

# **Des Moines County Conservation**

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## New and Noteworthy

Here are a few of the highlights from the past year:

### Historic Flooding Affects Parks

Flooding in our area was exceptionally intense this year with the Mississippi River in Burlington hitting multiple record-setting crests, the highest of which was the third highest of all time, exceeded only by the Great Floods of 1993 and 2008. According to the Iowa Flood Center, Iowa ranks fourth nationally in terms of the number of presidential disaster declarations from flooding. In the past 30 years, every single county in the state has earned at least one flood-related disaster declaration, with some counties amassing as many as 17 in that time period.

Prolonged flooding this spring and early summer damaged a number of parks, only some of which have been repaired and reopened. Flash flooding on Flint Creek at the end of May inundated much of the yard area and concrete trail at Starr's Cave Nature Center. Luckily, no water got into the Nature Center itself but the creek left behind large amounts of silt in the parking area and along the trails. The high water also carried off the picnic tables and recycling bin from the shelter house. Once the water went down, DMCC staff cleared the trails and parking area. A day later, roughly 30 volunteers took to the trails at Starr's Cave for the National Trails Day event during which they cleaned the trails, cut back brush, recovered the tables, built bridges, and improved trail surfacing. Today, other than some piles of sand and silt piled along the edges, the trails at Starr's Cave are open and ready for use.

Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for a large segment of the Flint River Trail near 155th Ave at Hickory Bend Conservation Area. There, the force of Flint Creek stripped the trail of most of its surfacing and even a fair bit of its base rock, leaving a rough, nearly impassible stretch of trail that will have to be completely rebuilt. The timeline for doing so is still uncertain as the county works with FEMA and other agencies on possible recovery funding.

Recovery funding is also the operative question for Maple Loop at Welter Recreation Area along the Skunk River. All three loops (Sycamore, Maple, and Cottonwood) were inundated to varying degrees by repeated flooding of the Skunk. Sycamore Loop, the area's main campground, sustained minor damage from siltation and a tree coming down on a power line but that area has been repaired and opened once again to campers. Cottonwood Loop sustained minor siltation as well but not enough to force its continued closure. That area is a day-use only area, providing river access through a graveled boat ramp. However, Maple Loop, the area's only other loop offering primitive campsites, sustained major damage and will remain closed for the foreseeable future. Receding flood waters gouged out a large section of the main road along the riverfront, stripped surfacing from a number of the camp pads and left behind large amounts of silt on the rest of it. Repairs will be expensive and time-consuming and the department is grappling with whether the investment would be warranted considering how little the area gets used and how often it floods.



## Big Hollow Gets a Playground

Building on the major campground renovations from last year, we continued improving Big Hollow Recreation Area this past year with the installation of a playground and a new pond.

The playground structure sits right in the middle of the campground. It's a wooden structure with swings and slides and climbers designed and built by Bears Playgrounds. Interestingly, a playground hadn't been part of our capital improvement plan until strong public demand – and a number of monetary donations – put it on the priority list. By fall of 2018, enough money had been donated to use as a match for a Wellmark Grant that provided the remainder of the funding needed to not only purchase the playground structure, but to also have it installed. Since then, it's been a very popular attraction.



Contributors to the project include The Wellmark Foundation, Optimists Club of Burlington/West Burlington, USG, Burlington Kiwanis, Janet Bell Memorial and Jeff & Kay Breuer.

## Big Hollow Watershed Project Secures Funding

For a few years now, staff from DMCC, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), the Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS), and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) have been working behind the scenes doing research and assessments in the watershed that feeds Big Hollow Lake. This year, that work culminated in securing multiple grants to improve water quality in the lake. One grant will fund the development of a comprehensive watershed plan. That plan will be developed over the coming 24 months or so. The other was a Fish Habitat Grant that funded the construction of a pond near the Big Hollow campground that will catch runoff where gully erosion was occurring at the head of a drainage. The pond was constructed in summer of 2019 and will be stocked with fish once it fills with water. Not only will it help improve water quality in the lake by capturing sediment and runoff, it will also serve as a handy fishing site for campers and other park visitors.





