



ARE YOU THE BEST PLANNER YOU CAN BE?

## ABOUT US

### THE HEARTLAND INITIATIVE

*The goal of the Heartland Initiative is to make research-based information, education and other capacity building resources more available to help citizens, landowners, agencies and community leaders address their water resource concerns.*

### NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

*Iowa NRCS staff provides technical assistance to the state's landowners, farmers, communities, groups and other agencies to help them protect and conserve the states' natural resources including soil, water and wildlife habitat.*

### TECHNICAL SERVICE PROVIDER NETWORK

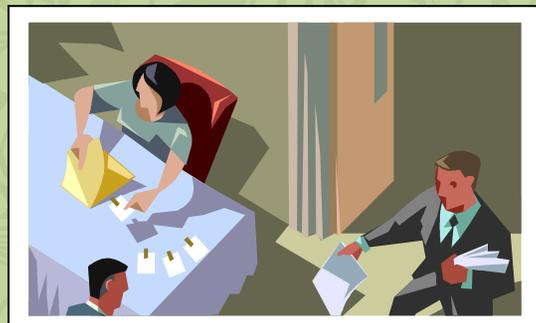
*The TSPN is a non-profit organization dedicated to advocating for training, networking and mentoring opportunities for Technical Service Providers.*



WE CAN HELP.

Conservation Planning is that integral "first step" that all conservation decisions are built upon. True conservation planning involves not only a working knowledge of the science of resource management, but also an understanding of the cultural, social and economic factors that influence a landowner's decisions.

This NRCS course prepares the participant to independently apply the NRCS planning process; and to utilize supporting technology to assist clients in making decisions that protect, conserve, and enhance the resources, and meet client needs.



### Registration & Payment

Contact Joe Lally at 515-294-1496

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## Conservation Planning, Part II





# Conservation Planning Part II

Date: November 4 – 8, 2013  
Place: [Boulders Conference Center](#)  
Denison, IA 51442  
712.263.2200

*A limited number of rooms have been set aside for participants. Reserve early!\*\**

Cost: \$650.00 – 2 meals & 2 snacks/day are included in the registration fee\*

\*\$550.00 for TSPN Members.  
Membership can be applied for during registration or at the training location.

## Course Topics

- Steps of conservation planning
- Planning tools
- Resource assessment
- Feedlot/Home Place assessment
- Introduction to RUSLE2 and other online conservation tools
- Field Exercise & Farm Visits
- Planning Exercise

*\*\*Breakfast buffet included if you stay at the Boulders Conference Center*

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Is this training accepted by all states?

A

You will need to contact the specific State Coordinator to determine if this course meets the State's criteria for Conservation Planning Part II. It is modeled on the Iowa NRCS course and has classroom and field components.

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Will this course qualify me to meet the criteria required to certify as a TSP?

A

Each TSP category has individual criteria that must be met. For the categories requiring completion of Conservation Planning, Modules 1-9, completion of this course will be critical.

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Will there be time for me to work in the evening?

A

This is a very time intensive class. Wednesday, in particular, you should plan to be working late on a group planning project. On Monday and Tuesday, you should be free by 8:00 pm.

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How often is this class held?

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Iowa last held the class in 2011 and will probably not hold it again until 2015. Iowa is one of the few States that offer this course to TSPs.

### Registration information:

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*(Ask Joe about all the benefits associated with joining the **Technical Service Provider Network!**)*

### For additional course information:

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