

CHAPTER 5: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

During the Wood County Land and Water Resource Management Plan revision process, natural resources management professionals as well as county citizens and local officials have agreed that nutrient loading to streams by both sediment and animal waste is the number one resource concern. The following is a list of goals and objectives as established by the Focus Group and approved by the Wood County Land Conservation Committee:

Goal 1: Reduce Sediment Delivery to Surface Waters.

Objectives:

1. Reduce erosion and sediment delivery from cropland fields.
2. Reduce sediment from non-cropland acres.
3. Administer Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Ordinance.
4. Reduce sediment from construction sites.

Goal 2: Reduce Animal Waste and Nutrient Delivery to Surface Waters.

Objectives:

1. Increase the number of cropland acres that have a nutrient management plan.
2. Reduce runoff of winter-spread manure.
3. Administer County Animal Waste Storage Ordinance.
4. Reduce runoff from barnyards and feedlots.
5. Promote proper well abandonment.

Goal 3: Reduce Crop Damage Caused by Wildlife

Objectives:

1. Administer Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program.

Goal 4: Protect and Develop Wetlands and Uplands for Wildlife Habitat

Objectives:

1. Increase and protect wetlands and wildlife habitat.

Goal 5: Increase Efforts to Inventory the Water Resources of Wood County

Objectives:

1. Increase water quality monitoring on Wood County Streams.
2. Increase water quality monitoring for groundwater resources in Wood County.

Goal 6: Minimize the Adverse Effects of Urban Sprawl and Land Fragmentation in Rural Wood County

Objectives:

1. Maintain prime farmland and reduce housing development in rural areas.

Goal 7: Improve Air Quality in Wood County

Objectives:

1. Reduce wind erosion from cropland fields.
2. Increase awareness of Wood County air quality.