# John H. Witte Observatory Complex

Observatory Open = 45 times for Public and Private Viewing

Clark Telescope Open = 166 hours

Other Telescopes Open = 111 hours

Guests = 930

Volunteer Hours = 670

Weather: Cloudy and Raining Fall 2018 and Spring 2019

Private Groups:

- Dark Wings Starr's Cave
- Girl Scouts (3)
- Boy Scouts (3)
- Families (4)
- Church Affl. (5)
- SCC Science Club
- BHS Astronomy Club
- SCC Astronomy Class
- West Burlington Science Club

Volunteer hours (670) included:

- Public Viewing & Private Groups
- Lighting revamp @ Witte Classroom/Meeting Room
- Grounds updating
- Prugh/Carver Roll Off rehab
- Brochure revision



Park Usage By Year - Number of People Camping						
Campground	FY13/14	FY14/15	FY15/16	FY16/17	FY17/18	FY18/19
Sycamore Loop*	669	768	866	1099	583	287
Maple Loop*	231	238	395	349	259	48
4 <sup>th</sup> Pumping Station	714	813	1,027	1,105	956	778
Big Hollow**	1,759	2,000	2,263	2,963	3,386	3,975
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,373</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,551</b>	<b>5,516</b>	<b>5,184</b>	<b>5,088</b>

\* Due to flooding, the Sycamore and Maple loops were closed for several months. \*\*Includes the off-grid cabin

# Outdoor Recreation

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## Shooting Range Use By Month

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
FY11/12	212	303	419	371	324	304	195	197	390	480	383	394	3,972
FY12/13	323	361	489	236	282	209	180	148	197	247	209	358	3,239
FY13/14	372	423	367	296	213	216	109	34	253	289	287	286	3,145
FY14/15	349	354	330	261	238	235	148	68	282	249	310	274	3,098
FY15/16	382	354	350	289	204	271	179	181	293	277	287	358	3,425
FY16/17	336	293	365	350	342	226	159	209	317	288	409	380	3,674
FY17/18	372	317	350	331	370	147	138	154	293	269	311	285	3,337
FY18/19	373	280	285	266	203	291	90	81	215	194	196	200	2,674

## Trails

Park / Area	Miles of off-road Trails
Big Hollow	10.3
Flint River Trail	7.7
Hunt Woods	2.3
Luckenbill Woods	2.2
North Gorge Trail	1.5
Sarr's Cave	3.7
Total: 29.9 miles	

## Range Membership

FY	Life Members	Family	Single	Total Paid
FY11/12	2	208	332	725
FY12/13	2	299	410	885
FY13/14	2	375	242	799
FY14/15	2	436	378	816
FY15/16	3	421	400	824
FY16/17	3	418	513	931
FY17/18	3	486	392	881
FY18 / 19	3	442	352	797

# Parks & Trails

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## Big Hollow Recreation Area

18853 152nd Ave, Sperry  
798 acres



## Leopold Recreation Area

11816 Mill Dam Rd, Burlington  
235 Acres



## Starr's Cave Nature Center & Preserve

11627 Starr's Cave Rd, Burlington  
184 acres



## Hickory Bend Conservation Area

16256 155th Ave, Sperry  
240 acres



## Welter Recreation Area

16839 Skunk River Rd, Burlington  
79 acres



## Luckenbill Woods

8795 Hawkeye Rd, Mediapolis  
76 acres



## Hunt Woods

12412 65th St, Burlington  
58 acres



## Kevin J Gahn Memorial Recreation Area

13724 Washington Rd, Burlington  
56 acres, Public access is limited



## FEMA Buyout Properties

57 Parcels, No public Access  
102 acres

## Sullivan Slough River Access

3175 Sullivan Slough Rd, Burlington  
22 acres



## 4th Pumping Plant Recreation Area

2073 Pumping Station Rd, Oakville  
17 acres



## Chautauqua Roadside Park

10530 Mediapolis Rd, Mediapolis  
10 acres



## Hawkeye Dolbee River Access

4629 Lake Rd, Oakville  
10 acres



## Tama Beach River Access

13518 Tama Rd, Burlington  
3 acres



## Casey Barrow River Access

1867 180th St, Burlington  
2 acres



## Waters Roadside Park

19364 Roosevelt St, Danville  
2 acres



## Edgewater Beach River Access

13290 Tama Rd, Burlington  
1 acre



## Zion School

16495 155th Ave, Sperry  
1 acre



## Hoover Trail

End of Y Camp Rd, Burlington  
30 acres



## North Gorge Trail

9668 Golf Course Rd, Burlington  
36 acres



## Harold and Mildred Linder Conservation Area

3807 170th St, Sperry  
105 acres



## Legend

- Camping
- Hunting
- Mississippi River Access
- Swimming
- Boat Access
- Picnic Area
- Shelter Houses
- Dump Station
- Restrooms
- Fishing
- Hiking
- Bike Trails
- Electrical Hook-Ups
- Water



# Land Stewardship

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## LAND STEWARDSHIP

Des Moines County Conservation applies sound land stewardship efforts on both public and private land throughout the county. From contracted planting services to landowner technical assistance, DMCC's land stewardship efforts are broad and diverse. Here are highlights of DMCC's land stewardship efforts in fiscal year 2018-2019.

