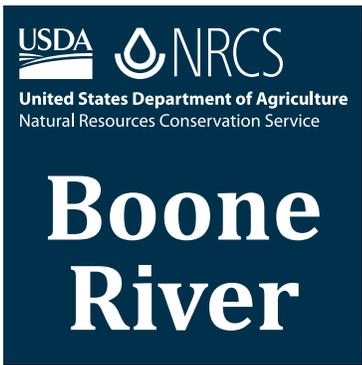




# Mississippi River Basin Initiative



## Targeted Nutrient Removal in the Boone River Watershed

Farmers in eight subwatersheds covering sections of **Wright and Hamilton Counties** within the Boone River Watershed have the opportunity to receive **higher payment rates** on conservation practices and systems that avoid, control and trap nutrient runoff; improve wildlife habitat; and maintain agricultural productivity.

It's part of a new Initiative – the Mississippi River Basin Initiative (MRBI). The goal of MRBI is to reduce nutrient loading in the Mississippi River Basin, which contributes to both local water quality problems and the hypoxic zone in the Gulf of Mexico.

Concerns over water quality, water and soil leaving croplands, and nutrients are common themes among Boone River Watershed residents. The MRBI offers a rare opportunity to address water quality from a targeted watershed perspective.

MRBI will be offered now through fiscal year 2013. To enroll, applicants must meet the minimum eligibility requirements of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). **Eligible practices and payment rates are listed on the back page.**

For more information about the Boone River Watershed Project and MRBI, contact the Webster City Field Office:

**1921 Superior Street  
Webster City, IA 50595  
Phone: 515-832-2916**

Farmers in the following Boone River Subwatersheds may be eligible for MRBI funding:

- Headwaters White Fox Creek
- Lyons Creek
- Drainage Ditch 206
- Buck Creek
- White Fox Creek
- Little Eagle Creek
- Eagle Creek
- Headwaters Eagle Creek

**Stop by the Webster City office if you farm in this area!**

## Boone River Watershed MRBI Conservation Practice and Payment List

Practice	Payment Rate (Additional technical and financial assistance may be available from the MRBI project partners.)
Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan	\$4,860 - 7,695
Nutrient Management	\$2.66 - \$30 (see Intensity Options Worksheet)
Drainage Water Management Plan	\$862 - \$1,177
Drainage Water Management	\$546
Residue & Tillage Management, No-till/Strip-till	\$22 - \$45/acre (up to three years, 320 acre limit)
Cover Crop	\$32 - \$79/acre (up to three years, 320 acre limit)
Fence ( <i>interior only</i> )	\$0.43 - \$1.35/foot
Pasture & Hay Planting	\$42 - \$212/acre
Prescribed Grazing	\$61 - \$123/acre
Denitrifying Bioreactor	\$5,999
Monitoring & Evaluations	\$4,687 - \$14,250

