

What is the Soil and Water Conservation District?

The Douglas Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) is a local unit of government that manages and directs natural resource management programs. Our SWCD works in both urban and rural settings, with landowners and with other units of government, to carry out a program for the conservation, use, and development of soil, water, and related resources.

What is cost-share?

The Douglas SWCD applies for Federal and State grant dollars every year to address erosion and water quality issues throughout the county. This money is used to provide cost-share to landowners with erosion problems that otherwise would not be addressed due to the high cost of the projects.

Douglas SWCD currently has funding to provide 60-75% cost-share to landowners in the areas indicated on the map to the right. Qualified landowners utilizing this funding only have to pay 25-40% out of pocket for their project.

What projects qualify for funding?

- Active erosion sites
- Storm water running into surface waters
- On property you own
- Your property is within the grant area (see map to right)

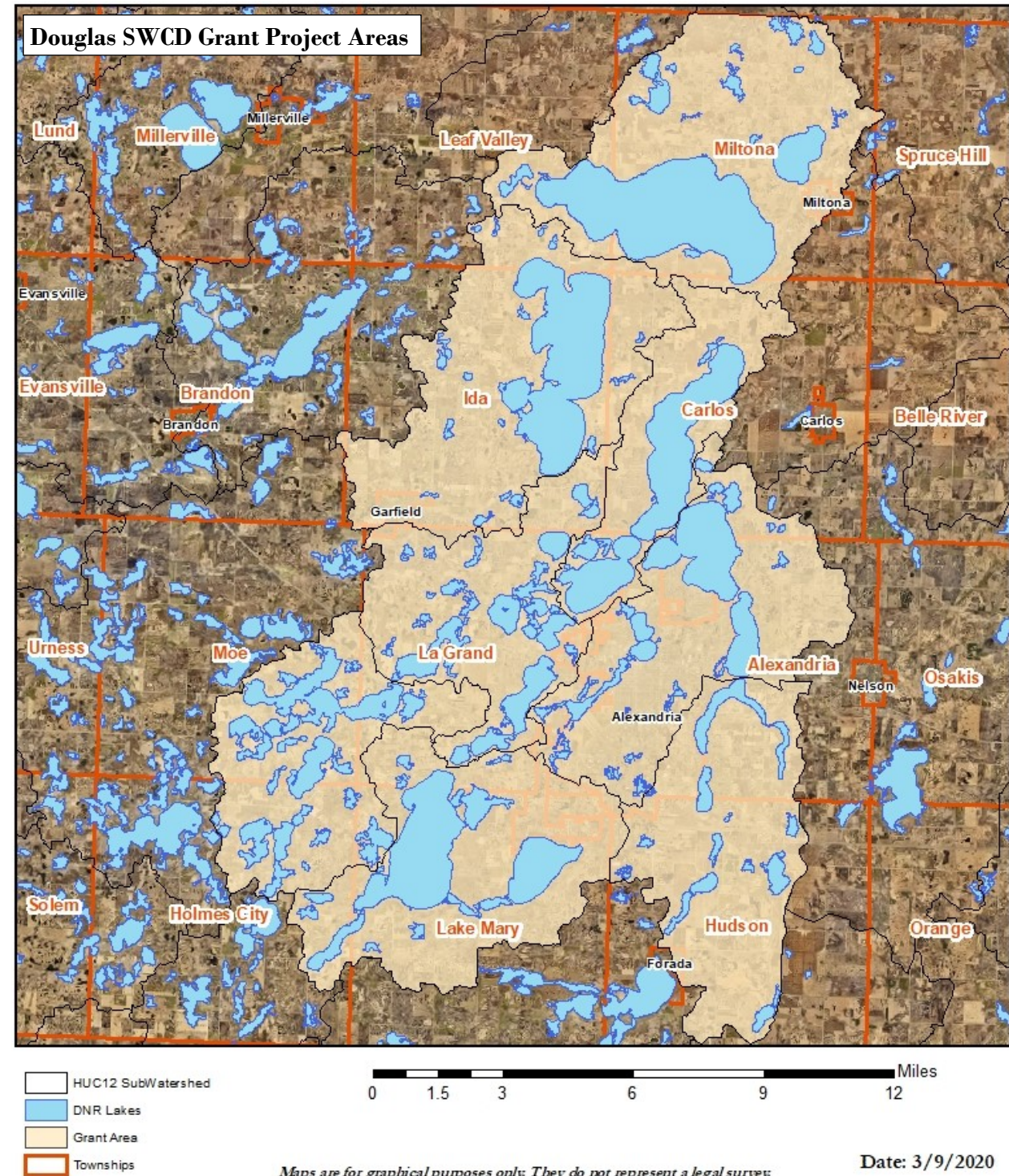
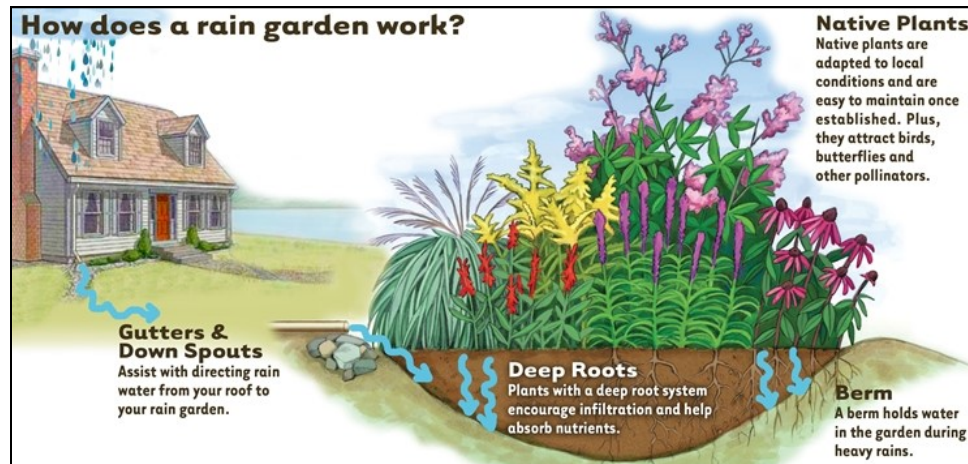
How to apply for cost-share...

Contact the Douglas SWCD office!

We will evaluate your property to determine if you qualify for cost share. If you qualify we will work with you to design a project for your property to correct and prevent any erosion issues you have. On all projects we do require a native buffer to be planted and maintained.

If your property does not qualify for cost-share we can still provide technical advise.

We are looking to install several rain gardens and to complete multiple shoreline restoration projects in the next 3 years.



Date: 3/9/2020

The Goal

- No Erosion
- Undercutting of bank corrected
- Shoreline protected
- Native, well established vegetation
- Healthy lakes and rivers
- Increased pollinators and wildlife



Helpful Resources

Douglas County Land & Resources Mgmt.
Land Use & Shoreland Alteration Permits
320-762-3863
www.co.douglas.mn.us/dc/land-resource.aspx

DNR Fisheries & Wildlife Glenwood Office
Aquatic Plant Management & Hydrology
32.20-634-7320

Douglas County Sheriff's Water Patrol
Water Issues & Water Structure Permits
320-762-8151

AlexAreaLakes.org
AIS, Water Quality, & Shoreland Topics

Cost-Share Opportunities for Shoreland Owners in Douglas County

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Douglas SWCD

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Current condition

- Erosion
- Undercutting of bank
- Shoreline washing into lake or stream
- Poor vegetation
- Degradation of our water quality

