Olmsted County Groundwater Protection Program

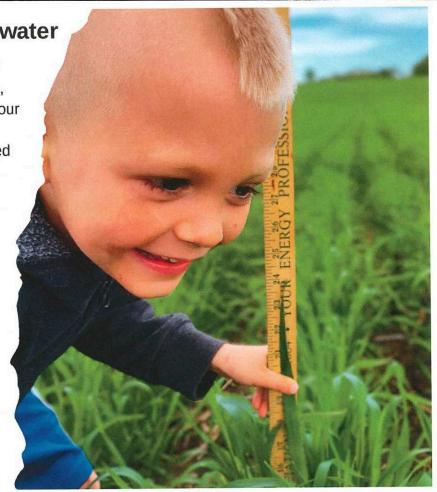
Are you interested in trying out cover crops, an alternative crop or looking to enhance your grazing practices and could use some financial assistance? Check out the Olmsted County Soil Health Cost-Share Program!

- Our outcome-based results and robust, cost-share compensation has over 23% of Olmsted County producers enrolled this last year.
- Use the QR Code below to apply for any of the options listed on the back, or call the office for guidance!
- 507-328-6905 or 507-328-7070
- Apply by Nov. 26th, 2025
- Our new address is 1188 50th St. SE Rochester, MN 55904









Alternative Crop Program:

Base Payment: Alternative crop grown to harvest - \$75/ac Option 1: Legume cover following alternative crop - \$25/ac *Acre enrollment limit 150 acres.

*Options are additional payments to the base payment

Cover Crop Program:

Base Payment: cover crop grown to a min height of 12" - \$55/ac

Option 1: Cover Crop growth height of 24" and above - \$20/ac

Option 2: Planting Green - \$10/ac

Option 3: 5- Species Cover Crop Mix - \$10/ac

Option 4: Grazing Cover Crops - \$10/ac

*Minimum cost-share payment rate \$55/ac, up to \$105/ac if all four enhancement options are utilized.

*Acre enrollment limit 150 acres.

*Options are additional payments to the base program payment

Haying, Grazing and Pasture Enhancement Program: Converting Row Crop Ground to Hay or Grazing Ground

Option 1: New Hay Acres- \$75/ac

Option 2: New Grazing Acres- \$100/ac

Existing Pasture Options

Option 1: Increase Plant Diversity- \$30/ac

Option 2: Rotational Grazing- \$30/ac

*Acre enrollment limit of 150 for new hay or grazing ground *Existing Pasture Options can be used together on the same

acres up to 150 acres.

