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### STATE SOIL CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY MEETING — DECEMBER 2020

**Teleconference.** The State Soil Conservation and Water Quality [Committee](#) held a teleconference meeting on December 3, 2020.

**Updates.** Employees from the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (DALs) and partners provided the following updates:

- DALs Bureau Chief Will Myers, Field Services Bureau, reported that the FY 2020 cost-share data shows the highest ever number of cost-share contracts paid.
- DALs Bureau Chief Vince Sitzmann, Mines and Minerals Bureau, reported seven active construction projects and four preliminary or final design projects for the Abandoned Mine Land Program.
- DALs Bureau Chief Jake Hansen, Water Resources Bureau, reported that there are 9 wetland initiative projects under construction with 45 more in development. There are now 99 Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program wetlands. In addition, there are 16 agricultural drainage wells left to be addressed.
- DALs Division Director Susan Kozak, Soil Conservation and Water Quality Division, reported that the Cover Crop – Crop Insurance Demonstration Project application period is open.

**Next Meeting.** The next meeting will be a teleconference meeting on January 7, 2021.

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