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Good afternoon conservation team,

There was over \$45.9 million paid to landowners in cost share assistance for FY25. Accomplishing this was made possible because of the dedicated district staff, board members, NRCS staff and Program Office staff. I want to thank everyone for their hard work to assist the agriculture landowners manage the natural resources in Missouri and investing in our agriculture future. Without the dedicated team at the local level, we would not be the envy of other states.

A few highlights from this work included making payments on almost 6300 contracts. Saving over 1 million tons of soil that could fill 240 Olympic size swimming pools. Hundreds of miles of fence installed to facilitate grazing and hundreds of miles of terraces to stop soil erosion. There were enough seedings through DSL-01, DSL-02 and Cover Crops to cover 180,000 acres or 282 square miles. Over 30 miles of stream protected through livestock exclusion or streambank stabilization. It is hard to capture all the hard work and environmental improvements this program makes across the state year after year.

Again, thank you to everyone's hard work and dedication to make FY25 a successful year. Hopefully FY26 will be just as successful.

I wish everyone a Happy 4th of July. Hopefully you will have some time for relaxation over the long week and be able to celebrate with family and friends the freedom we have in this great nation.

Please share with board members.

Thank you!!

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