

2018 KANKAKEE COUNTY CONSERVATION SURVEY



This survey is intended to gather information about current farming and conservation practices in Kankakee County. Results will assist the Kankakee County SWCD in identifying two important factors; 1) areas or watersheds where producers are interested in advanced conservation practices, 2) what practices those producers are interested in.

Will my information be kept confidential?

Absolutely! We will only use this information as a whole and not individually. We will identify areas of the county with interest in advanced practices and focus our educational efforts in those areas.

Why a survey now, in 2018?

The focus has shifted in the past decade to recognize that natural resources don't follow county dividing lines. Watershed boundaries are natural and easily documented dividing lines. No inventory of producer practices has been done in Kankakee using this method.

Who is actually conducting this survey?

Only the Kankakee SWCD! Even though we have gathered input from many partners, this is our survey with results to be used locally. The FSA and County Committee have facilitated with the collection process.

What results will we see from the survey?

Two specific goals exist. First, new educational programs focusing on in-field demonstrations. Secondly, funding opportunities from multiple sources.

Our survey takes less than 5 minutes to complete! We appreciate your time and contribution to help the District further conservation in Kankakee County!

CONTACT INFORMATION

Would you like to be contacted regarding programs, events and cost-share opportunities offered through the Kankakee County SWCD? ☐ YES ☐ NO

For survey results, please fill out the following information:

Your Name _____

Address _____

City _____, State _____ Zip Code _____

Email address _____

FARMLAND LOCATION

Which acre range does your farm fall into? Please circle one.

