

Director



MEMORANDUM 2025-009

DATE:

December 17, 2024

TO:

All Soil and Water Conservation Districts

FROM:

Jim Plassmeyer, Director

Soil and Water Conservation Program

SUBJECT:

Cost-Share Eligibility in Adjacent Districts

At the recent Soil and Water Conservation District's Commission meeting held on December 2, 2024 a request was received to appeal the Commission policy regarding the option of providing cost-share to property owned in an adjacent county.

The Commission policy allows for State Cost-Share to be provided on land in an adjacent county only when the landowner owns property in both adjacent districts. If the landowner does not own property in both districts the property is only is eligible for cost-share in the district the property is located in. It is important to note the county that carries the FSA records is not part of the eligibility in Commission policy. This memorandum is intended to clarify the policy so it is being applied equally across each district.

The Commission decision on December 2, 2024 was to maintain current policy and further discuss this policy at a future Practices Committee meeting. The referenced policy can be found in the Cost-Share Manual in section III page 5, under D.1.

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