

# Area III: Rice County

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## **CONSERVATION BOOK DONATION**

Rice County Conservation District donated books on conservation and soil stewardship to fourth-grade classes which were used during their conservation week studies.

## **CONSERVATION POSTER CONTEST**

Students from schools in Sterling, Raymond/Chase, and Little River participated in the conservation district poster contest.

## **ON FARM TRIAL**

Rice County Conservation District is working with a first-time landowner on the Division of Conservation on-farm trial. The 2022 study on soil health is comparing cover crops with livestock grazing with the soil health of cover crops without livestock grazing.

## **SOIL TESTING**

Works cooperatively with the extension office to offer cost share soil tests through the NPS program.

## **STATE COST SHARE**

Rice County cost share the past two years have included grassed waterways and a water and sediment control basin, not commonly used in the western half of the state.