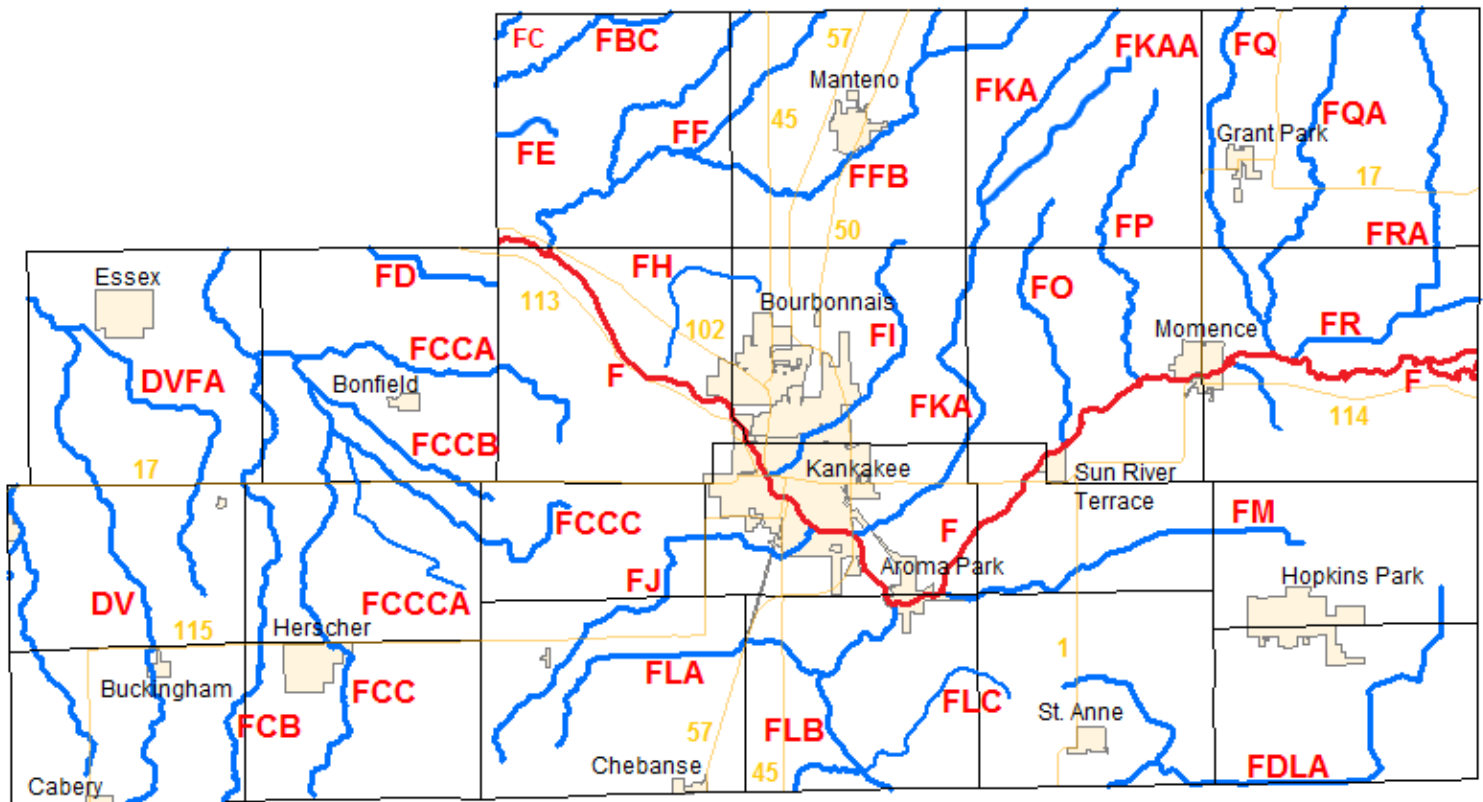
1-499 acres

500-999 acres

1000-2999 acres

3000+ acres

Circle the general area on the map that correspond to the location where most of your farmland is located:



STREAM CODE KEY

DV	Mazon River	FF	Rock Creek	FQ	Trim Creek
DVFA	Granary Creek	FFB	South Branch Rock Creek	FQA	Pike Creek
F	Kankakee River	FH	Davis Creek	FR	Singleton Ditch
FB	Forked Creek	FI	Soldier Creek	FRA	Bull Creek
FBC	South Branch Fork Creek	FKA	Exline Slough		
FC	Horse Creek	FKA	Caravan Creek		
FCB	West Branch Horse Creek	FLA	Minnie Creek		
FCC	East Branch Horse Creek	FLB	Trail Creek		
FCCA	North Bonfield Branch	FLC	Deer Creek		
FCCB	South Bonfield Branch	FLDA	Little Beaver Creek		
FCCC	LeHigh Raymond Run	FM	Spring Creek		
FCCCA	Bertrand Branch	FO	Farr Creek		
FD	Terry Creek	FP	Tower Creek		
FE	Rayns Creek	FJ	Gar Creek		

TILLAGE PRACTICES

For each applicable crop, please indicate the primary crop tillage practice you use by **placing a checkmark(s) in the appropriate box(es)** under each colored heading.

	Fall Tillage				Spring Tillage Passes	
	No-Tillage	Strip-Till	Light (less than 6" deep)	Heavy (6" and deeper)	One Pass	Multiple Passes
<i>EXAMPLE</i>			X		X	
Corn after Soybeans						
Corn after Corn						
Soybeans						
Wheat						
Forage or other crops						

NUTRIENT APPLICATION PRACTICES

Nitrogen: Below the product (NH₃, UAN, Urea) that is your primary source of nitrogen for your corn crop, **place a checkmark** when it is applied.

	NH ₃			UAN		Urea	
	Fall	Spring	Side Dress	Spring Broadcast	Side Dress	Spring Broadcast	Side Dress
Corn							

Phosphorus Fertilizers: For each applicable crop, please indicate 2018 application practices you plan to use by **placing checkmarks in the appropriate boxes** under the colored heading.

	Fall Applied		Winter Applied	Spring Pre-plant Only	Starter-planter Applied
	Broadcast	Band			
Corn					
Soybeans					
Wheat					

NUTRIENT APPLICATION RATE PRACTICES

Please **place a checkmark** underneath the practices you are currently using, as well as any practices you would consider using in the future.

Phosphorous Variable Rate Application		Nitrogen Variable Rate Application		Maximum Return to Nitrogen (MRTN) Calculator	
Currently Using	Consider for Future	Currently Using	Consider for Future	Currently Using	Consider for Future

COVER CROP PRACTICES

Please **place a checkmark** to indicate your use of cover crops.

Never used.	Have used in the past, but stopped.	Am currently using.	Would consider using in the future.

If you are currently using cover crops, **circle** whether you are using a single species or a multiple species mix.

Single Species

Multiple Species

CONSERVATION PROGRAMS & PRACTICES

Please **place a checkmark** to indicate which of these programs and practices you have participated in.

PROGRAM	N/A	Current	Possible Future	PROGRAM	N/A	Current	Possible Future
Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)							
Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)				Water Quality Initiative/State Targeted Practices			
Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)				Other _____			
Wetland Reserve Program (WRP)							

PRACTICE	N/A	Current	Possible Future	PRACTICE	N/A	Current	Possible Future
Grassed waterways				Saturated buffer			
Contour grass buffer strips				Bioreactor			
No-till				Cover crops			
Field borders of grass/trees				Strip Tillage or Ridge Tillage			
Constructed wetlands for tile drainage				Nutrient management (e.g., testing soil, manure, and/or plant tissue)			
Windbreaks and shelterbelts				Restored wetlands			

Other practices not mentioned above: _____