

CRP Success Story

Frank Hough, Rolling Green Farm

Frank began planting trees under CRP contracts in 1992. He has used both the forested riparian buffer (CP22) and hardwood tree planting (CP3A) programs. His latest planting was done in the fall of 2004 (CP22). To date, Frank has successfully planted approximately 231.8 acres of tree with CRP assistance.

The plantings are in Decatur and Ringgold counties. The largest planting, 89 acres planted in 1992 is shown in 3 photos shown below. The other photo shows a portion of an upland hardwood CP3A planting done in 2000. Three of the six plantings are visible from roads and look quite spectacular.

Frank has planted a variety of upland and bottomland hardwoods to produce mast and cover for wildlife, to have value for future commercial sawlog use, and to reduce the soil erosion potential of the land. He felt that having tree cover on the planting sites was the best conservation cover possible to control soil erosion and produce a variety of environmental benefits.

