



Feedlot Water Quality Management Grant

Benton SWCD



Clean Water Funds: 2010

Clean Water Grant	\$136,263
AgBMP Loans	\$100,000
Leveraged Funds*	\$268,895
Total Project Budget	\$505,158

* Leveraged Funds include required match.

Targeted Water:

County / Watershed Wide

Project Sponsor:

Benton SWCD

Partners:

Natural Resource Conservation Service, West Central Technical Service Area,

Grant Period:

January 2010—December 2011

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Project Narrative

Currently, there are approximately 5,050 feedlots with fewer than 300 animal units that need to come into compliance with State feedlot rules. Clean Water Feedlot Water Quality Management Grant funds are being used to provide financial assistance to landowners with feedlots located in a riparian area or impaired watershed. A variety of practices are commonly used to reduce the pollution potential from a feedlot site. Each situation is unique and may require capital improvements such as ag waste storage systems or more modest improvements such as clean water diversions, rain gutters on roofs, grass filter strips, or fencing. Technical staff and engineers from local government units and private contractors work with the landowner to develop and implement a pollution control system that protects the environment and maintains the economic viability of the farm.

Through this project 6 open lot feedlots under 300 animal units will reduce their runoff levels to negligible levels through technical assistance and cost-shared financial assistance funding.

