



H2Ohio ANNUAL REVIEW

2.5 Million acres of cropland enrolled in VNMPs

3,200 Agreements signed to implement practices on farms

50% Farmland enrolled in West Lake Erie Basin

22,300 Acres of watershed improved through conservation ditch projects

CONSERVATION DITCH PROGRAM

26 Approved projects

- 9 two-stage ditches
- 17 self-forming ditches
- 11 generated through county engineers
- 25 generated through SWCDs
- 24 in Lake Erie Watershed
- 2 in Ohio Watershed

40.3
Sq. Miles
Watershed

\$11.4M
Total Requests

22
Miles
Long

AGRICULTURE ASSISTANCE GRANTS

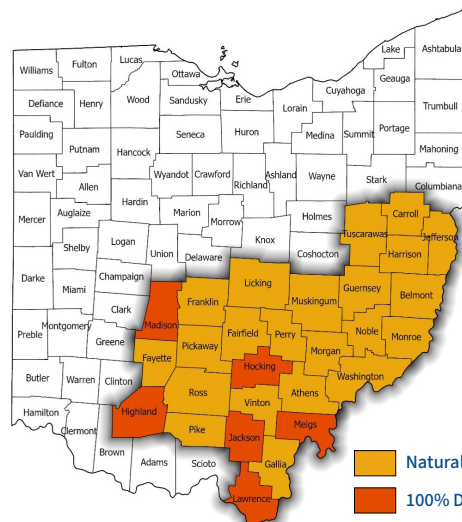
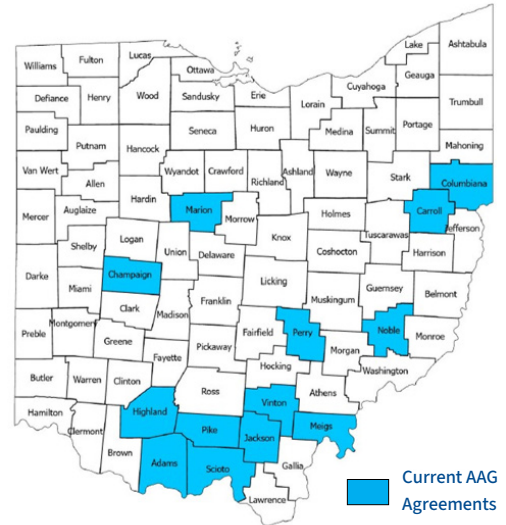
50/50 Funding from NRCS and OSWCC to **13 SWCDs** to increase staffing

582 Producers reached for technical assistance

82 Conservation Plans

71 SWCD outreach events impacting more than 2,200 people

* Figures through Oct. 1, 2025



DROUGHT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

4,300 Producers assisted

96% Eligible producers applied

98% of \$10M paid out thus far

Most work completed in 45-day sign-up period

TITLE	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
Soil & Water Division (General Revenue Fund)	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$4,679,000	\$4,857,000
Soil & Water District Support (General Revenue Fund 700509)	\$12,510,000	\$12,510,000	\$12,527,000	\$12,533,000
Soil & Water Districts (5BVO)	\$9,500,000	\$9,500,000	\$10,507,000	\$10,509,000
H2Ohio	\$60,659,574	\$60,755,574	\$53,600,000	\$53,600,000
Totals	\$86,669,574	\$86,765,574	\$81,313,000	\$81,499,000

FUNDING

Funding breakdown across districts/programs per fiscal year.

State and local funding in all 88 SWCDs.

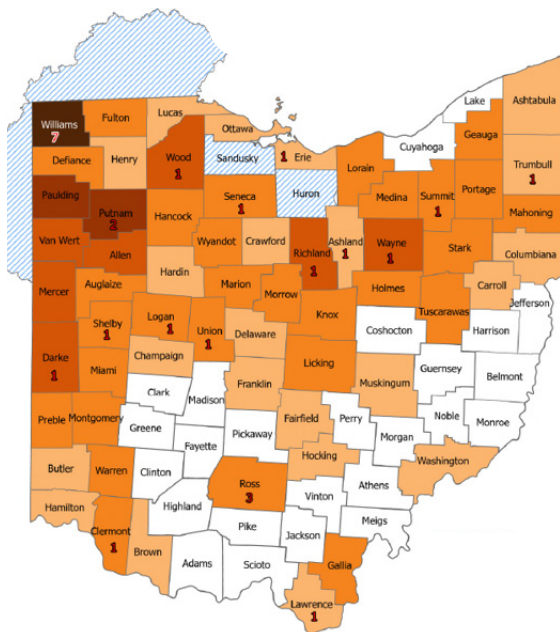
STATEWIDE MATCH SUMMARY - SFY 26

STATE FUNDS

- State Matching Funds = \$17,428,770
- Overall Match Rate: 80%

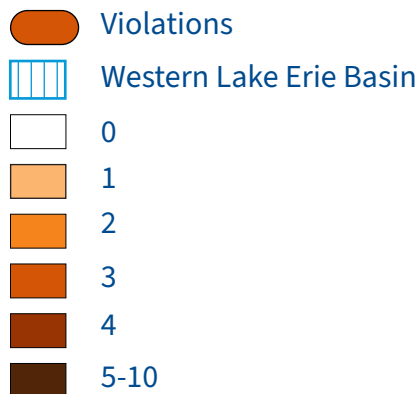
LOCAL FUNDS

- County = \$18,554,691
- Municipal and Township Funds = \$3,235,051
- **TOTAL = \$21,789,742**



STATE AGRICULTURE POLLUTION COMPLAINTS

FY 2025 (July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025)



OHIO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Commission (OSWCC) ensures Ohio counties are served by administering and supporting SWCD. The commission consists of seven voting members and five non-voting ex officio members. Assisting with approvals for funding and rules, the commission is instrumental in the success of SWCDs.



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