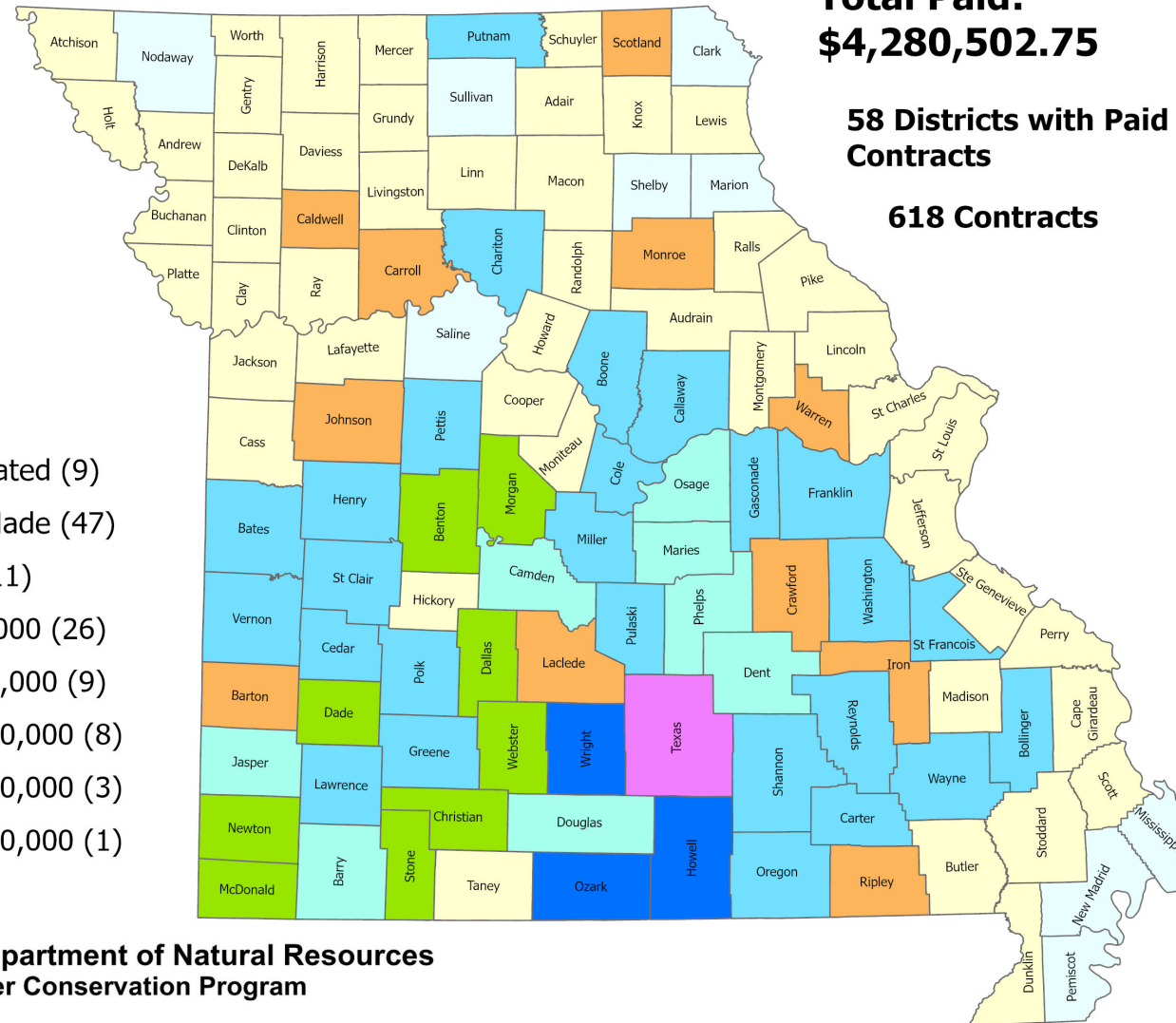
Total Paid:
\$4,280,502.75

58 Districts with Paid Contracts

618 Contracts



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|---------------------------|
| No Funds Allocated (9) |
| No Payments Made (47) |
| \$0 - \$10,000 (11) |
| \$10,001 - \$50,000 (26) |
| \$50,001 - \$100,000 (9) |
| \$100,001 - \$200,000 (8) |
| \$200,001 - \$500,000 (3) |
| \$500,001 - \$700,000 (1) |



FY25 Final Cost-Share Payments

Irrigation Management

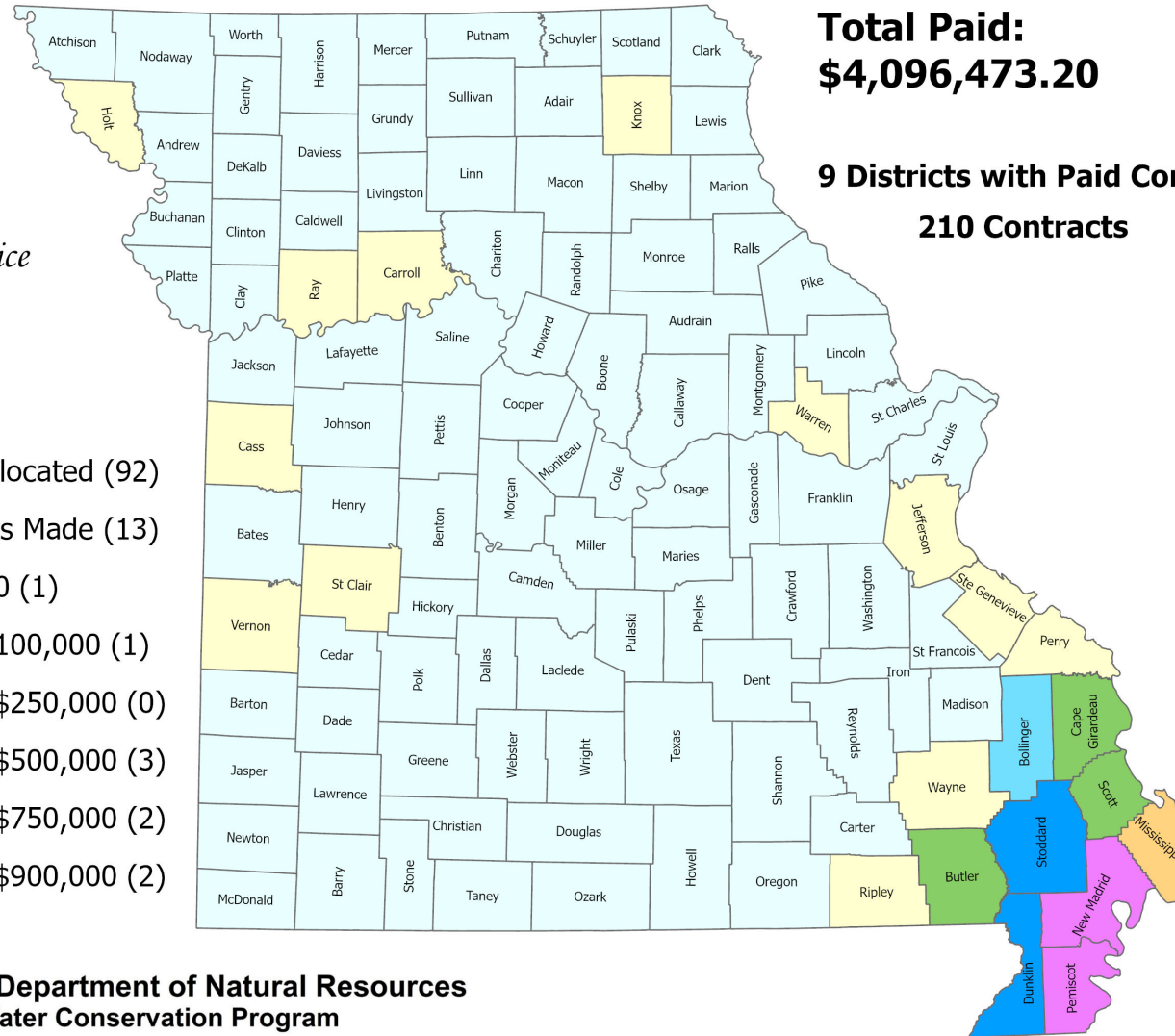
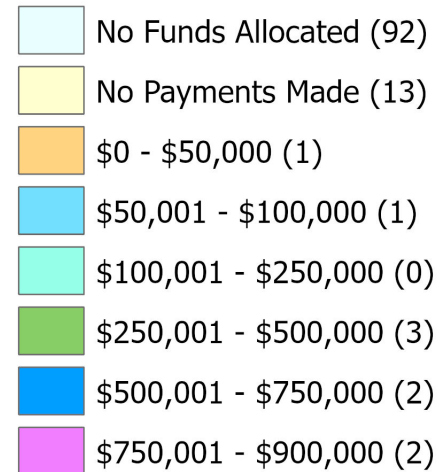
*13,936 Acres
Served*

