

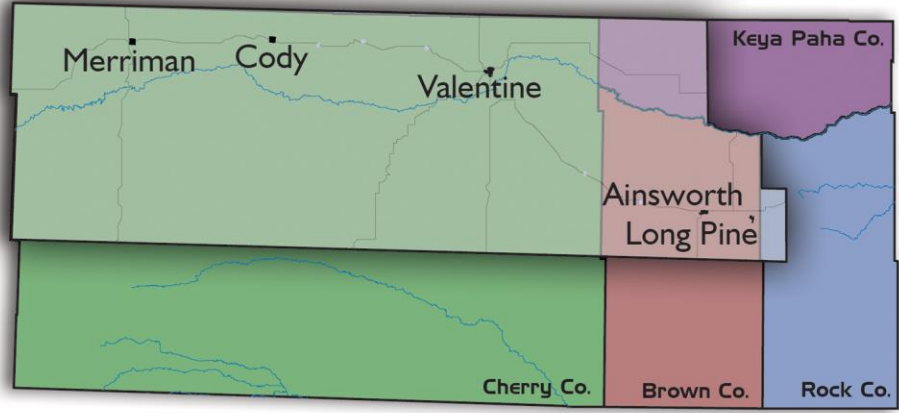
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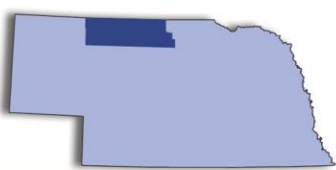
MIDDLE NIOBRARA
Natural Resources District
Valentine, NE

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Spring Newsletter 2023



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CURRENT GRANTS

- NET LPCW Phase 3: \$485,000
- NET LPCW Phase 4: \$810,000
- NET LPCW Phase 5: \$1,641,300
- NET SINREC: \$150,000
- NDEE 319 LPCW Phase 3: \$300,000
- USDA-NRCS WFPO – LPCW & 3 Cherry County: \$618,157.84
- Water Sustainability Funds: \$894,660
- NDEE GPR: \$132,300



Protecting Lives

Ranch Expo

On, June 21st and 22nd, 2023, the MNNRD along with DHHS, NE Forest Service, NDNR, LNNRD, & UENRD will host a tent. Stop by to play games, win prizes, and visit.

Kids Tree Planting Day

In 1872, J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska City, NE, proposed a tree planting holiday to be called “Arbor Day” with the day of observance being the last Friday in April.

MNNRD Staff along with students from the Valentine and Ainsworth Schools will be planting trees on Arbor Day, April 28th, 2023.



Protecting Property

Education Classes

Chemigation and Private Pesticide Training – April 17th, 2023, Valentine, NE, MNNRD Office



Deadlines

Fertilizer reports due April 17th, 2023, for all users in Management Zone 3.
Chemigation Permits Due, June 1st, 2023.

Nebraska Chemigation Permit			
To Be Completed By NRD			
PERMIT NUMBER			
Location	Operation	Type	RECEIVED
Mainline check valve: <input type="checkbox"/>			INSPECTED
Vacuum relief valve: <input type="checkbox"/>			REINSPECTED
Inspection port: <input type="checkbox"/>			REINSPECTED
Low pressure drain: <input type="checkbox"/>			APPROVED
Chem. sig. check valve: <input type="checkbox"/>			
Interlock: <input type="checkbox"/> Elec. or <input type="checkbox"/> Mech.			
Inspector Comments:			
APPROVED BY AND SIGNATURE			
DATE			
<input type="checkbox"/> S.P. Date Initially Approved			

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Water Quality

MNNRD staff will be collecting water samples over the summer to be tested for nitrates.

MNNRD provides in house and outsourced water testing for domestic, livestock, and irrigation water quality issues. Call or stop into the office for available services and sample bottles.



Static Water Levels & Chemigation

MNNRD Staff will be out recording static water levels this spring and doing chemigation checks throughout the summer.

Projects and Programs



Long Pine Creek Watershed (LPCW) & Cherry County WFPO's A, B, & E

Grants from NDEE & NET along with Federal funding through USDA-NRCS's Watershed Flood Preventions & Operations (WFPO) Program, are helping fund stream restoration projects in the LPCW. Implementation of two projects on Sand Draw Creek will begin soon along with design/permitting phase of LPCW WFPO projects.

The MNNRD and E&A Consulting Group Inc. are in the middle of planning efforts through USDA-NRCS's WFPO Program on 3 Watersheds in Cherry County. Planning efforts will determine structural and non-structural projects through the Plan-EA's. WFPO Feasibility on Schlagel/Evergreen Creek Watershed has been completed.

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Tree Program



The District has a listing of available tree species and can also make special orders. Some species have limited inventory. Cost share assistance, project design, weed barrier, drip irrigation, and planting services are available. Checkout our new website at www.mnnrd.org, call 402-376-3241, or stop into the office.

NE Soil and Water Conservation Program (NSWCP)

- The MNNRD will be taking applications for 2023-2024 starting in May 2023.
- Trees 50% up to \$4,000.00
- Planned Grazing 60% up to \$5,000.00
- Miscellaneous practices include grassed waterway, pasture seeding, Critical area planting 60% up to \$5,000.00



Equipment Available



- 4 ft No-Till Drill (ATV/UTV),
- 7.5 ft Haybuster No-Till Drill (Tractor)
- 10 ft Haybuster No-Till Drill (Tractor)
- 10 ft Great Plains No-Till Drill (Tractor) Ainsworth, NE, please contact Kevin Johnson at (402) 760-1803
- Gopher Machine & Bait
- Composting: Compost Turner and Manure Spreader
- Trailers: 14' – 36'
- Tables & Chairs
- 3pt Tree Planters
- Dripline Irrigation Parts
- Wood Chips: Per Ton

Services Available



- Custom Tree Planting
- Custom Fabric Removal
- Custom Composting
- Custom Woodchipping
- Custom Seed Drilling
- Custom Mowing
- Custom Rototilling
- Water Sampling
- Dripline Irrigation Installation
- Static Water Level Measurements
- Ultrasonic Flowmeter