### Private Land

- 71 acres of cool season grasses planted
- 14.6 acres of native grasses planted
- 43.20 acres of prescribed burns

### Public Land

- 25 acres of food plots planted
- 2 acres native waterway planted
- 39 acres of prescribed burns

### Projects

11 acres of brush mowed out of Perimeter Trail prairies  
6 acres of teasel cut, removed, and treated  
Approx. 2 acre pond built, seeded, and strawed  
2 acres of thistle sprayed  
2 acre wetland drained, sorghum broadcasted within it  
844.98 total acres of forest reserve inspected  
20 nights (and continuing) of bat acoustic sampling  
>10,000 acoustic recordings of bats and growing daily  
Identification of threatened and endangered bats on public land  
Implementation of the first DMCC Roadside Pheasant Survey  
79 wood duck boxes checked and logged  
8 new wood duck boxes added  
14 bat boxes added  
50 bluebird boxes checked and logged



## ENVIRONMENTAL/CONSERVATION EDUCATION PROGRAM

### Activities of the EE Program Staff

JULY 2018 – JUNE 2019

### Programs, Events, and Services

Starr's Cave Nature Center has continued to expand and evolve its operations and programming over the last fiscal year. In January we wrapped up our REAP CEP grant and submitted the final report. This CEP grant helped create new exhibits and programs for the Nature Center regarding Iowa's water quality and pollinators. 146 programs were presented to 2,739 students over the course of the grant period. Today the REAP CEP programs "Who Polluted the Mississippi," "Bee a Pollinator," and "Where Did My Soil Go?" are three of our most popular classroom programs.

Starr's Cave Nature Center is currently finishing its first semester hosting an AmeriCorps member. SCNC was selected as a host site for a new AmeriCorps 4-H Environmental Education program. Jessica Johnson was selected to serve in the new position and was tasked with delivering environmental education curriculum consistent with Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and that fit into the DMCC's Three-Point approach. Program successes include (but are not limited to): 33 programs presented over the winter/spring semester reaching a total of 1,684 students; Third, fifth, and eighth grade curriculum development with NGSS for both classroom and fieldtrip programs; One public program regarding the impacts of climate change in Iowa, and the development of a middle school environmental club. We are extremely happy with the success of our AmeriCorps member and their ability to expand our program capacity. The overall success of this program is due to the commitment, determination, and hard work of our AmeriCorps member and their service to Des Moines County Conservation. We feel that this is a valuable program that enables us to continue the expansion of our environmental education throughout Des Moines County.

Because of the continued support and funding from the Burlington Kiwanis group we were able to expand our summer programming again this year. This support along with additional funding from the Kate Svitek Memorial Foundation has allowed SCNC to develop and offer new offsite programs for area teens. In cooperation with the United States Forest Service (USFS) and the San Juan Mountains Association (SJMA), Des Moines County Conservation is leading a two-week backpacking trip for area high school students to the South San Juan Wilderness in Colorado. We are offering this trip to give students experiences in nature they could never experience in Iowa and to stimulate their minds in what the world has to offer. Through this experience, we hope to alter the way our students conceive wilderness and how they perceive their relationship to it.

We also continue to offer several annual environmental education opportunities and services to the public. Our annual programs include an owl prowl, eagle watch, parent-tot classes, science expo, Critter Catch, Nature at Night, All About Monarchs, open climbing wall days, cross country ski rentals, youth ice fishing clinics, the Youth Jamboree, summer day camps, and Paddle in the Park. The Nature Center is available to the public for rental; we also open the facilities to local civic groups for monthly meetings and classes.



# Conservation Education

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## Program Numbers

This year we provided 462 educational programs throughout the Fiscal Year to 9,431 participants.

The EE highlight this last year has been the development of our wilderness program.

