

**BROWN COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
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The District administers funds allocated through the Illinois Department of Agriculture for the Streambank Stabilization and Restoration Program (SSRP). Landowners receive 75% cost-share incentives for the installation of practices aimed at controlling streambank erosion. With fiscal year 2008 funds, \$9721.00 was spent on two projects. 440 feet of streambank were protected at a cost of \$22.09 per foot resulting in an annual savings of nearly 163 tons of soil.

The SSRP project below is located on the property of S&O Markert Trust in Lee Township. This project is located on a reach of the Dry Fork Creek which drains nearly 8850 acres. Stone toe protection, along with four bed keys, were placed on nearly 230 feet of streambank to prevent further erosion into adjacent cropland. Chad Markert Trucking hauled and Tri-State Excavating placed the 131.4 tons of rip rap which is used to construct stone toe protection along the lower portion of the streambank preventing future bank failure.



Above left – 4/17/07  
During site inspection and evaluation between landowner, SWCD and NRCS personnel, and IDOA streams specialist Rob Meats.

Above right – Chad Markert Trucking unloading the rip rap.

Left – 10/2/08  
Construction completed