Clinton County REAP Committee
Five-Year Plan

Representation on the County REAP committee is open to any of the following:

- The chair of the county board of supervisors, or its designee
- The chair of the county conservation board, or its designee
- The chair of the county soil and water district, or its designee
- The chair of a school board, or its designee
- The mayor of each city in the county, or its designee
- Head or designee member of a recognized county farm or farm commodity group
- The chair or designee member of any recognized wildlife, conservation, environmental, recreation, conservation education, historical-cultural, nonpartisan governmental research group, study group of the League of Women Voters that has a county organization.
  - A historic preservation commission or similar entity established by a county or city in the county.
  - A private organization that provides recognition and protection for historic buildings, structures, sites, and districts in a county or a city.
  - A historic museum or organization that maintains a collection of documents relating to the history of a county or a city.

These historical representatives will be appointed by the county board of supervisors, and if the appointee represents an entity established by a city, the board will consult with the city authority that established the entity.

The law says that REAP county committee members generally are to be members of some county organization (above), but anyone of the public can and should be encouraged to attend and participate in the meetings.

The Clinton County REAP is charged with the following duties:

1. Coordinate the program, plans and proposed projects developed by cities, county conservation board and soil and water conservation district for funding by REAP.
2. Review and comment upon all REAP projects before they are submitted for funding.
3. Propose a five-year plan that includes a one-year proposed expenditure plan and submit it to the DNR.

The most important aspect of the REAP committee is to educate the public about REAP, how it works, how it is funded and how county residents have benefited from the REAP program.
The Clinton County REAP Committee has outlined the following as its goals for FY 2008 – 2013.

1. Make improvements to the parks, wildlife areas, historical sites and related facilities within Clinton County.

2. Expand upon the existing environmental education programs conducted within Clinton County so as to reach all citizens of Clinton County.

3. Improve wildlife habitat and restore native vegetation on public and private grounds.

4. Improve water quality in County rivers and streams and educate the public on their importance.

REAP funds allocated to the Clinton County Conservation Board as part of its per county and per capita shares will be utilized in FY 2009 for the construction of a showerhouse/restroom facility at Walnut Grove Park. The Clinton County Conservation Board will also make application for competitive grant funds from the REAP program for the Construction of the proposed Mississippi River Eco Tourism Center.

Committee Chair

August 11, 2008

Adopted on