

## Conservation District's 2024 Tree planting Project

January 10, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$135,500 for 2024 tree planting efforts within the District; allocating \$15,000 to Beadle Conservation District, Brown Conservation District, Davison Conservation District, Hanson Conservation District, Hutchinson Conservation District, Sanborn Conservation District, Spink Conservation District and Yankton Conservation District. Marshall Conservation District received \$8,000 and Aurora Conservation District received \$7,500. These funds will encourage producers to plant trees to improve the environment, for example; by protecting the soil, improving water quality and to establish wildlife habitat.

## Davison Conservation District: Tree Cooler

January 10, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$10,000 for costs associated with updating Davison Conservation District's current refrigeration equipment for their tree cooler. The current one is from 1972 and has outlived its service life. The new system will provide a more efficient cooler that will house trees for all shelterbelt plantings in Davison and Hanson Counties.

## City of Northville: Water System Improvements

March 14, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$20,000 to the City of Northville for their water system improvement project. This project will provide a new underground storage tank that will be able to store 40,000 gallons for peak daily usage which will allow Northville to serve its residents with water as needed. The project will also include replacing lines which will increase water pressure and water quality for the residents.

### **Davison Conservation District Tree Shredder/Cutter**

March 14, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$10,000 to Davison Conservation District for a new mechanical tree shredder/cutter in an effort to provide conservation assistance to address woody encroachment concerns in the Davison, Hanson, Sanborn and other counties in the JRWDD for the life of the machine.

### **Bank Stabilization in Foster Township**

March 14, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$18,600 for bank stabilization at a water structure replacement site in Beadle County.

### **Repair a dam in Hutchinson County**

March 14, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$48,615.31 to repair a dam in Sweet Township approximately four-miles above the James River and will hold nearly 30-acre feet, which will slow the runoff greatly.

### **Build a dam in Yankton County**

March 14, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$46,410.93 to build a dam in Odessa Township 2-3 miles south of the James River and will slow down the runoff and reduce erosion.

### **Dakota Mainstem Regional Water System**

May 9, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded an additional \$5,000 to the Dakota Mainstem RWS for startup activities, data collection and engineering.

### **Restoring Wetlands in Hanson County**

May 9, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$30,000 to restore and expand hydrology to 5 drained wetland basins by building an earthen dam and 4 ditch plugs. A total of 45 surface

acres will be restored on the project; having over 60 acre-feet of water storage capacity. These drained wetlands currently empty in the James River, located less than 1.5 miles west.

#### **Drainage Issues for community project at Gayville-Volin School District**

May 9, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$4,000 to Gayville-Volin School District for drainage issues and running water issues for their outdoor wellness park that will be available to the entire community and surrounding area.

#### **Build a dam in Yankton County**

May 9, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$15,550.92 to build a dam in Jamesville Township. The site is located less than a mile above the James River and sits against Highway 46. The project will consist of building an 11-foot berm on the fence line with a tube draining into the existing culvert.

#### **Town of Gayville: Engineering for Wastewater Project**

July 11, 2024. The James River Water Development District awarded \$50,000 for engineering costs associated with the Town's sanitary sewer improvement project. The project will include replacement of collection mains, lining of the same and improvements to its treatment lagoons.