

# **Soil & Water Conservation District**





## CONSERVATION AWARDS

2007 Wyoming County "Conservation Farm of the Year" Emerling Farms, LLC Perry

2007 NYS

"Agricultural Environmental
Management Awards"
R.L. Jeffres & Sons, Inc., Wyoming
&
Wyoming County SWCD

AEM Signs
Presented to the Following Farms:
Halo Farms, Perry
Silver Haven Farms, Silver Springs
Table Rock Farms, Inc., Castile
R.L. Jeffres & Sons, Inc., Wyoming
Emerling Farms, LLC, Perry

### Conservation Field Day Awards Essavs:

1st - Miranda West, Attica Central School 2nd - Abby Aman, Wyoming Central School 3rd - Kathryn Foley, Attica Central School

#### Posters:

1st - Lara Bannister, Attica Central School 2nd - Patrick Tozier, Attica Central School 3rd - Haley White, Wyoming Central School

#### Dioramas:

1st - Brittany Kaminski, Attica Central School 2nd - Devin Tidwell, Attica Central School 3rd - Alex Wheaton, Attica Central School

NYSCDEA Willard F. Croney Award Greg McKurth, District Manager Wyoming County SWCD



"Conservation Farm of the Year" Emerling Farms, LLC, Perry



R.L. Jeffres & Sons, Inc., Wyoming



District Chairman, At Large Member, Daryl Heiby District Manager, Greg McKurth District Director, County Supervisor - Joseph Gozelski



2007 Trailside Envirothon Winners Perry Central High School



Hon. Daniel Burling &
NYS Ag Commissioner,
Patrick Hooker
presents
Conservation Farm of the Year to
Emerling Farms, LLC, Perry



NYS Ag Commissioner, Patrick Hooker presents AEM Award to Halo Farms, Perry



Conservation Field Days 1st Place Diorama-Brittany Kaminski, Attica Central School

# Agricultural Best Management Practices



Concrete Manure Storage at Sally Tarey - Rickard's Farm in Pike.



Passive Sand Separator at New Dawn Farms in Genesee Falls.



Compost Bedded Pack at Eagleview Dairy Farm in Eagle.



Alternative Water Supply at Heineman Farms in Attica.



Earthen Manure Storage at New Dawn Farms in Genesee Falls.



Concrete Manure Storage at Boxler Farms in Orangeville.

# 2007 Accomplishments

Requests for Assistance	444
Government Units Assisted	54
Ag Value Assessments	76 Parcels
Trees sold by District	27,000
AEM Tier 1 Completed	19
AEM Tier 2 Completed	16
AEM Tier 3 Plans Completed	15
Ag Waste Storage Systems Installed	7
Ag Waste Transfer Systems Installed	4
Critical Area Seedings	40.25 acres
Cover Cropping	3,899 acres
Culvert Evaluations	5
Conservation Tillage Systems	9,767 acres
Grazing Management Assistance	11 farms
Stream Sites Reviewed	16
Streambank Protection/Stabilization	1928 ft.
SWCD General Stream Permits	2
Tile Drainage Installed	7,645 ft.
Diversion Ditches	2,250 ft.
Waterways	1,362 ft.
Silage Leachate Collection Systems	4
Milk Center Waste Storage Systems	1
Pond Sites Reviewed	8

**Ponds Constructed** 

# Special Project Funding

Agricultural Districts Review	\$25,000.00
Agricultural Environmental Management (AEM)	\$39,667.46
Agricultural Nonpoint Source Grants	\$1,101,910.00
Contractual Services	\$22,767.00
Conservation Project Assistance	\$6,000.00
Conservation Education Funding	\$9,033.75
FL/LOWPA Program	\$70,000.00
FSA-CRP Contracts	\$56,247.00
Great Lakes Commission Grants	\$126,397.00
NRCS-EQIP & WRP Contracts	\$431,902.16
NYS Technical Reimbursement	\$30,000.00



Special Project Funds for Wyo. Co.

Streambank Restoration on Oatka Creek.



Hydroseeding at RL Jeffres & Sons, Inc. In Covington.



Culvert Stabilization on Exchange Street in Attica.

By allowing a stream to utilize its floodplain and it's tendency to meander as much as practical, we can effectively reduce many of the flooding and erosion problems associated with streams.

\$1,918,924.37





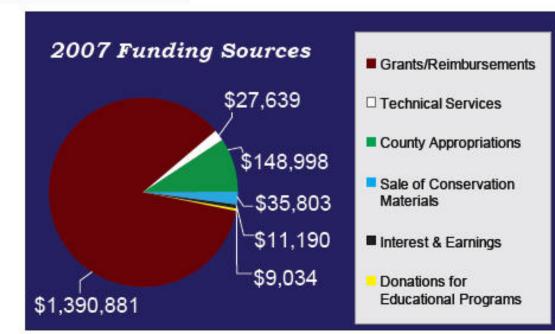
Installing Log Grade Control on Oatka Creek.



Oatka Creek Stream Channel Restoration Project.



Erosion & Sediment Control at former ETE Sanitation Landfill site in Gainesville.



# **NRCS Highlights**



Cleared area with shrubs being managed for in background.



WRP Permanent Easement site monitoring.



EQIP Milkhouse Wastewater Tank at Peri Valley Farm in Eagle.



Bottom section of manhole being placed and leveled.

WHIP Shrubland Project Removing large trees
to manage for early successional
species, such as Ruffed Grouse,
Wild Turkey, Vireos, American
Woodcock, Black -Billed Cuckoo,
Blue-Winged Warbler,
Whip-poor-will, Eastern Towhee,
Golden Winged Warbler,
Brown Thrasher, Canada Warbler
and Willow Flycatcher.



Black-Billed Cuckoo



Ruffed Grouse © Richard Stern



Wild Turkey

There are many
great conservation programs
available through the United
States Department of
Agriculture's Natural
Resource Conservation
Service (NRCS). Most of
the programs available
provide cost-share
reimbursement
for conservation practices
that are completed on the
farm. Some examples of
what can be cost shared
include grassed waterways



Cleared Area.



Brush piles from cleared areas, after removal of late successional trees to allow for more early to mid successional growth.



EQIP Grazing Plan- Animal trail and walkway coming from barns to pasture.

to fix ephemeral or gully erosion in a crop field, waste storage facilities to eliminate nutrient runoff from manure that may be piled outside the barns, fencing to help facilitate a rotational grazing system for livestock, and many more. NRCS also provides non-cost shared technical assistance if you just need some advice on how to solve a problem. Furthermore, for those lands that cannot be farmed or for those who have land that they want to see more wildlife use, we also have programs that will provide management for wildlife. Activities can include pruning apple trees to increase fruit production or strategically mowing grasslands to increase habitat for specific birds. If you are interested in finding out what NRCS can do for you, contact your local NRCS office in Wyoming County, we are located at 31 Duncan St. Warsaw, NY 14569, or call us at 585-786-5070.



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