

# Pike County Soil & Water Conservation District

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- ◆ During fiscal year 2008 the Pike County SWCD provided technical, administrative and cost-share assistance to 22 Pike County landowners through the State of Illinois Partners for Conservation program. During this period, 39,444 feet of terraces and water and sediment control basins have been installed. The constructed practices will result in more than 760 tons of soil being saved annually.
- ◆ Provides technical assistance to the Bay Creek River Conservancy District.
- ◆ Provides County 3rd graders with trees to commemorate Arbor Day.
- ◆ Conducts county high school Envirothon competition and assists with the Land Use Council 8 competition.
- ◆ The Pike County SWCD also provides administrative and technical assistance to the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). SWCD personnel provided assistance with the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP). The Pittsfield NRCS field office currently administers 158 active contracts totaling more than 2.8 million dollars in contract obligations.
- ◆ The SWCD conducted a sign-up in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the Landowner Incentive Program (LIP). The LIP is a program available to landowners who are interested in managing their lands for species in greatest need of conservation.
- ◆ The SWCD provided assistance to Adams County SWCD, Brown County SWCD, Extension and John Wood Community College with a fifth grade Conservation/Agriculture Field Day at John Wood Community College Campus in Quincy.



Pike County Envirothon 2009 competition winners from Western High School in Barry



A recently constructed water and sediment control basin system. Cost-share assistance was provided by the district.