

COVER CROP COST SHARE IMPACTS

2024 COST SHARED 108,000 ACRES COVER CROPPED ACRES



COVER CROPS PREVENTED **31 LBS** OF **NITROGEN**/ACRE FROM LEACHING

PREVENTING A TOTAL OF **3,348,000 LBS** OF NITROGEN FROM ENTERING OUR RIVERS, LAKES, STREAMS, AND WELLS

AT 57¢/LB OF NITROGEN, THIS SAVES FARMERS

\$1,908,360





COVER CROPS SEQUESTERED 747 LBS

OF CARBON/ACRE

TOTALING **80,767,000 LBS**OF CARBON SEQUESTERED IN THE SOIL



Just 1 lb of carbon holds 4.8 gallons of water. This equates to 387,284,800 GALLONS of water retained in the soil.

Sequestering carbon:

- increases soil function
- filters water
- feeds biology



Wind erosion causes

LOSS PER ACRE, PER

5 TONS OF SOIL

YEAR IF BARE.

This means these cover crops

losing up to 1,080,000,000 lbs of soil to wind erosion.

are mitigating the risk of



Cover crops prevented soil erosion:

- held soil in place
- · kept nutrients in the field
- *• SAVED MONEY from reduced nutrient runoff

COVER CROPS PREVENTED

1,080,000,000 LBS
OF SOIL EROSION

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RESULTING IN \$3,780,000 SAVED FROM REDUCED NUTRIENT LOSS



\$5,675,400 FERTILIZER

\$3,385,000 NITROGEN | 55 LBS/ACRE AT 57¢/LB \$881,010 PHOSPHORUS | 13 LBS/ACRE AT .6275¢/LB \$1,408,590 POTASSIUM | 37 LBS/ACRE AT .3525¢/LB

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Cover crops pay the farmer, pay the soil, and pay the environment.