### Program and Participant Analysis

	Programs		Participants	
	# of Programs	+/- change from previous FY	# of Participants	+/- change from previous FY
<b>Preschool – K</b>	67	21	1,444	-162
<b>1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	82	63	1,842	710
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup></b>	138	119	2,523	-174
<b>6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup></b>	21	14	384	-140
<b>9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup></b>	10	7	225	80
<b>Home Schools</b>	12	4	291	57
<b>Care Centers</b>	1	-5	12	-120
<b>Youth Groups</b>	20	-1	440	27
<b>Civic Groups</b>	3	1	46	5
<b>Public</b>	41	13	1,629	-1254
<b>Professional Training</b>	3	2	262	-38
<b>Hunter/Range Safety</b>	5	-1	25	-301
<b>Camps</b>	58	21	258	-279
<b>Volunteers</b>	1	1	50	50
<b>Totals</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>259 *</b>	<b>9,431</b>	<b>-1,539 *</b>

### Starr's Cave Nature Center Visitation

Type of visitation	FY 11-12	FY 12-13	FY 13-14	FY 14-15	FY 15-16	FY 16-17	FY 17-18
Attending a Program	3,580	3,252	5,706	6,116	5,116	5,000	5,121
Renting the Building	1,635	1,465	1,850	2,263	2,000	2,000	2,500
Casual Visitation	2,315	2,532	3,067	5,263	4,263	9,595	8,743
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7,530</b>	<b>7,249</b>	<b>10,623</b>	<b>13,642</b>	<b>11,379</b>	<b>16,595</b>	<b>16,364</b>

\*Note: Individual classroom programs are now being recorded as one program.



Top Left: Finished construction of the Starr's Cave portion of the Flint River Trail  
Top Right: Paddle in the Park at Big Hollow



Top Left: Classroom EE Program  
Top Right: Critter Catch at Big Hollow  
Lower Left: Rock Climbing at SCNC  
Lower Right: Habitat improvement at Big Hollow





# Financial Statement

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## General Basic Fund Revenues

Account	Revenues
0001-1-22-6110-412000 BOAT TITLES	\$1,265.00
0001-1-22-6110-520031 CAMP FEES-AREA 1 LOWER AUGUSTA	\$3,585.00
0001-1-22-6110-520037 CAMP FEES-WELTER REC PARK	\$300.00
0001-1-22-6110-520039 CAMP FEES-4TH PUMPING PLANT REC	\$11,792.75
0001-1-22-6110-523045 REC FACILITY RENT-STARR'S CAVE N	\$360.00
0001-1-22-6110-523047 REC FACILITY RENT-SHELTERS	\$65.00
0001-3-22-6110-847000 MISCELLANEOUS REIMB	\$724.41
0023-2-22-6110-920000 SALES OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	\$38,071.25
<b>Total - General Basic Revenues</b>	<b>\$56,163.41</b>

## REAP Fund

Account	Revenues
0023-2-22-6110-846067 REAP GRANTS-CONTR-EQUAL SHARE	\$6,125.00
0023-2-22-6110-846067 REAP GRANTS-PER CAPITA	\$7,943.00
0023-4-22-6110-600000 INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	\$161.54
<b>Total - REAP</b>	<b>\$14,229.54</b>

## Conservation Reserve Fund

Account	Revenues
0027-1-22-6110-265000 MISCELLANEOUS OR OTHER GRANTS	\$27,929.40
0027-1-22-6110-441021 SHOOTING RANGE CERT-NEW	\$4,270.00
0027-1-22-6110-441022 SHOOTING RANGE CERT-RENEWALS	\$16,540.00
0027-1-22-6110-520000 CABIN RENTALS	\$3,040.00
0027-1-22-6110-520038 CAMP FEES-BIG HOLLOW CREEK	\$78,794.38
0027-1-22-6110-520041 CAMP FEES-MISC RELATED TO CAMP	\$127.00
0027-1-22-6110-523044 REC FACILITY RENT-SHOOTING RANGE	\$40.00
0027-1-22-6110-523047 REC FACILITY RENT-SHELTERS	\$525.00
0027-1-22-6110-847064 MISC REIMB-PLANTING SERVICES	\$22,720.15
0027-1-22-6120-529000 PROGRAM FEES	\$15,969.38
0027-1-22-6120-810000 DONATION	\$25,813.10
0027-3-22-6110-920000 SALE OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	\$9,000.00
<b>Total -</b>	<b>\$204,768.41</b>



