# Minnesota Farm Bill Assistance Partnership

December 2018

- MN Farm Bill Assistance Staff, first in the field and first in the office assisting landowner's with voluntary conservation.
- Boots on the ground.
- Collaboration to produce landscape level changes for enhanced water quality, soil health, and wildlife habitat.

#### Accomplishments (Annually):

- 80,000 acres impacted
- 10,000 landowners served





### Investing in Conservation:

- 41.30 FTE's
- Annual investment of \$2.5 million

The purpose of the Minnesota Farm Bill Assistance Partnership (FBAP) is to accelerate the implementation of voluntary conservation programs in Minnesota by adding capacity in local field offices to work directly with farmers and landowners to deliver voluntary conservation programs and advice on private lands. These positions can be hosted by local Soil and Water Conservation Districts as Farm Bill Technicians (FBT) or Pheasants Forever as Farm Bill Biologists (FBB).





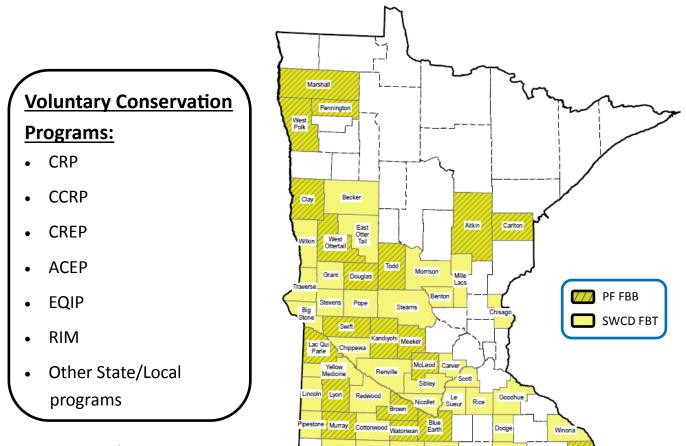




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The boots on the ground positions (denoted by yellow on the map below) are instrumental in implementing provisions of the federal farm bill, along with other state and local programs. These programs increase the amount of grasslands and wetlands on the landscape that enhance water quality, reduce soil erosion, increase soil health, and increase quality and quantity of wildlife habitat.



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