*0 Tons of Soil
Saved over Practice
Life Span*

**Total Paid:
\$4,096,473.20**

**9 Districts with Paid Contracts
210 Contracts**

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FY25 FINAL Cost-Share Payments

Sensitive Areas

*1,262 Acres
Served*









*5,110 Tons of Soil
Saved over Practice
Life Span*

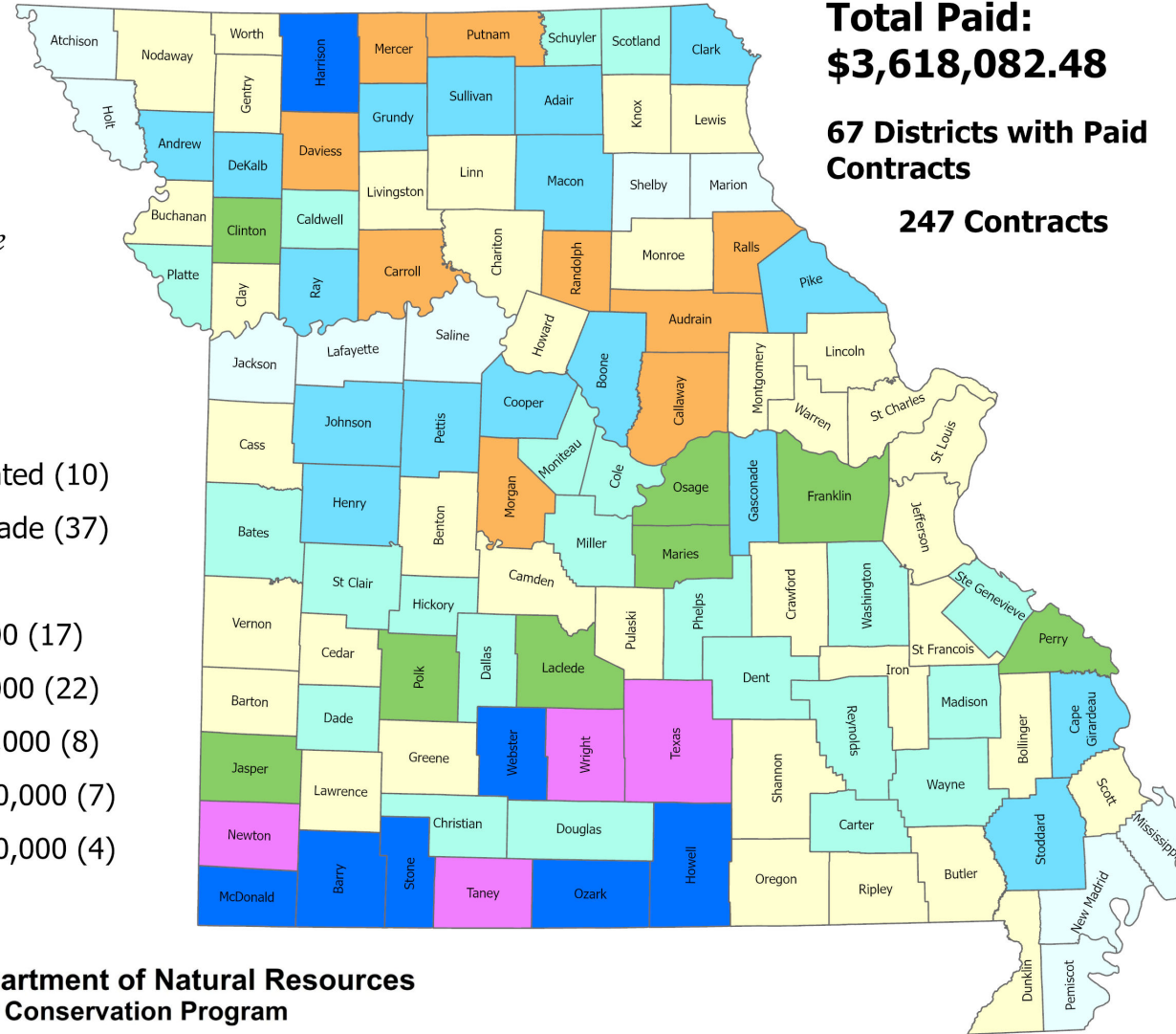
**Total Paid:
\$3,618,082.48**

**67 Districts with Paid
Contracts**

247 Contracts

SA

-  No Funds Allocated (10)
-  No Payments Made (37)
-  \$0 - \$1,000 (9)
-  \$1,001 - \$10,000 (17)
-  \$10,001 - \$50,000 (22)
-  \$50,001 - \$100,000 (8)
-  \$100,001 - \$250,000 (7)
-  \$250,001 - \$500,000 (4)



