Good morning,

The cost share appropriation authority for FY24 is \$50 million. Districts and partners are doing an amazing job obligating the funding to landowners for conservation practice-implementation. As of today (December 20<sup>th</sup>) the current obligation is just over \$51 million. Through consultation with the commission and department leadership, and assessing the history of completed contracts over the last several years, the decision has been made to allow contract obligation to reach \$59.5 million. At that obligation level, we anticipate this will be sufficient to utilize the full appropriation.

The program will closely monitor the obligation in MOSWIMS. Please be sure to keep board approval dates on contracts, change orders and contract payments current in MOSWIMS to ensure the most up-to-date information is available. Once the obligation level of \$59.5 million is reached, MOSWIMS will be set to not allow any further board approved contracts in FY24. Districts will be able to manage any board approved contracts with change orders following commission policies.

During their November meeting, the commission approved the FY25 cost share initial allocation, which includes the advanced allocation process. In January, the FY25 advanced allocation will be available for districts to request. This will give districts the ability to board approve some contracts.

If you have any questions, please contact your district coordinator.

Thank you.

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