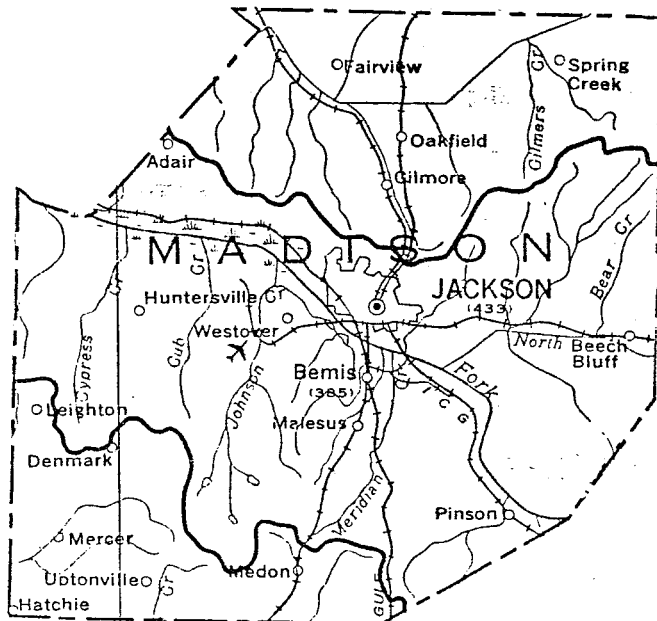




**MADISON COUNTY  
SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**1986**



**SUPERVISORS**

**FRANKLIN JAMES**  
Chairman

**WARING HAZLEHURST**  
Vice-Chairman

**JIMMY BOND**  
Secretary-Treasurer

**BILLY RAY JONES**  
Member

**HAROLD WATSON**  
Member

As supervisors of the Madison County Soil Conservation District, we submit our report of the progress made on soil and water conservation measures in 1986. The supervisors responsible for planning and implementing the conservation program in Madison County are: Franklin James, Chairman; Waring Hazlehurst, vice-chairman; Jimmy Bond, secretary-treasurer; and new members Billy Ray Jones and Harold Watson.

The district is a member of the National Association of Conservation of Conservation Districts, the Tennessee Association of Conservation Districts, TACD Secretaries Organization and the West Tennessee Chapter of the Soil Conservation Society of America.

During the past year the district's staff provided assistance to over 469 landowners, helping them recognize and solve their soil and water related problems. Conservation plans were prepared on 20,309 acres; 149 conservation systems were applied to the land with 7,772 acres receiving treatment to reduce soil loss and 16 landowners became new cooperators on 2,700 acres.

Some of the conservation systems applied this year include 35,000 feet of terraces, 2,500 feet of diversions, 10 grade control structures and 5 acres of waterways.

The Madison Cypress Creek Watershed Project, the first Land Treatment Watershed Project in the state has gotten off to a good start with 21 contracts written on 650 acres with \$84,281.13 of SCS money obligated. There were three planning camps that assisted in planning approximately 7,500 acres.

Special state funding was provided in the amount of \$19,225.00 to supplement the 65% cost-share in Madison Cypress up to 90% cost-share not to exceed the \$2,500 per fiscal year.

The Small Resource Demonstration Area in the Adair community recieved \$10,000 of special ACP funds and has been fully obligated.

Fifteen acres of roadbank seeding were completed this fall with RC&D funds.

A Long Term Agreement was written for Homer Jones that will include 145 acres of strip-cropping and 10 acres of permanent vegetative cover.

The Conservation Reserve program has begun to pick up after several newspaper articles, personal contacts and TV programs on WBBJ-TV in Jackson. At present there are 59 contracts on 3,354.8 acres.

The district information and education was very effective this year. Seventeen newspaper articles were written about soil and water conservation events, five TV programs were produced, the district annual FFA soil judging contest was held, a display on Madison Cypress was at the Milan No-till Field Day, a tree planting project on Lake Graham with the boy scouts was held, and several other meetings at local civic groups, agricultural clubs and schools were given.

The district annual awards banquet was held in November with Jimmy Boggs being recognized as conservation farmer of the year for 1986. Others recieved recognition were affiliate members and two former supervisors Swanee Lawrence and J. E. Mullis for their loyalty to the district.

Franklin James  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Franklin James". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name and title.

NOTE: Benton James, District Technician, Maxine Blankenship, District Secretary.

IN APPRECIATION TO OUR AFFILIATE MEMBERS

Terry Moore

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Madison County Farm Bureau

Southern Gas Corp.

First American Bank

S. M. Lawrence Co.

Jackson Tractor Co.

Monsanto

Jackson National Bank

Tennessee Seed

Dwayne Buck

R & J Feed Supply

Farm Services Inc. - Wayne Monks

Madison County Co-Op

David's Florists - Sidney & Omega

BASF Wyandotte

Yates & Sons Tile and Culvert Co. Tiptonville,  
Tenn.

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