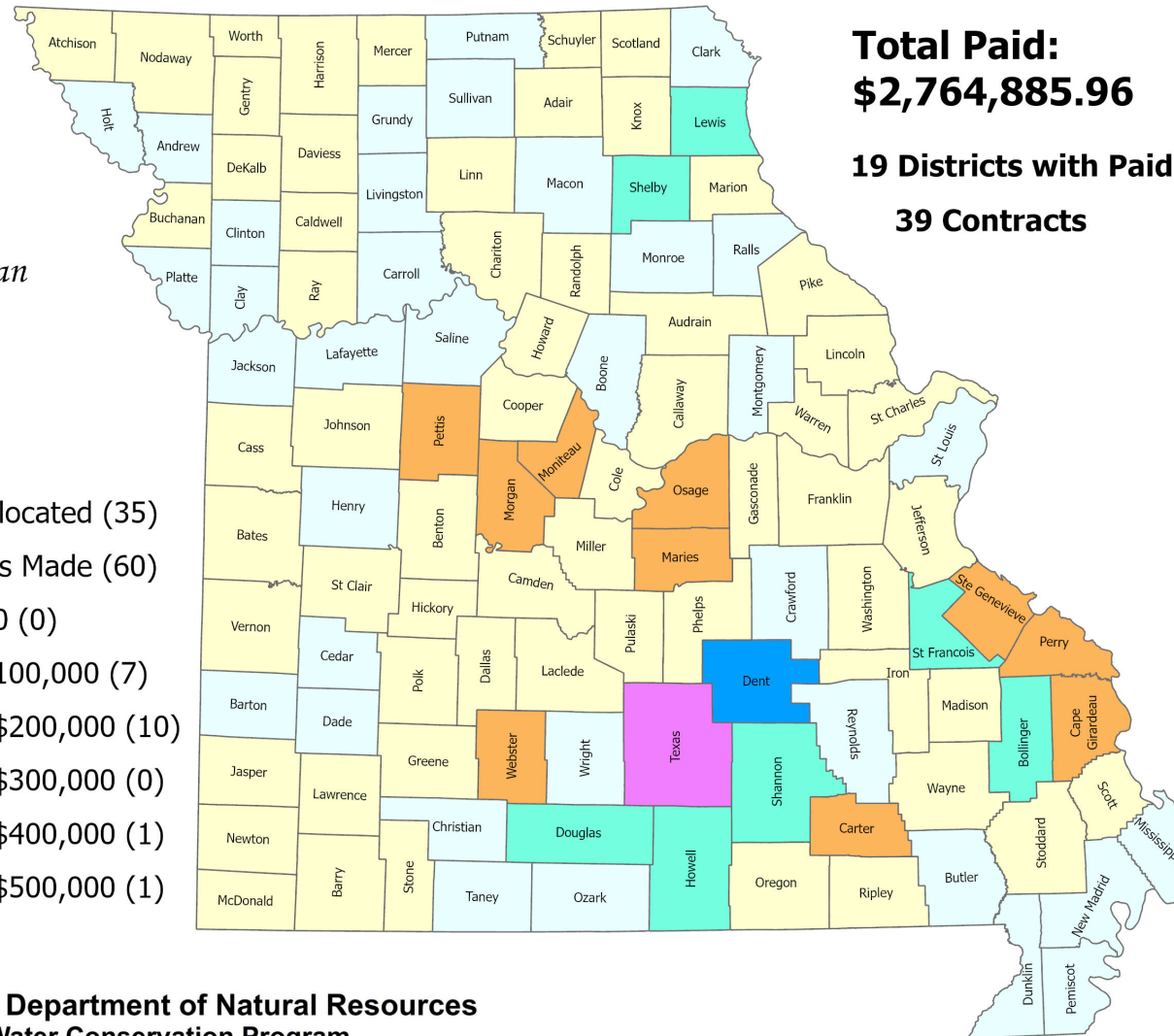
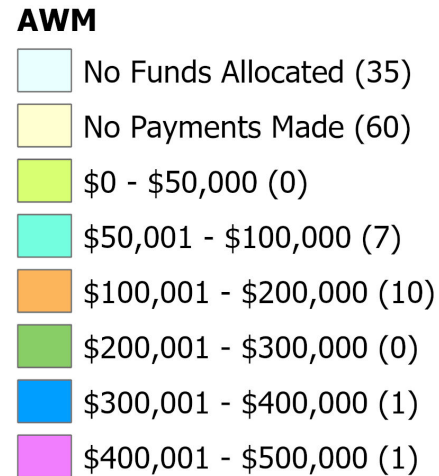
FY25 FINAL Cost-Share Payments Animal Waste Management

