

2018 Monarch Initiative Prairie Program

Sherburne Soil And Water Conservation District



Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) receives funding to assist and promote conservation practices that protect water and soil and provide for wildlife. A portion of these funds are allocated to providing incentives to landowners for establishing diverse native prairie that includes obligate plants for monarch reproduction.



Incentive Program Highlights

Reimburses 75% of the seed cost, not to exceed \$600 per ac on a maximum of 10 acres. (Minimum of 1/2 acre and \$150)

SWCD Technical Staff assistance with site prep and seed mix recommendations. Seed mixes must include at least 3 milkweed and 2 blazing star species.

SWCD offers planting service at a cost of \$50 mobilization + \$50/ac.

Program participants are asked to maintain prairie for a minimum of 10 years and allow SWCD on-site inspections as requested (up to 1x per year).

Each program participant will receive a sign and post recognizing the project – to be installed on the edge of the planting at a mutually selected location.

Native Prairie Benefits

- Reduces Soil Erosion
- Reduces Green House Gases
- Increases Beneficial Insects
- Provides Year Long Wildlife Habitat
- Low Maintenance Once Established
- Tolerates Low Fertility Soil (No need to Fertilize)
- Drought Tolerant (No need to Water)



Applicants should contact Sherburne Soil and Water Conservation District and discuss the potential project. Applications will be accepted until April 1, 2019.



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