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Attention: Farmers and Landowners

Do you need grass seeds for your CRP Project?

The Poinsett County Conservation District can order your grass seeds.

Contact Brandy for more information.

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2013 Water Use Registration

Thank you for your efforts to report your usage by the deadline. To date, there have been 3,044 water use diversion points registered for Poinsett County. The 2013 water use registration began on October 1st. Postcards were sent out to notify that the registration period had begun. Producers had until March 1st to register their water use and could pay by mail or in person.

After March 1st there is a late penalty incurred. Producers can also call 870-578-2444 ext. 3 and set up an appointment to come by our office. Our office hours are Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Water Use questions or registration requests can also be emailed to nahan.pierce@ar.nacdnet.net.



2014 Farm Bill

The Agricultural Act of 2014 is important legislation that provides authorization for services and programs that impact every American and millions of people around the world. The new Farm Bill builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past five years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for the taxpayer.

Here are a few highlights of the new piece of legislation.

- Continues USDA Rural Development programs. Provides \$15 million to support rural business development and growth through the Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program.
- Provides \$150 million for water and wastewater infrastructure.
- Reserves 10% of certain programs for regional, long-term investments to better promote economic development through regional planning and leveraging of resources.
- Endows \$200 million for a foundation for agricultural research.
- Consolidates conservation programs for flexibility, accountability and adaptability at the local level.
- Links basic conservation practices to crop insurance premium subsidy for highly erodible lands and wetlands.
- Makes Stewardship Contracting Authority permanent, allowing FS to conduct restoration work and stimulate job growth.
- Maintains SNAP eligibility for millions of low-income families.
- Provides \$100 million for the Beginning Farmers and Ranchers Development Program.
- Increases access to capital and supports crop insurance and risk management tools, including reducing crop insurance premiums during the first 5 years of farming.

For more information visit www.usda.gov



BBQ Chicken Recipe

Source: allrecipes.com

Ingredients:

- 3 Tablespoons Vegetable Oil
- 1 1/2 Cups of Cider Vinegar
- 1 Tablespoon Salt
- 1/4 Teaspoon Ground Black Pepper
- 2 Teaspoons of Poultry Seasoning
- 2lbs Cut Up Chicken Pieces

Directions:

1. Heat grill to medium heat.
2. In a small skillet combine the oil, vinegar, salt and pepper and put over low heat. Add the poultry seasoning while stirring constantly; when sauce mixes well and starts to bubble, it is done.
3. Place chicken on hot grill and brush with sauce. Grill for 45 to 60 minutes, turning every 5 to 10 minutes, and brush chicken with sauce after each turning. Grill until chicken is done and juices run clear.



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Items for Purchase

Office Sales

- 2012 Plat Books \$60.00
- 2012 Wall Maps \$100.00
- 2012 Electronic Plat Books \$60.00
- Flags \$5.00/bundle

Be sure to check out our webpage frequently and like us on Facebook to stay up to date on the latest information and programs available. Scan the QR code with your smartphone which serves as a link to our webpage.





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Answers can be found at: www.poinsettcountycd.com

NRCS News

The Wetlands Reserve Enhancement Program (WREP) is a voluntary program that provides technical and financial assistance to private landowners to restore, protect, and enhance wetlands in

exchange for retiring eligible land from agriculture. A portion of Poinsett and Craighead County have been included into a special project area known as the Cache/L'Anguille WREP project area.

Land eligible for wetland reserve easements includes cropland and other land that can be successfully and cost-effectively



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restored to wetlands. NRCS will prioritize applications based the easement's potential for protecting and enhancing habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife. Once applications are accepted for funding, NRCS will offer applicants a one time payment not to exceed \$2400/acre for irrigated cropland, \$2100/acre for non-irrigated cropland, and \$750/acre for other land. For more information contact the NRCS office at 870-578-2444 ext 3.

Wetlands provide habitat for fish and wildlife, including threatened and endangered species; improve water quality by filtering sediments and chemicals; reduce flooding; recharge groundwater; protect biological diversity; and provide opportunities for educational, scientific, and limited recreational activities.



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Mission: The purpose of the Poinsett County Conservation District is to plan and promote the wise use of soil and water resources in Poinsett County and to assure fair and equitable treatment of all people.

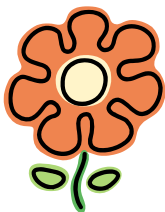
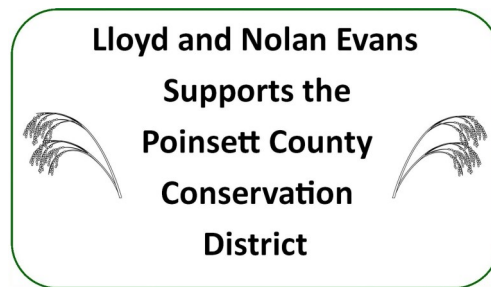
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