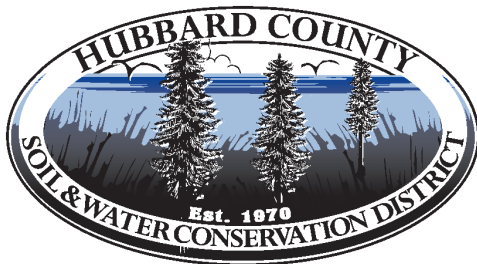


## Project Partners:



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## Pineland Sands Aquifer Project



A cooperative project  
between the Hubbard and  
Wadena Soil & Water  
Conservation Districts with  
funding provided by the  
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In recent years, conversion from forest land to irrigated row crops in Wadena and Hubbard Counties is occurring in an area known as the Pineland Sands Aquifer that has sandy, permeable soil.

The combination of permeable soils and agricultural fertilizers pose a risk of nitrate contamination to ground water and surface water.

This project is set up to help landowners cover costs of establishing native cover, including native grasses, tree and shrubs on less productive agriculture fields or idle fields. Landowners participating would receive cost –share to help pay for the establishment of cover by entering into a 15 year contract that would be approved by the respective SWCD boards.

SWCD staff will work with landowners to assist with all administrative, technical planning and implementation activities. Projects need to be installed by June 1, 2017.



### Am I Eligible?

The main focus area of this project is the less productive areas of agriculture fields. These areas include but are not limited to:

- Irrigation pivot corners
- Non-irrigated fields
- Highly erodible areas of field

### How to Apply

If you are interested in signing up, stop by your local SWCD to fill out an application. Information you will need to complete the application is:

- Name and Address
- Previous land use and the size of project
- Location (Township/Section/Quarter Section)
- Native Cover (Trees/Shrubs, Grasses, Pollinator Habitat)

## Enbridge Ecofootprint Grant Program

The Ecofootprint Grant Program provides funding to help protect and restore the natural environment.

### Overall Goals of the Project

The overall goal of this project is to establish perennial cover (forested and native grass/pollinator habitat) on 250 to 300 acres in Wadena and Hubbard Counties.

This funding will be used to provide cost share on establishing perennial cover including costs for site preparation, tree and seed purchase and planting.

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