

2009 found the District in a position of reduced funding. In September staffing hours were cut for everyone. In order to meet the needs of the public, everyone had 8 hours cut from their work schedule. Budgeting for 2010 will continue to be very tight, but we will be making every effort to meet the needs of you, the citizen.

2009 Financial Statement							
	Special Fund	Watershed Balanced Growth Grant	Capital Improvement Fund	District Fund & Star Ohio	University Tech Park	CREP	Totals
Beginning Balance Jan. 1	47,197.62	28,768.29	50,752.18	239,363.10	14,328.37	13,990.92	394,400.48
Income							
Local Government	116,850.00			28,000.00			144,850.00
State Government	84,726.00						85,995.00
Federal Government				1269.00			
Interest				1,014.63	55.56	54.04	1,124.23
Education				1,241.00			1,241.00
Sale-Products				26,018.67			26,018.67
Rentals				370.00			370.00
Other	19,615.70		91.00	4,131.52		300.00	24,138.22
Transfers In	30,616.05			222.57			30,838.62
Total Income	251,807.75		91.00	62,267.39	55.56	354.04	314,575.74
Expenses							
Salary & Benefits	251,216.82	12,946.54		1,000.00			265,163.36
Supplies	4,860.28			3,320.56			8,180.84
Equipment			9,784.00				9,784.00
Contract Repairs	51.30		858.00	656.47			1,565.77
Contract Services/Cost share payments	3,142.56	199.70		400.81			3,743.07
Rentals	26,607.25						26,607.25
Service Fees	3,247.00						3,247.00
Information & Education				876.73			876.73
Training/Travel	2,110.80	6.00		2,116.97			4,233.77
Advertise/Print	1,858.07			624.20			2,482.27
Product Resale				16,406.09			16,406.09
Other				9,686.01			9,686.01
Transfers Out		15,616.05		15,222.57			30,838.62
Total Expenses	293,094.08	28,768.29	10,642.00	50,310.41			382,814.78
Cash Balance Dec. 31	5,911.29	0.00	40,201.18	251,320.08	14,383.93	14,344.96	326,161.44

This is an un-audited financial statement.

District Partnerships / Memberships

Medina County citizens
 Medina County commissioners
 17 Medina County townships
 Cities of Brunswick, Medina, & Wadsworth
 Villages of Chippewa Lake, Gloria Glens,
 Hinckley, Homerville, Lodi, Seville, Spencer,
 and Westfield Center
 Ohio Federation of Soil and Water
 Conservation Districts
 National Associations of Conservation Districts
 Medina County Farm Bureau
 Leadership Medina County
 Medina County Township Association
 Western Reserve Resource &
 Conservation Development
 Black River RAP
 Rocky River Watershed Council
 Chippewa Creek Maintenance Task Force



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2009
Annual
Report

The Board of Supervisors for the Medina County Soil and Water Conservation District is pleased to provide the public of Medina County with the 2009 program year results. Our conservation accomplishments would not be achieved without funding from the County Commissioners, State Legislature, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA, Farm Service Agency, USDA, and landowners.

Political Support

We continue to work with all townships, cities and villages on soil and water conservation issues with drainage and erosion being the biggest concerns.

We meet monthly with the Commissioners providing them with information about our current activities. We continue to attend township meetings regarding drainage, water protection, Phase II concerns, and soils information.

Funding

Our operating funds were provided by the County Commissioners and matched (73%) by the State in 2009 and a grant from OH Lake Erie Commission.

Seedling sales: 355 customers purchased evergreens, hardwoods, shrub seedlings, & miscellaneous items.

The fish fingerling sale served 61 customers who purchased 28,788 fingerlings.

Our continued work with NRCS, is reimbursed for a small percentage of the work that we provide.

