SEEKING NOMINEES

 **RIPLEY SWCD Board of Supervisors**

Let it be known that the RipleyCounty Soil and Water Conservation District will hold an election for one supervisor in each of two different territories in the county on February 1 – 20, 2024*.* Anyone that owns a farm in Territory 1 *(which includes Pine, Kelley and Shirley Townships), or* Territory 3 *(which includes Flatwoods, Washington, Varner, Thomas and Harris Townships),* and meets the qualifications listed below, may be considered as a candidate in the election. You may submit your name for participation in the election by completing the self-nomination form and delivering it to the district by 4:00 p.m., November 30, 2023. The self-nomination form is available online at the soil district website: mosoilandwater.land/ripley - or in person at the district office located at 63 Confederate Ridge Road, Doniphan, MO 63935.

Supervisors of the district administer district policies and programs, district personnel, and cost-share funding made available by the one-tenth-of-one-percent parks, soils and water sales tax. During fiscal year 2023, the district provided $57,000 of cost-share funds to 12 landowners to assist the landowners with installing agricultural erosion control and water quality practices.

The qualifications required to be a supervisor are:

1. Being a land representative from the district (10 CSR 70-4.010 (1) (I)). A land representative is defined as the owner or representative authorized by power of attorney of any farm lying within an area proposed to be established, and subsequently established, as a soil and water conservation district under Chapter 278, RSMo. Each farm is entitled to representation by a land representative: provided, however that the land representative is a taxpayer of the county within which the soil and water district is located.
2. Residing in, or owning a farm in, the area from which he/she is nominated where there is an expiring term.
3. Being a cooperator of the district, defined as, "a person who is actively engaged in farming and practices conservation activities related to agriculture".
4. Being a current resident and tax-paying citizen of the county for at least two years preceding the election date.
5. Be eighteen (18) years of age or older by the election date.

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