

CONSERVATION IN ACTION

LINN & BENTON COUNTIES

What To Expect

See first-hand how farmers in your area are successfully employing cover crops to improve soil health, conserve water and decrease erosion.

Several locations across Linn and Benton Counties have been identified to showcase a variety of cover crop species, seeding methods and purposes.

Self-Guided

Plan a few stops as your schedule allows, or take a day to drive the full route and check out everything that cover crops have to offer.



Learn More

Take the time to view any of the identified fields in Linn and Benton Counties to see different cover crop practices in action. The recommended viewing period is between April 1 and June 1.

For additional questions or to learn more about cost share opportunities, contact:

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View a virtual map of the tour through the QR code or visit iasoybeans.com/CoverCropTour for more info.



Participation Incentives

Take a picture of a 'Conservation in Action' field sign and present the picture at Textile TapHaus in Atkins for a discount on food or a drink!

Post pictures to "The City of Cedar Rapids" Facebook for a chance at some swag! The city will reach out to you via Facebook to claim your prize.



LOCATION INFORMATION

Stops highlighted in blue indicate opportunities to win prizes. To participate, visit one of the highlighted locations and scan the QR code on-site for a chance to win.

	Road	Between	Conservation Practice	Species	Seeding Method	Previous Crop	Seeding Rates (lbs)	Seeding Date	Primary Goal
1	E Ave	Berger Ln & Morgan Bridge Rd	Cover Crop & No Till	Annual Rye & Hairy Vetch	Aerial	Corn	25 & 5	9/7/2022	Soil Health
2	E Ave	Morgan Bridge & Sisley Grove Roads	Cover Crop & Strip Till	Cereal Rye & Winter Wheat	Drill	Soybeans	25 & 25	Mid Oct.	Erosion & Weed Control
3	E Ave	Morgan Bridge & Sisley Grove Roads	Wetland	Perennial Implementation	N/A	N/A	N/A	Finished Aug. 2022	Nutrient Removal & Flood Mitigation
4	E Ave	Sisley Grove & Benton-Linn Roads	Cover Crop	Cereal Rye & Winter Camelina	Drill	Soybeans	40 & 2	11/1/2022	Erosion Control & Soil Health
5	Sisley Grove Rd	E Ave & Ellis Rd	Cover Crop	Cereal Rye & Winter Wheat	Drill	Soybeans	25 & 25	Mid Oct.	Erosion & Weed Control
6-1	Sisley Grove Rd	E Ave & Ellis Rd	Cover Crop & No Till	Cereal Rye & Winter Wheat	Drill	Corn	25 & 25	Late Oct.	Erosion & Weed Control
6-2	Sisley Grove Rd	E Ave & Ellis Rd	Filter Strip	Perennial Implementation	Drill	N/A	N/A	N/A	Nutrient Removal Flood Mitigation
7-1	Ellis Road	Sisley Grove & Benton-Linn Roads	Cover Crop & Strip Tillage	Cereal Rye & Winter Camelina	Drill	Soybeans	40 & 2	11/1/2022	Soil Health & Erosion Control
7-2	Ellis Road	Sisley Grove & Benton-Linn Roads	Over Wintering Cash Crop	Cereal Rye	Drill	Oats	56	Early Aug.	Cash Crop & Soil Health
8	Countryman Rd	Sisley Grove & Benton-Linn Roads	Pollinator Plot	Perennial Coverage	Drill	Perennial	Various	N/A	Pollinator Habitat
9	Lone Tree Rd	Lone Tree & Young Roads	Cover Crop	Cereal Rye	Drill	Soybeans	75	10/7/2022	Cattle Grazing & Erosion Control
10-1	68th St	Linn-Benton Rd & 33rd Ave	Strip Till	N/A	N/A	Soybeans	N/A	N/A	Erosion Control & Nutrient Stabilization
10-2	68th St	Linn-Benton Rd & 33rd Ave	No Till	N/A	N/A	Corn	N/A	N/A	Erosion Control & Nutrient Stabilization
11	33rd Ave	68th & 69th Streets	Cover Crop & Strip Till	Cereal Rye & Radish	Drill	Soybeans	45 & 6	Mid Oct.	Soil Health & Erosion Control
12-1	33rd Ave	69th & 70th Streets	Cover Crop & Strip Till	Cereal Rye & Radish	Drill	Soybeans	45 & 6	Mid Oct.	Soil Health & Erosion Control
12-2	33rd Ave	69th & 70th Streets	ISA Cover Crop Plot	Multi Species Experiment	Broadcast	Soybeans	Various	9/15/2022	Testing Cover Crop Species
13-1	69th St	33rd & 32nd Avenues	Cover Crop & No Till	Cereal Rye & Radish	Drill	Corn	45 & 6	Early Nov.	Soil Health & Erosion Control
13-2	69th St	33rd & 32nd Avenues	Cover Crop	Cereal Rye	Drill	Corn	56	Early Sept.	Ryelage & Weed Control
14	70th St	32nd & 31st Avenues	Cover Crop	Rye, Oats, & Turnips	Drill	Corn	30, 30, & 1	Mid Sept.	Grazing
15	70th St	32nd & 31st Avenues	Cover Crop	Cereal Rye	Drill	Corn	56	Mid Sept.	Ryelage & Weed Control
16	33rd Ave	70th St & The City of Atkins	No Till	N/A	N/A	Corn	N/A	N/A	Erosion Control & Nutrient Stabilization

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