0 Acres Served

*0 Tons of Soil
Saved over
Practice Life Span*

Total Paid:
\$2,764,885.96

19 Districts with Paid contracts
39 Contracts



FY25 FINAL Cost-Share Payment

Woodland Erosion

3,733 Acres
Served

0 Tons of Soil
Saved over Practice
Life Span

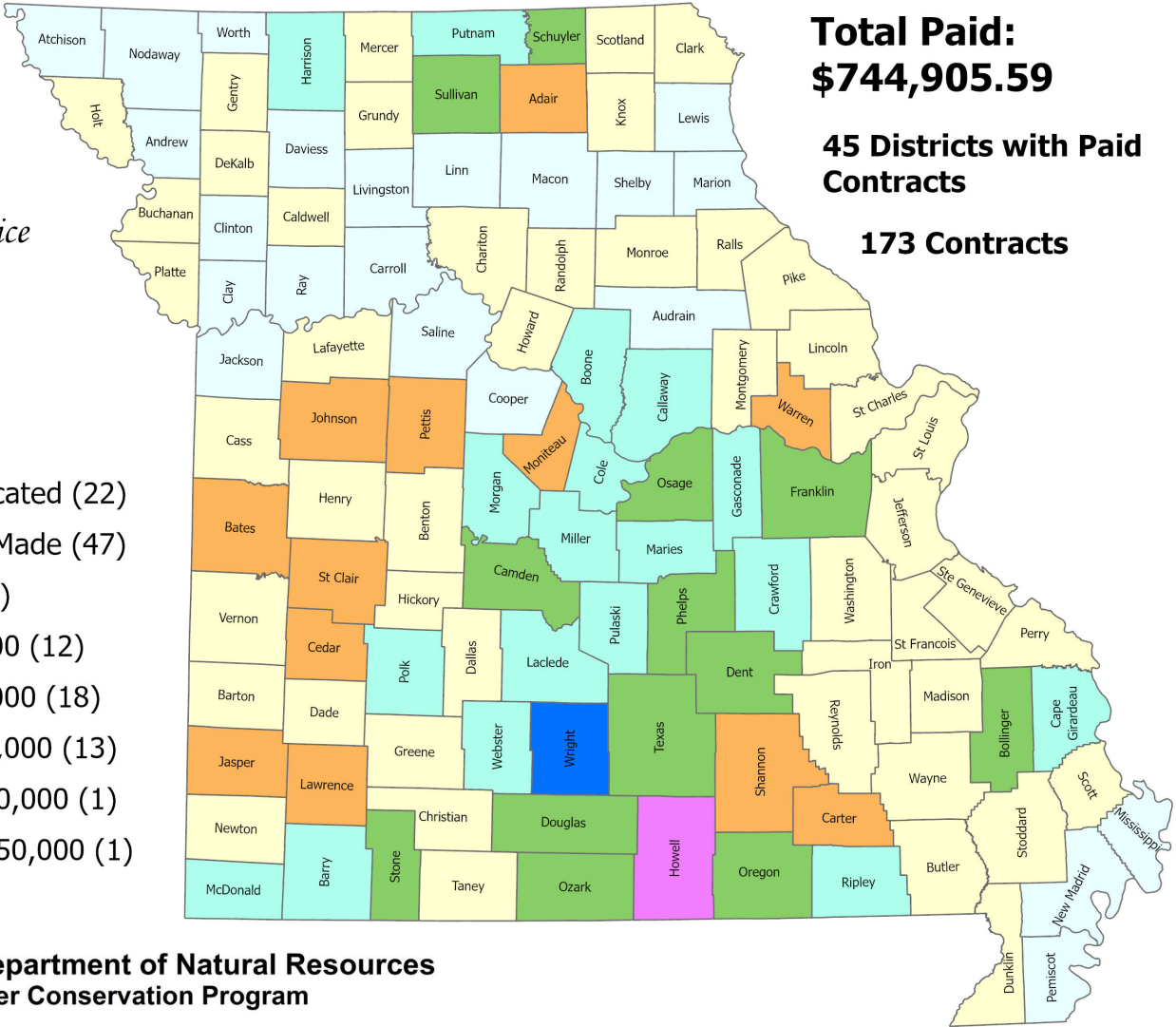
Total Paid:
\$744,905.59

45 Districts with Paid
Contracts

173 Contracts

WE

- No Funds Allocated (22)
- No Payments Made (47)
- \$0 - \$1,000 (0)
- \$1,001 - \$5,000 (12)
- \$5,001 - \$15,000 (18)
- \$15,001 - \$50,000 (13)
- \$50,001 - \$100,000 (1)
- \$100,001 - \$150,000 (1)



FY25 FINAL Cost-Share Payments

Nutrient Pest Management

*8,587 Acres
Served*

*798 Tons of Soil
Saved over Practice
Life Span*

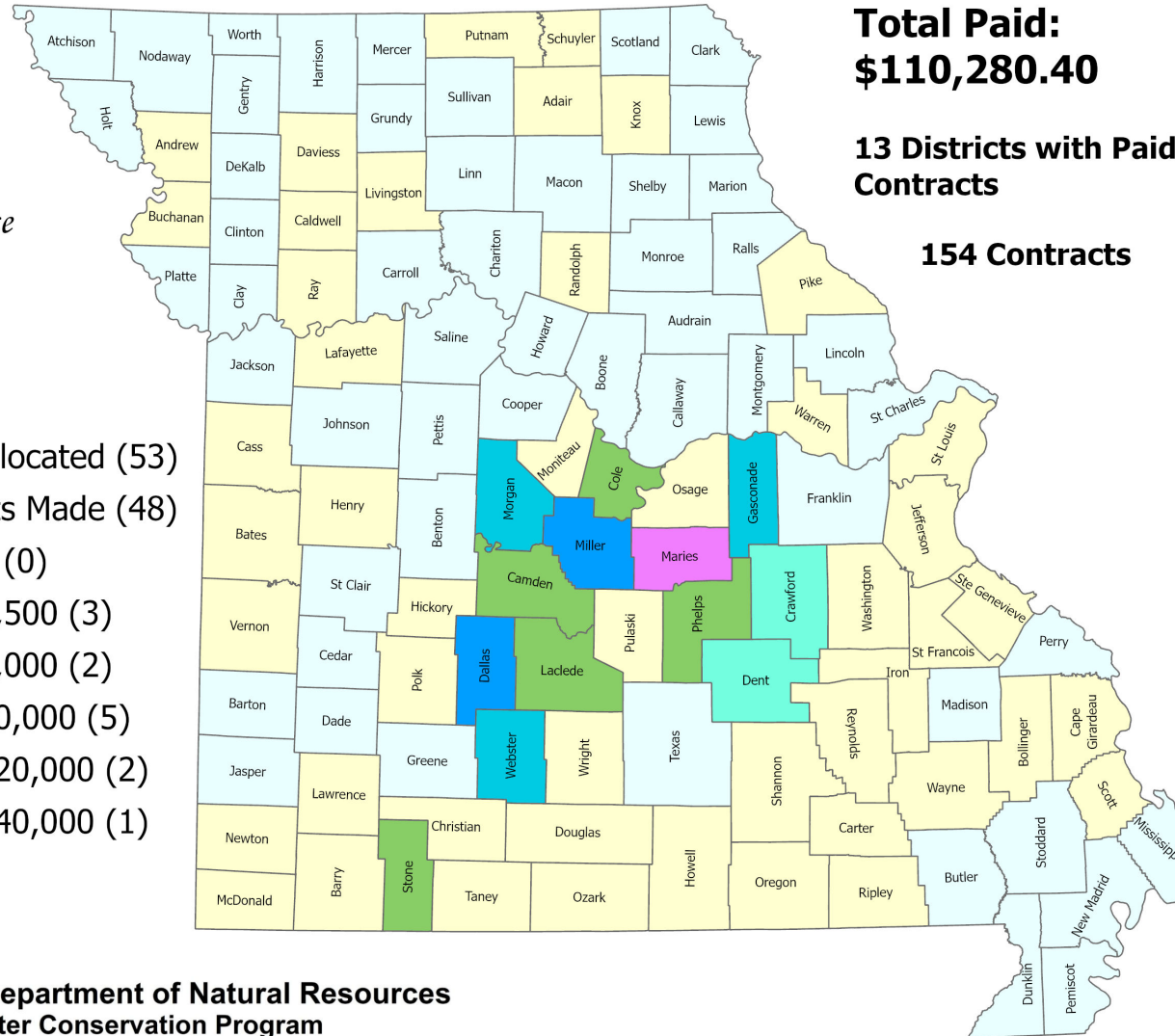
**Total Paid:
\$110,280.40**

**13 Districts with Paid
Contracts**

154 Contracts

NPM

- No Funds Allocated (53)
- No Payments Made (48)
- \$0 - \$1,000 (0)
- \$1,001 - \$2,500 (3)
- \$2,501 - \$5,000 (2)
- \$5,001 - \$10,000 (5)
- \$10,001 - \$20,000 (2)
- \$20,001 - \$40,000 (1)

