

Mission

The mission of the Marion Soil and Water Conservation District is to protect, conserve and improve the quality of soil and water in Marion County through planning, technical assistance and education.

In carrying out our mission, the Marion SWCD works, coordinates and cooperates with:

- property owners and operators
- public and private conservation organizations
- agricultural groups
- public agencies
- citizens of Marion County

Vision

The vision of the Marion SWCD is to:

- be a leader in soil and water conservation efforts
- be a prominent resource in urban and rural areas
- be a resource for natural resource and conservation related information
- have a record of measurable and demonstrable results

Values

The Marion SWCD:

- values the stewardship of soil and water including any applicable science and research and the sustainable use of all natural resources
- values educating youth about conservation
- values the economic importance of agriculture and natural resources to our community
- values conservation on all types of production on agricultural and forestry lands
- values private property rights and respects the trust, confidence, confidentiality, decisions and knowledge of all property owners/operators
- values a voluntary, common-sense approach to problem solving rather than a bureaucratic or regulatory approach
- values all local, state and federal partnerships with similar interests
- values being accountable with their financial resources by having an active and informed board
- values a well-managed district office who effectively communicates and delivers quality customer service
- values effective employment practices and recognizes the capabilities and contributions of the Marion SWCD staff