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Grass waterways are easier on machinery and dispositions, as well as the soil, according to M. A. Thorfinnson, University Farm extension soil conservationist. When you blade in unsightly gullies and seed them down to grass and legumes you beautify the landscape, save breakage of valuable machinery and make farming operations easier, thus saving valuable time, and best of all, helping keep the good soil where it belongs

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A farm face-lifting demonstration held on the Bутtenhoff farm in the Wright County SCD last September is paying off like nobody's business, according to Ingolf Sather, SCS farm planner. Since the big day, many farmers who attended have called at the district office for help with their soil and water problems. And nearly every one of them wanted a complete farm conservation plan based on the natural capabilities of the land.

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Thousands of Minnesota farmers pay annually for the cost of field windbreaks and still don't have them, says Marvin Smith, extension forester. "They are paying many times the cost of windbreak protection in frequent blow-down of mature crops, blasting of sprouting crops, uncovering of seed, soil drifting, firing by hot winds and loss of soil moisture. Adequate protection from these calamities can be obtained by planting one to four rows of trees at right angles to the direction of destructive winds."

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Speaking of working "hand in hand", county commissioners of Pope county and the SCD board of supervisors have struck a new note in cooperation for mutual benefit. They got together, formulated a mutual policy to deal with drainage in which both groups might be interested. And at their regular meetings each board adopted this policy.

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