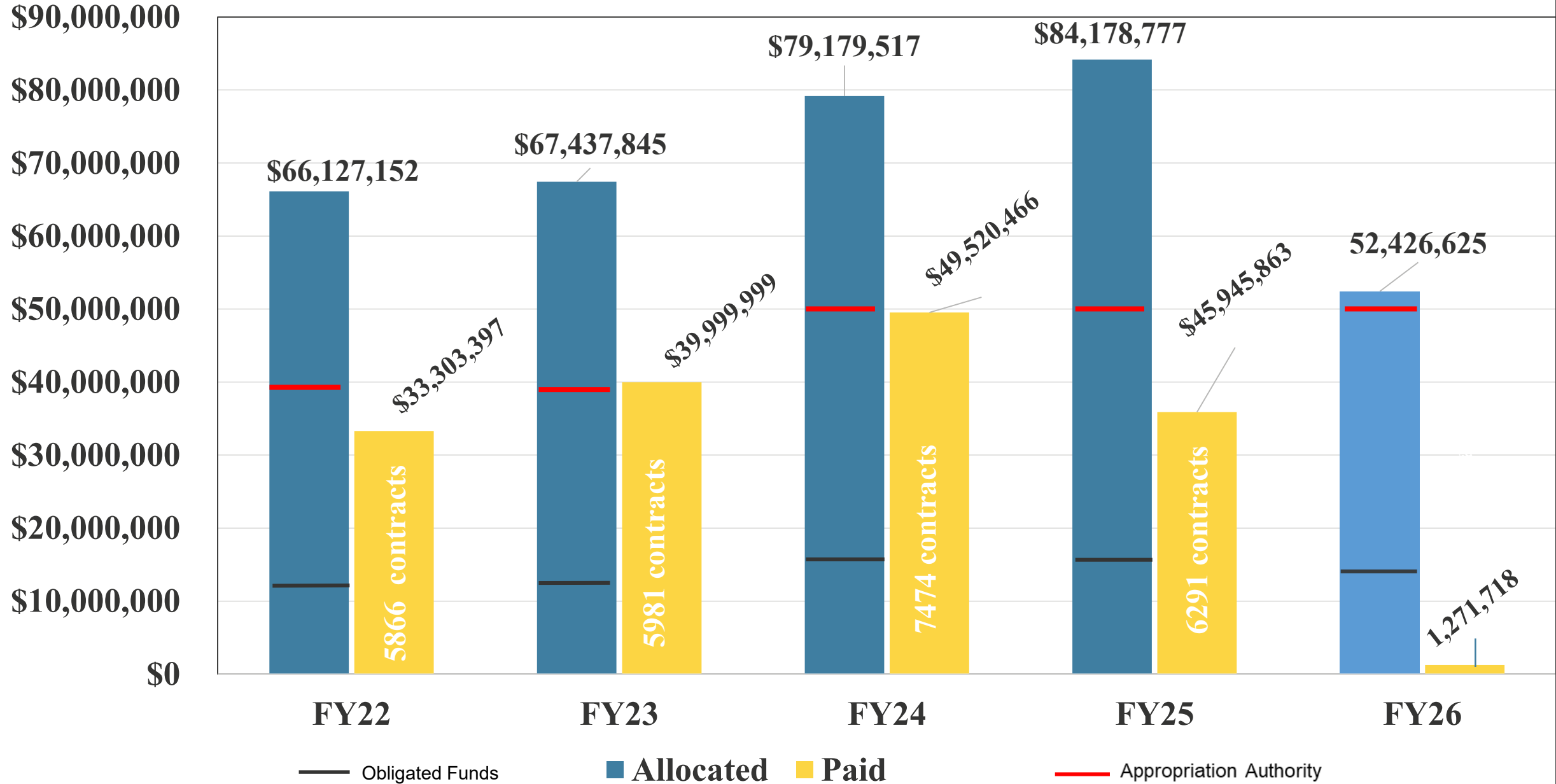


FY26 Cost-Share Fund Status as of August 1, 2025

Resource Concern	Allocated	Obligated	Percent Obligated	Number of Contracts	Contract Payments
Animal Waste Management	\$1,968,364	\$1,071,173	54%	25	\$95,079
Grazing Management	\$5,890,133	\$1,805,501	31%	326	\$29,331
Irrigation Management	\$2,203,327	\$890,014	40%	54	\$281,746
Nutrient & Pest Mgmt	\$579,739	\$104,015	18%	141	\$0
Sensitive Areas	\$2,463,672	\$1,095,766	44%	126	\$43,619
Sheet and Rill/Gully	\$38,143,860	\$8,056,155	21%	1382	\$815,746
Woodland Erosion	\$1,033,001	\$253,154	25%	94	\$6,197
Lower Grand	\$144,529	\$144,529	100%	8	\$0
TOTAL	\$52,426,625	\$13,420,307	26%	2156	\$1,271,718

Statewide Cost-Share Allocations vs Payments

FY22 – FY26



Future Support of Cost-Share

- 5 Engineer positions through contribution agreement with NRCS
 - Administered through Callaway SWCD but will be located around the state
 - Job announcement is out
 - Setting up interviews
- FY27 Budget request to establish engineering unit in SWCP
- Cultural Resource review staffing
- District staffing level
- NRCS staffing levels and being able to support state projects



"Suppliers (vendors) who market products and services to the State of Missouri need to be aware the State of Missouri launched a new system, MissouriBUYS, powered by MOVERS to host the new Bid Board, bid opportunity notifications, and supplier registration."

- Please reach out to the soil and water email (soil&waterconservationprogram@swcd.mo.gov) if your district needs any vendor assistance for payments and status's.
 - Registered name
 - Registration number and/or Supplier number