Conservation Application & Technical Assistance

- ◆ Agrichemical Handling Facility 1
- ◆ All weather Use Pads 2
- ◆ Animal Waste Storage Structure 2
- ◆ Conservation Plans 2815 acres
- ◆ Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans 1
- ◆ Forest Stand Improvement 60 acres
- ◆ Grassed waterways 10,604 feet
- ◆ Grazing system Pipeline 640 feet
- ◆ Watering facility 1
- ◆ Landowner visits for drainage, erosion, flooding, soils, streams 47
- ◆ Land with conservation applied to improve water quality 3314 acres
- ◆ Livestock complaints 4
- ◆ Milkhouse irrigation system 1
- ◆ Pest Management 28 acres
- ◆ Pond plans 22
- ◆ Pond sealing 2
- ◆ Water Control Structure 1



Tree packing at Geig's Orchard with the assistance of the landscape and design class, Medina County Career Center.



Earth Day display at Buffalo Creek Retreat April 18.

Education

Adult Education

Assisted All 17 Townships with Stormwater Water Quality volume design, Floodplain setback requirements.

Phase 2 communities: Brunswick City and Brunswick Hills Township, Wadsworth City, Medina City, Hinckley and Wadsworth townships. Worked with Brunswick, Medina, Hinckley and Wadsworth schools, conducted rain barrel and rain garden workshops, worked with Brunswick and Medina Kiwanis and Leadership Medina County. Held a coloring contest on Earth Day.

Conducted—Naturalizing Your Pond clinic, Equine Pasture field day, Officials Ag tour, Elected Officials luncheon, and Dam Safety meeting.

Participation—Home & Flower Show, Medina County Fair, Leadership Medina County, Fall Foliage Tour, Earth Day.

Displays—24 throughout county.

Youth education

Classroom presentations—Black River, Buckeye, Cloverleaf, Medina City, Brunswick, and Wadsworth schools.

Teacher Workshops—IDEA Institute—Reading the Landscape.

Contests—Recycle Projects and Hay Show at Fair; Big Tree—Black Cherry Tree; Earth Day Coloring Contest, Area 2 Envirothon Contest—14 teams from Black River, Brunswick, Buckeye, Cloverleaf, Highland, and Medina County Career Center.

Communication—Newsletters—TEACH 2 times for schools; Conservation Notes—3 times; newspaper articles—4.

Judged soil and water projects for Wadsworth High School science fair.



Soil judging team at the Area 2 Envirothon competition held in Portage County in April.

Phase 2—Balanced Growth

Phase II- The District continued to assist local communities primarily in meeting the public involvement and public education components of their stormwater management plans. Entities involved include Brunswick Hills, Hinckley, and Wadsworth Townships, the cities of Brunswick, Medina and Wadsworth, as well as Medina County. Programs and assistance provided: commission meetings, storm drain stenciling, stream signage, stream clean-ups, supplying stream monitoring materials, stormwater information web page linked to the District's web site, stormwater related displays and materials at public events, publishing stormwater related articles in the Gazette, water quality programs for schools, and stormwater videos for local cable TV programs.

Balanced Growth Initiative- The Rocky River Upper West Branch Watershed Balanced Growth Plan, funded by a grant from The Ohio Lake Erie Commission (OLEC), received state endorsement in June of 2009. The Upper West Branch is one of only four state endorsed Balanced Growth Plans in the State of Ohio. As a result, supporting communities within the watershed (the Cities of Brunswick and Medina, and Hinckley, Lafayette, Medina, Montville and Sharon Townships) become eligible for special state incentives.

In December, the Medina County SWCD was awarded a grant by the Ohio Water Resources Commission to assemble a Watershed Planning Partnership and develop a Balanced Growth Plan for the Upper Chippewa Creek Watershed. This initiative will include the City of Medina, the Villages of Chippewa Lake, Gloria Glens, Seville, and Westfield Center, and Guilford, Lafayette, Montville, and Westfield Townships.



Hay judging at the Fair by Don Myers, retired OSU agronomist.