

Soil Conservation

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The division of Soil Conservation is responsible for state leadership in the areas of soil, water, and mineral resource management. The division mission includes setting the state's priorities, formulating and implementing programs, and establishing policies for preserving and protecting these natural resources in Iowa. The division provides assistance and support to Iowa's 100 soil and water conservation districts. It carries out programs for licensing mineral extraction, coal mining regulation and mined land reclamation.

Programs to reduce or eliminate groundwater contamination associated with the use of agricultural practices or with naturally occurring environmental threats are initiated by the Soil Conservation Division to ensure the quality of Iowa soil and water for everyone.

The division assists in the administration of an Integrated Farm Management Demonstration Project in every county with other state and federal agencies. It is a program designed to help farmers reduce chemical inputs while maintaining profitability. The division also conducts an Agricultural Drainage Well Research and Demonstration Project. Policies for the division are established by the State Soil Conservation Committee.

State Soil Conservation Committee members

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Veterinary Medicine, Iowa Board of

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The Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine was created in 1900 when the first "Veterinary Practice Act" became effective. The five-member board has three members who are licensed veterinarians and two represent the public. The state veterinarian serves as the board's secretary and handles administrative matters.

The board offers examinations in April and December to qualified applicants, to determine their personal and professional qualifications to practice in Iowa. The board also determines the standards for certification of veterinary assistants, and may conduct investigations, hold hearings, and take disciplinary action when indicated in matters involving the practice of veterinary medicine.

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