SHAC Update

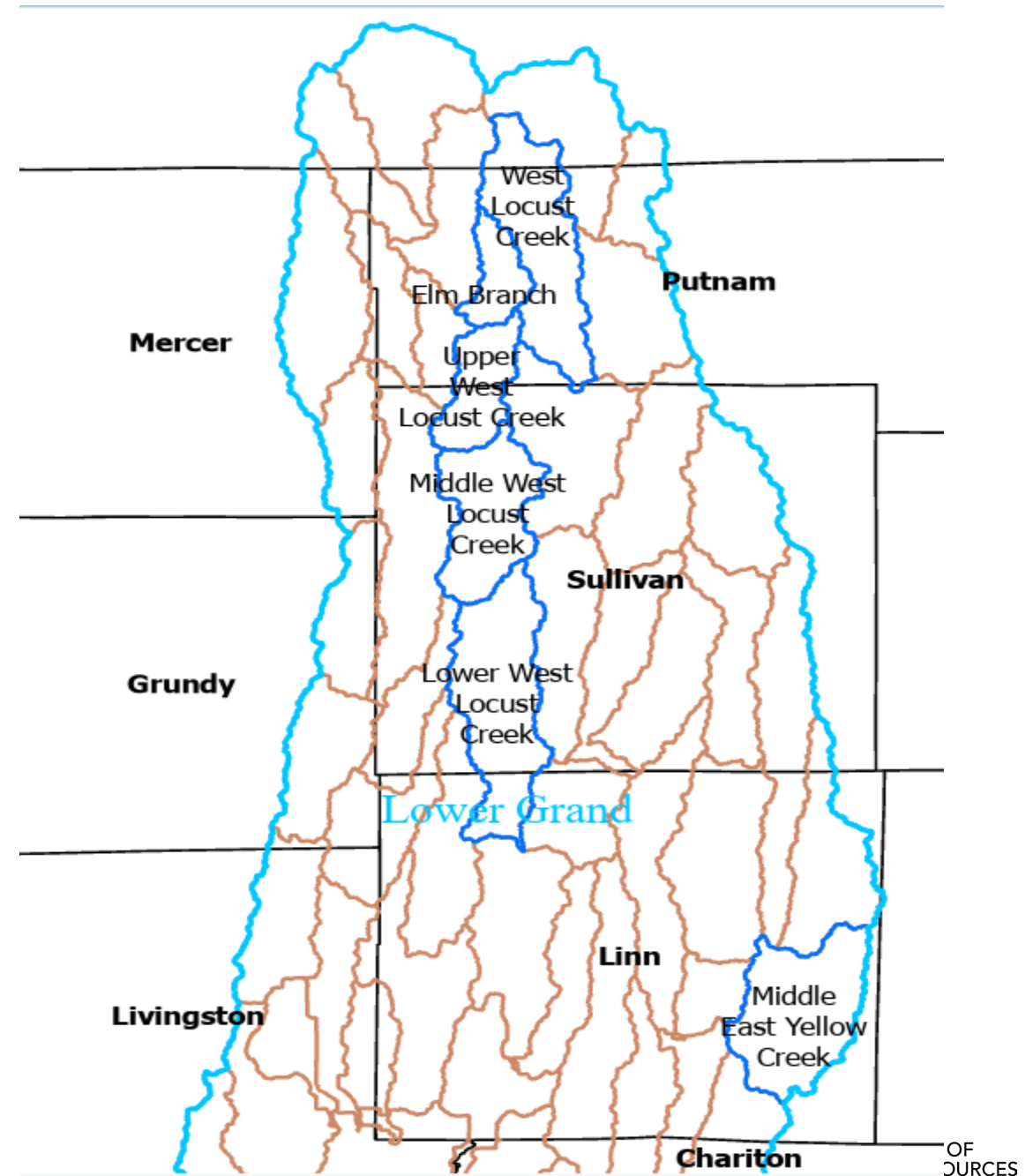
- For FY26 contracts SHAC has updated their process to simplify the Soil Health results report sent to landowners.
- FY26 Soil Health and follow up Soil Health test will also receive a fertility test at no additional charge.
- FY26 Soil Health test charge remained the same as prior Fiscal Year's cost.
- Soil rings are no longer required for the test
- Samples are requested to be at 6" depth instead of 3"
- Guide sheets have been made available to districts and landowners on SHAC website and Districts intranet page.

Modeling Background

- The purpose of modeling is to provide CALCULATED estimates of reduction of Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Sediment, and BOD.
 - BOD = Biological Oxygen Demand – the amount of oxygen consumed by microorganisms in the water. Higher numbers indicate increased pollution and lower water quality.
- Our conservation practices, that we provide C-S assistance to install, are entered into the model as an BMP (Best Management Practices) to calculate the potential water quality benefits of these practices.
- While some practices already capture erosion reduction information in MoSWIMS, not all practices require that information.

HUC12s that have been modeled for C-S FY21-24 since Jan 2025

- All of these HUC's are located within Lower Grand watershed.
- We are concentrating in the Lower Grand due to severe erosion and water quality concerns in the watershed.
- We have partnered with USGS and NRCS on many projects and allocated significant extra funding.
- 102801030703 – West Locust Creek
- 102801030801 – Upper W. Locust Creek
- 102801030802 – Middle W. Locust Creek
- 102801030803 – Lower W. Locust Creek
- 102801030203 – Elm Branch
- 102801031103 – Middle E. Yellow Creek



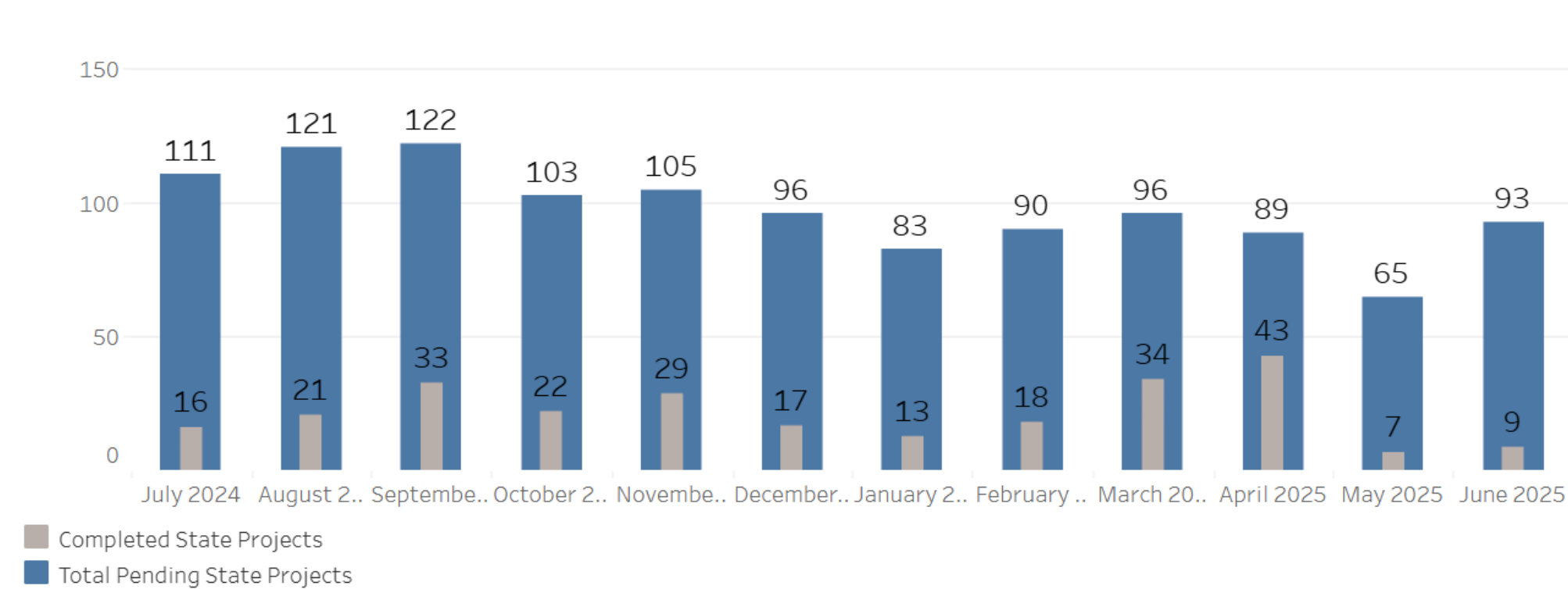
Compilation of Previous Modeling performed

