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2005 Annual Report

2005 Accomplishments

- ✦ Secured 319 funding for three watershed projects on Kennebunk Pond (Lyman), Little Ossipee Pond (Waterboro), and Northern Great Works River (Sanford) to begin in 2006
- ✦ Secured funding through DEP for one watershed survey on Square Pond (Shapleigh/Acton)
- ✦ Successfully secured a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Pulling Together Initiative for invasive (terrestrial) plant control.
- ✦ Successfully completed Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund grant for aquatic invasive plant identification with the help of Laurie Callahan.
- ✦ Participated in District Day at State House
- ✦ Hosted a successful MACD Summer Meeting at University of New England, along with a memorable tour of some of the most diverse agricultural sites in York County.
- ✦ A community forum for the Great Works Watershed was a huge success with over 50 attendees. Lots of great discussion and information presented.
- ✦ Assisted Maine Ag in the Classroom in promoting Maine Ag Tags (agricultural license plates to raise money for educational programs)
- ✦ Completed Bauneg Beg Lake Demonstration Grant.
- ✦ Mousam Lake Youth Conservation Corp, in it's 5th year, installed erosion control measures at 21 sites
- ✦ Mousam Lake Quality Improvement project installed erosion control fixes at 13 sites and provided technical assistance to 25 homeowners in this watershed.
- ✦ York County SWCD now has it's own website at www.yorkswcd.org
- ✦ 15 Stormwater Management plans were reviewed by our District Engineer, Ken Wood



2005 Financial Report

Beginning 2005 Balance: \$ **63,270.55**

Income:

Grants:.....\$ 66,047.58
 State:\$ 16,500.00
 Review:.....\$ 9,007.50
 County:.....\$ 10,500.00 (includes '04 payments)
 District (Fees, Shrub Sale, Interest, etc.)\$ 11,360.01
 Contributions (Summer Meeting).....\$ 2,450.00
 Consulting Income\$ 1,385.00
 Sub Total:\$ 117,246.88
 Cost of Goods Sold (Shrub Sale) \$ (1,532.25)
Total Income **\$115,717.84**

Accounts	DISTRICT/STATE	REVIEW	GRANTS	Total for Account
Awards	\$440.56			\$440.56
Construction Expense			\$6,212.08	\$6,212.08
Contract Labor	\$1,390.50		\$21,749.00	\$23,139.50
Contribution/Donations	\$1,550.00			\$1,550.00
Dues/Subscriptions	\$1,680.00			\$1,680.00
Equipment Use/Rental	\$1,350.00		\$44.00	\$1,394.00
Facility Rental/Expense	\$6,099.50			\$6,099.50
Insurance	\$4,049.77	\$108.72	\$3,459.76	\$7,618.25
Licenses and Permits	\$55.00			\$55.00
Materials/Supplies	\$752.38		\$666.93	\$1,419.31
Office Equipment			\$59.98	\$59.98
Payroll Expenses	\$25,780.34	\$7,417.42	\$26,670.10	\$59,867.86
Postage	\$406.72	\$118.46	\$864.37	\$1,389.55
Printing and Reproduction	\$815.14		\$3,195.40	\$4,010.54
Professional Development	\$505.00		\$212.00	\$907.00
Repairs	\$80.00			\$80.00
Signs			\$375.00	\$375.00
Sales Tax - Maine				
Telephone			\$392.28	\$392.28
Travel & Ent	\$1,538.62	\$127.00	\$2,002.23	\$3,667.85
Website	\$186.85			\$186.85
Totals:	\$46,680.38	\$7,771.60	\$65,903.13	\$120,545.11

TOTAL EXPENSE..... **\$120,545.11**
NET INCOME..... **\$(4,827.27)**
ENDING BALANCE:..... **\$ 58,443.28**

Wilfrid Cassette
 2005 Board of Supervisor's Treasurer

Board of Supervisors meet every month at 7PM on the second Thursday at the Service Center. Public welcomed.

