

VOLUNTEER SHOWCASE

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Local Producers Volunteer to Discuss and Develop Plan for Resource Concerns in Minnesota

Producers of the Mississippi River-Winona Watershed in Minnesota volunteered their time at the 2012 Watershed Citizen Summit to discuss concerns and ideas about protecting local water quality.

Ideas, strategies and visions for Minnesota's watersheds were solicited from participants in round table discussions about erosion control, ground water quality, surface water quality and nutrient management practices. Representatives from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) were available at each table.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is a source for assistance with whole farm planning and implementation of conservation practices.

Results of the round table discussions will be used to help NRCS develop a watershed strategy for all of Winona County's watersheds. The strategy will help establish sustained public participation in activities that protect and restore water quality in the watershed.



Round table discussion provided a healthy exchange of ideas, strategies and concerns about local water quality.



The Earth Team is the volunteer component of the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), a USDA agency. For more about NRCS and the Earth Team, visit www.usda.nrcs.gov.

If you are interested in volunteering, call (888) 526-3227 or visit your local NRCS office to learn about volunteer opportunities.