Type of practice	N Reduction (lbs/year) AVERAGE PER ACRE	P Reduction (lbs/year) AVERAGE PER ACRE	Sediment Reduction (tons/year) AVERAGE PER ACRE	2014-2024 C-S # Contracts	2014-2024 Acres served	N Reduction (lbs/year) STATEWIDE (based on per acre FY2014-2024)	P Reduction (lbs/year) STATEWIDE (based on per acre FY2014-2024)	Sediment Reduction (tons/year) STATEWIDE (based on per acre FY2014- 2024)
Cover Crop Total	5.22	1.38	0.50	21,922	1,400,040	7,310,620.8	1,928,393.3	693,393.1
DSL-01 Total	1.06	0.07	0.00	4,379	113,851	120,226.8	7,481.6	-
DSL-11 Total	1.93	0.33	0.11	296	550	1,060.6	180.7	62.8
DSP-02/DSL-02 Total	1.43	0.09	0.00	1,757	49,610	71,168.2	4,420.4	-
Fld Border Total	6.10	1.35	0.47	160	6,872	41,922.3	9,272.1	3,257.3
N410 Total	3.08	0.73	0.24	4,057	223,067	687,788.4	163,244.1	54,414.7
N472 Total	8.01	1.47	0.53	2,324	62,917	504,210.8	92,408.8	33,564.9
Pond Total	3.62	0.57	0.21	2,784	53,084	192,243.3	30,123.2	11,251.0
Terrace Total	3.50	1.04	0.39	9,760	166,111	580,559.1	172,313.4	64,585.7
WASCoB Total	6.20	0.94	0.30	2,878	33,922	210,217.1	31,814.2	10,030.8
Waterway Total	2.98	0.87	0.32	3,635	120,322	358,419.8	104,338.9	38,471.5
WQ10 (Use Excl + Stream Protect) Total	5.85	0.69	0.30	964	8,135	47,577.3	5,600.0	2,408.2
Grand Total	234.08	61.76	0.47	54,916	2,238,481	10,126,014.4	2,549,590.8	911,440.1

Modeling Goals

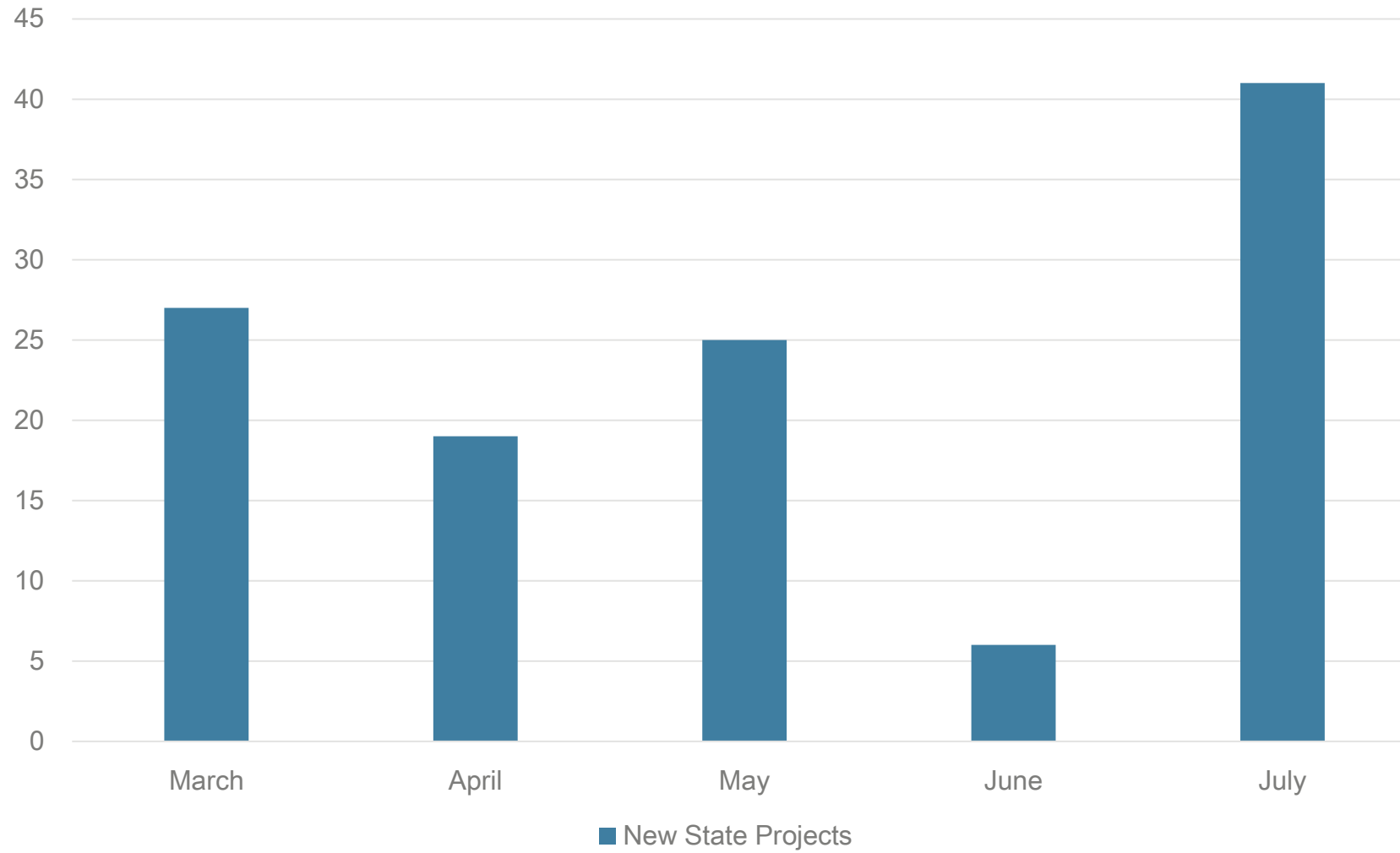
- After modeling several watersheds with higher cost-share volumes and all types of cost-share practices, we would like to apply estimated nutrient and sediment reduction to all practices.
- Therefore, we could show soil savings AND water quality improvement to better explain how our practices are impacting not only Missouri and Missourians, but downstream as well.
- Report calculated nutrient and sediment savings from installed state-cost share BMP's to the Mississippi River/Gulf of America Watershed Nutrient Task Force.

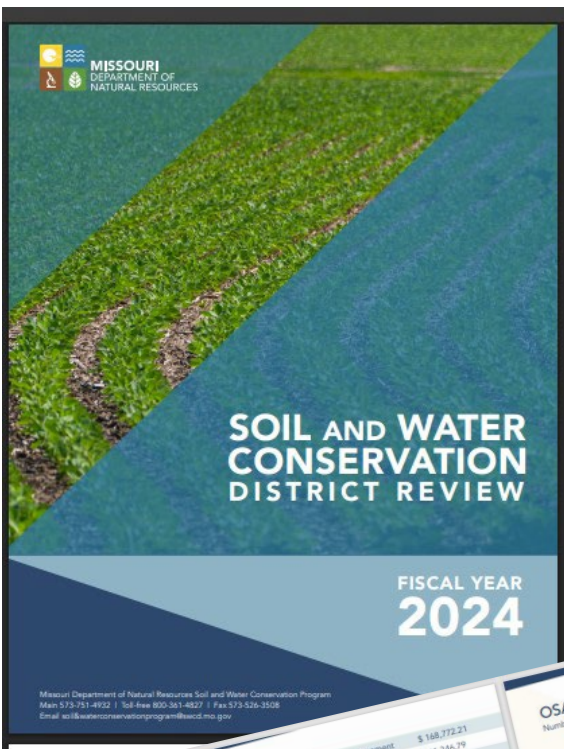
Cultural Resources Reviews



Beginning of August – 312 Projects
111 – State Cost Share
201 – Federal Cost Share

