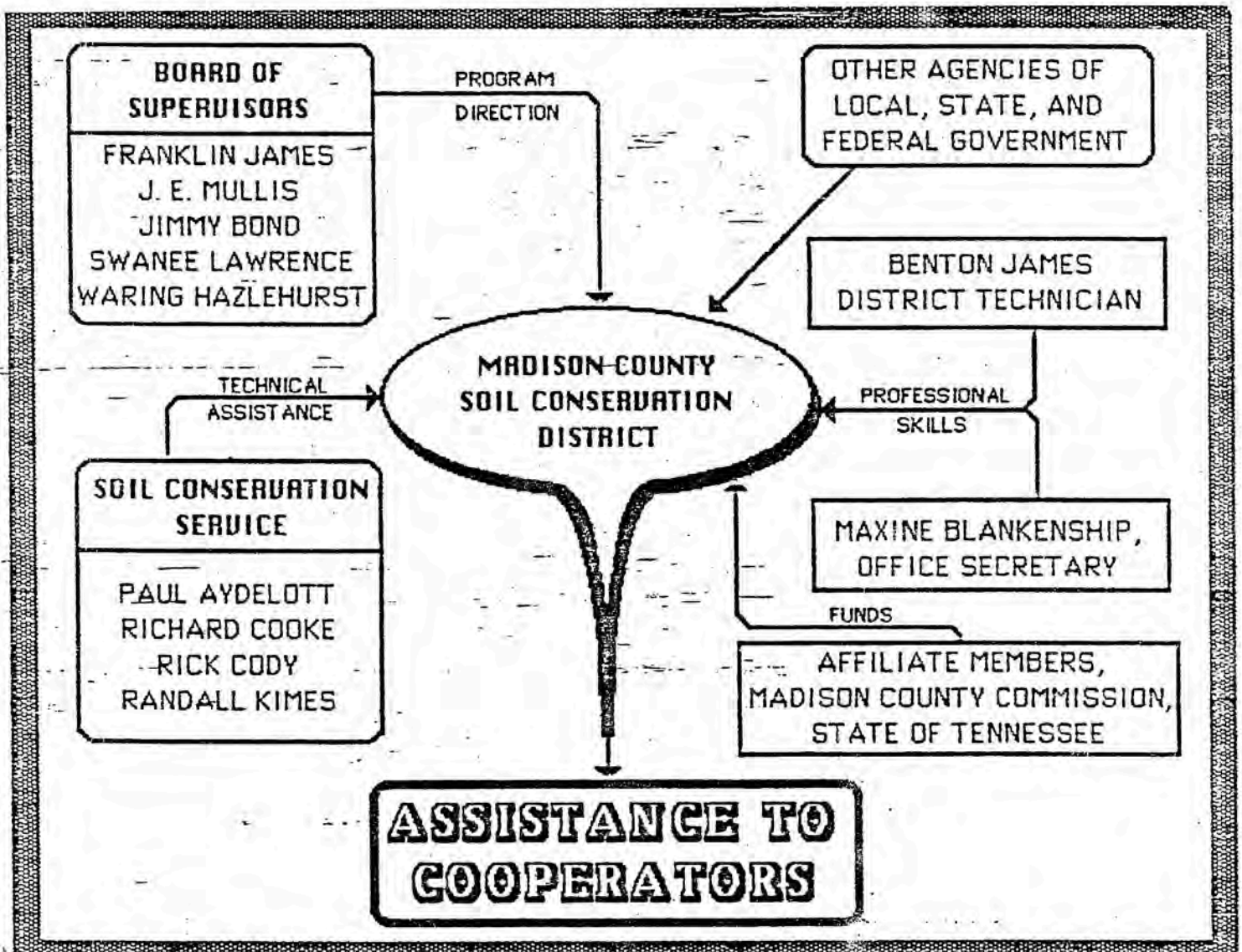




Madison County Soil Conservation District  
313 North Parkway  
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Since its beginning in 1941 the Madison County Soil Conservation District has faithfully serviced Madison County; providing its residence both technical and financial assistance.

The Board of Supervisors is proud to report that 1985 was no exception. Its staff of well trained highly qualified professionals assisted over 400 landowners, helping them recognize and solve their lands soil and water related problems. Comprehensive erosion control systems were planned for nearly 13,000 acres; 7,500 acres received conservation treatment; 170 conservation practices were applied to the land; and there were 37 landowners who became district cooperators.

During this past year over \$12,000 of Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) funds were obtained and utilized by the District to help landowners finance the implementation of their conservation farm plans. The District was able to obtain another \$7,500 of RC&D funds to help the County Highway Department finance the seeding of county road banks.

The District also sponsored the Madison-Cypress Creek Watershed project and documents were signed by Authorized SCS and District representatives which solidified a joint agreement between the two parties to accept the watershed treatment plan proposed by SCS. If funding for the project is maintained the District shall receive nearly \$1,000,000 of SCS funds. These funds will help landowners in the area finance the installation of comprehensive erosion control systems on their lands. This project, if fully implemented, will significantly reduce soil erosion within the 14,000 acre watershed.

As an promotional project, the district conducted a no-till cotton demonstration on two farms in the Adair community. Staff personnel solicited chemicals and equipment from local business and technical expertise from the U. T. Extension Service. Cotton from the three plots, which were planted into previous year's stubble, yielded comparably to that of the conventionally planted cotton in the same area. Judging from the postive comments which farmers have shared with us we feel the demonstration was a overall success.

State funds were utilized by the District to hire a temporary summer employee. The employee was a big help as he assisted in the survey of proposed dam sites, terrace layout and checkouts. The employee was also responsible for preparing a land ownership map of the Madison-Cypress Creek Watershed.

The District has also acquired the services of a state employee on a full time part time basis. He will alternate his employment time between Haywood and Madison Counties. His responsibility will encompass the same duties as our full time employees.

During the year we lost the services of two valuable employees. District Conservationist Paul Aydelott was transferred to Colorado where he will assist in the computerization of the Soil Conservation Service. Soil Conservationist Randall Kimes left the Service and is now employed by the U. T. Extension Service in Clay County, Tennessee. These dedicated professionals will truly be missed.

At the District's annual banquet Hayes Lee Allen of the Three-Way community was presented a plaque which recognized him as the District's conservation farmer of 1985. The District also presented the North Side High School FFA Soil Judging Team with an award which recognized them as the first place team in the county. Others which received recognition were the District's Affiliate Members and the Madison County Commissioners, both have supported the District loyally over the years.



**FRANKLIN JAMES**  
**CHAIRMAN**



IN APPRECIATION TO OUR AFFILIATE MEMBERS.

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