



**RICE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AGENDA**

Wednesday, March 18, 2026 - 8:00 am

**Vision Statement: “To have clean water, pure air, and healthy soil, now
and for future generations”**

**Mission Statement: “To assist land users in the enhancement, management and conservation of our soil, water, and
natural resources, by means of educational, financial, and technical assistance necessary for productive agriculture,
safe drinking water, and healthy wildlife habitats.”**

- I. MINUTES – February**
- II. February Financial Statements and February Bills Payable - action**
- III. OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A. Project encumbrance report - information
- IV. CONSENT AGENDA: (payment approval)**
- V. NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. MNAgWaterQualityCertification Funds TA program – action
 - B. Data Practices Policy – action
 - C. FY26 Soil Health Delivery Erosion Control Policy – action
 - D. Soil Health Delivery P26-0844 for \$30,000 – action
 - E. Soil Health RCPP-Amend funding source for contract 66-04-24, cancel local funds previously encumbered, approve SH RCPP funds for \$11,109.00 - action
 - F. Authorize pre-approval of local funds for 66-04-15 for \$41,725.00 - action
 - G. Soil Health RCPP grants: Authorize District Manager to continue to sign current and future grants - action
 - H. Wage increase for seasonal employee Brian McFadden: 5% to 22.05 - action
 - I. Letter of support for Friends of Northfield Area Natural Areas (FoNANA) - action
 - J. Delores Dierking 2026-RC-01, well decommissioning - \$3,250.00 - action
 - K. Edward Jones CD renewal 3/12/2026, renew or cancel with \$100,000 at 3.75% - action
 - L. Create CD with \$200,000 - action
 - M. Cannon River Watershed Flood Study Match – discussion
 - N. Outreach report for 2025 – information
 - O. Prevailing Wage Update Memo – information
 - P. Interseeder income and expense – information
 - Q. Tree Sales and Native Plant Kit Sales update – information
 - R. Rain Gardens-Discuss
- VI. NRCS REPORT presented by Taylor O’Bryan**
- VII. FSA REPORT presented by Taylor Carlson**
- VIII. DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT**
- IX. SUPERVISOR’S REPORTS**
- X. STAFF REPORTS:**

XI. OTHER/CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Watershed Plan Updates; Cannon, Zumbro and Lower MN

XII. UPCOMING EVENTS: keep checking our website for upcoming events.

March 20 [Planting for Pollinators - Online Webinar](#) by the Scott SWCD, March 20, 7 - 8 PM

March 20 [Continuous Conservation Reserve Program \(CRP\) Deadline.](#)

March 24 [Landscaping for Clean Water Intro Class \(Online\)](#), 6:00–7:30 PM.

March 26 [Rain Gardens: Plan, Prep, Plant, Maintain" Virtual Workshop](#) by the Scott SWCD, 6:00-7:00 PM.

April 11 [Le Sueur County Horticulture Day](#) by the Le Sueur County Master Gardeners – April 11, 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM in Le Center.

April 17 [Conserve Reserve Program \(CRP\) Deadline.](#)

April 22 [Landscaping for Clean Water Intro Class \(Online\)](#), by Dakota SWCD, 6:00 - 7:30 PM.

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