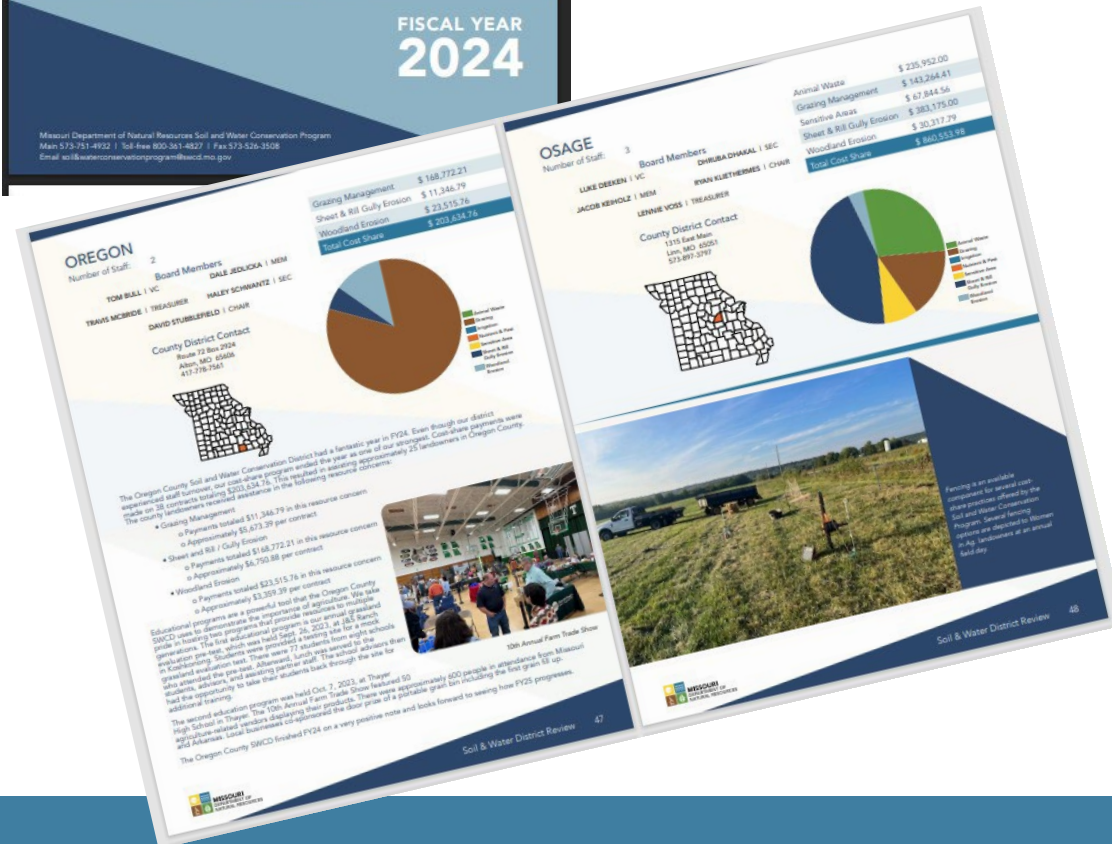
New State Projects





FY25 Annual Report Request

- Goal: Provide legislatures, soil and water districts and landowners a central spot to emphasis the work that soil and water districts have accomplished.
- Provide something your district is proud of, something that your district does well, or you feel would help other districts.
- Send a specific cost-share practice project that turned out well.
- General information about your staff/board/district, e.g. how long staff has been with the district.
- A particular event the district sponsored.
- Please reach out to Kelsey Kempker if you need assistance with your district's highlight



Communications Survey

- Provide feedback on information and education efforts throughout the state
- Collaborate ideas on how districts are interacting with their communities
- Assist the Program Office in developing a communications training workshop for training conference

District SWCD Information and Education Efforts Survey

The program office would like to take a comprehensive look at district information and education outreach efforts to best identify improvement areas and support districts where needed.

Hi, Kelsey. When you submit this form, the owner will see your name and email address.

* Required

1. Please list the information/education events that your district routinely holds. *

Enter your answer

2. Does your district participate in the poster contest? If yes, how many

Sales Tax Renewal

- Brochure of The Parks, Soils and Water Sales Tax
 - Thanks to MASWCD and MO Parks Association for covering printing costs
- Video about the tax
- Department leadership has meet with key partners that led the citizens committee during the last renewal efforts.
 - MO Farm Bureau
 - Parks Association
 - Conservation Federation of Missouri

FY 26 Elections

In accordance with the district election policy, district supervisor elections will take place for areas II and IV this year. As a reminder, all districts are on the same election schedule, which can be found in the District Operations Handbook. The election procedure timeline is listed in below:

Publicize Nomination Period (30 days)	Nov. 3- Dec. 2
Nomination Period (30 days)	Nov. 3-Dec 2.
Nominees Determined	December
Publicize Election (30 days)	Jan. 20- Feb. 20
Voting Period (20 days)	Feb. 1-20
Last Day to Receive Ballots	Feb. 23
Ballots Counted by Judges	Feb. 23-28
Election Certification	March

Senate Bill 82 Water Preservation Act

- The purpose of the Water Preservation Act is to provide a mechanism to safeguard Missouri's water resources for the use and enjoyment of Missouri citizens and visitors, including municipal, domestic, agricultural, industrial, commercial, and recreational water users.
- Historically, Missouri statutes did not have protections in place to evaluate or prohibit any export of water out of state.



How does the Water Preservation Act protect Missouri's water resources?

Missouri Revised Statutes Chapter 640 Section 406 protects Missouri's water resources by:

- Restricting water export methods,
- Requiring a permit for water exportation,
- Allowing Major Water Users to request reevaluation of permits,
- Reevaluation of permits during state of emergency drought conditions, and
- Requiring annual reporting from water exporters.



Missouri Revised Statutes Chapter 640 Section 406

- The statute was signed into law July 2025, and the statute became effective on August 28, 2025.
- RSMo Section 640.406 applies to any entity who exports water out of the state of Missouri.
- The Missouri Department of Natural Resources administers the law in conjunction with the Missouri Soil and Water Districts Commission.



What is the role of the Soil & Water Districts Commission?

- The Missouri Soil and Water Districts Commission (SWDC) will receive and consider the Department's recommendation on a permit application.
- The SWDC will hold a public hearing.
- The SWDC is responsible to approve or deny the permit.
- The Commission will receive quarterly reports from the Department on the state of the state of water to help the SDWC make decisions on permit recommendations.



Questions?

More Information:

<https://dnr.mo.gov/land-geology/soil-water-conservation>

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