YORK COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BUSINESS PLAN 2006
 Reviewed annually

- I. PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO YORK COUNTY LANDUSERS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO REDUCE EROSION, PROTECT WATER QUALITY, AND MAINTAIN SOIL PRODUCTIVITY.
- A. Provide conservation planning and practice application assistance to farmers and other landowners. Priorities will be given to those measures, which have the greatest erosion control or water quality benefits.
 - B. Promote the use of plant materials for wildlife and erosion control throughout York County.
 - C. Assist farmers to comply with Nutrient Management Legislation.
 - D. Implement and coordinate measures necessary for the improvement of water quality categorized by EPA/DEP as priority watersheds.
 1. Mousam Lake Watershed
 2. Northern Great Works River
 3. Kennebunk Pond
 4. Little Ossipee Pond
 5. Square Pond
 - E. Expand Southern Maine Community Invasive Plant Control
 1. Implement National Fish and Wildlife Federation Grant
- II. PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION TO UNITS OF GOVERNMENT FOR GROWTH MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES.
- A. Provide appropriate training for town decision makers, such as soils, open space, farm and forestry issues, etc.
 1. Send conservation land taxation information to town assessors and selectman.
 - B. Strengthen District Municipal Relations by assisting towns to understand and implement appropriate BMP's (Best Management Practices)
 - C. Review MOU's (Memorandum of Understanding) with Federal, State and County agencies.
 - D. Utilize the library of references, including each of York County's town ordinances and requirements that involve YCSWCD (York County Soil & Water Conservation District) from Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission (SMRPC).
 - E. Review development site plans for municipalities and DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) as requested. Maintain database of information from site development plans for a period of 5 years.
 - F. Develop close working relationships with Planning Boards and CEOs (Code Enforcement Officer) to ensure coordination of site review.
 1. Coordinate a workshop about review standards with SMRPC.
 - G. Strengthen District's cooperation and partnering with other State agencies.
- III. INFORM AND EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT DISTRICT PROGRAMS AND CONSERVATION ISSUES.
- A. Biannually host the Southern Maine Regional Envirothon.
 1. Host 2006 Southern Regional and State Envirothon
 - B. Support Conservation Education activities and distribute materials through libraries, 4-H, schools and the media.
 - C. Continue to support environmental/agricultural education:
 1. Open Farm Day
 2. Maine Ag in the Classroom
 3. Conservation Ed Web program being developed by districts statewide.
 4. Support the Maine Ag License Plate program
 5. Support the York County Farmer's Network
 - D. Continue to improve the District forest as a demonstration area.
 1. The Forest Management Plan activities will be reviewed annually by the Forestry Committee. Activities in the District Forest will be administered by the District Forestry Committee.
 2. Hold one or more volunteer work days.
 3. Cooperate with, promote and assist SWOAM (Small Woodlot Owners Association of Maine). Hold a workshop in conjunction with SWOAM and Maine Forest Service at the Sid Emery Forest.
 4. Cooperate with Town of Lyman in maintaining trail system signage and brochures in District Forest.
 5. Host an open trail walk on June 3, 2006 for National Trails Day.

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- E. Conservation Options for Landowners.
 - F. Continue developing displays for County Fairs, Earth Day, District Day (State House), area businesses, schools, etc.
 - G. Through media, newsletters, District's website, and personal contacts, inform public of Farmland programs and District activities.
 - H. Through District Education Programs:
 - 1. Workshops
 - a. Forestry BMPs
 - b. Conservation Easements & Land Trust Workshop
 - 2. Conservation Tour
 - a. Tour installed conservation practices
 - b. Hold a bus tour of various farms participating in Open Farm Day
 - 3. Annual Meeting
 - a. Farming practices - Conservation Farm of the Year
 - b. Honoring Conservationist
 - I. Cooperate with the Town of Alfred in maintaining trail system in Massabesic Forest partnering with Maine Forest Service (MFS), Small Woodlot Owners Association of Maine (SWOAM), Alfred Conservation Commission, and US Forest Service.
 - J. Disseminate information on natural resources to decision makers.
- IV. IMPROVE THE CAPABILITY OF THE DISTRICT TO MEET EVOLVING CONSERVATION NEEDS OF YORK COUNTY.
- A. Expand committees to involve interested parties as a means to potentially develop the District Boards effectiveness, such as development of a Lakes Committee.
 - B. Continue to involve others in Locally Led Conservation through partnerships in natural resource conservation.
 - C. Improve communication with State NRCS about the program and staffing needs of York County.
 - D. Hire a program manager to continue the EPA/DEP and IF&W grant projects.
 - E. Participate in MACD, NACD, State, Regional and National meetings.
- V. FUNDING
- A. Continue to develop research and apply for funding strategies.

Approved 1/23/06

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