## General Basic

Account	Adjusted Appropriation	Expenditures	% REM.	Balance
0001-22-0210-000-42360 CONSULTATIONS & SURVEYS	2,000.00	2,757.00	-37.85	-757.00
0001-22-6100-000-10010 ADMINISTRATORS/EXEC DIRECTOR	61,576.00	60,391.91	1.92	1,184.09
0001-22-6100-000-10050 CORR OFF/P RNGR/OFC MGR/CIV ATTY	37,630.00	36,906.41	1.92	723.59
0001-22-6100-000-10200 LONGEVITY	2,780.00	2,780.00	100	0.00
0001-22-6100-000-12600 CONSERVATION BOARD	500.00	225.62	54.88	274.38
0001-22-6100-000-26000 OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,000.00	949.60	52.52	1050.40
0001-22-6100-000-26100 MAGAZINES/PERIODICALS & BOOKS	300.00	324.61	-8.2	-24.61
0001-22-6100-000-26200 DATA PROCESSING SUPPLIES	2,500.00	2,755.61	-10.22	-255.61
0001-22-6100-000-29400 WEARING APPAREL & UNIFORMS	2,400.00	2,170.52	9.56	229.48
0001-22-6100-000-40000 OFC PUBLICATIONS & LEGAL NOTICES	600.00	469.43	21.76	130.57
0001-22-6100-000-40200 TYPE PRINT & BIND SERVICES	500.00	857.19	-71.44	-357.19
0001-22-6100-000-41200 POSTAGE & MAILING	200.00	2757.33	-1,278.67	-2,557.33
0001-22-6100-000-41400 TELECOMMUNICATIONS SRVS	7,000.00	9,016.36	-28.81	-2016.36
0001-22-6100-000-42210 SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION	5,000.00	7,591.40	-51.83	-2,591.40
0001-22-6100-000-44400 OFC & DATA P EQUIP REPR/MAINT	2,000.00	403.49	79.83	1,596.51
0001-22-6100-000-48000 DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	3,700.00	3,649.86	1.36	50.14
0001-22-6110-000-10030 NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGER	42,219.00	28,075.35	33.61	14,215.65
0001-22-6110-000-10050 CORR OFF/P RNGR/CIV ATTY	93,433.00	93,764.08	-.35	-331.08
0001-22-6110-000-10070 PARK TECHNICIANS	38,613.00	38,613.12	0.00	-.12
0001-22-6110-000-10100 TEMPORARY & PART TIME	20,816.00	18,019.50	13.43	2,796.50
0001-22-6110-000-10200 LONGEVITY	5,960.00	5,276.69	11.46	683.31
0001-22-6110-000-20200 CHEMICALS & GASES/HERBICIDES	1,000.00	171.00	82.90	829.00
0001-22-6110-000-20300 FERTILIZER & SEED	1,000.00	335.97	66.40	664.03
0001-22-6110-000-20400 TREES & SHRUBS	500.00	0.00	100.00	500.00
0001-22-6110-000-21210 PARKS - ROCK & SAND	8,000.00	6,015.99	24.80	1,984.01
0001-22-6110-000-21400 TRAFFIC & ST SIGN MATERIALS	2,000.00	2,754.14	-37.71	-754.14
0001-22-6110-000-21910 PARKS - ALL OTHER EXPENSES	16,500.00	18,817.77	-14.05	-2317.77
0001-22-6110-000-23210 PARKS - CUSTODIAL	3,000.00	3,368.55	-12.29	-368.55
0001-22-6110-000-24000 NON-MV MACH & EQUIP HARDWARE	1,500.00	560.23	62.65	939.77
0001-22-6110-000-25000 FUELS	18,000.00	16,086.70	10.63	1,913.30
0001-22-6110-000-25100 LUBRICANTS	1,500.00	671.44	55.24	828.56
0001-22-6110-000-25400 MINOR MV PARTS & ACCESSORIES	500.00	773.61	-54.72	-273.61
0001-22-6110-000-29000 MINOR EQUIPMENT & HAND TOOLS	1,000.00	2,013.15	-101.32	-1,013.15
0001-22-6110-000-29300 SAFETY & PROTECTIVE SUPPLIES	2,000.00	3,004.91	-50.25	-1,004.91
0001-22-6110-000-29302 LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPLIES	1,500.00	1,581.37	-5.42	-81.37
0001-22-6110-000-42212 LAW ENFORCEMENT SCHOOL OF INST	500.00	130.00	74.00	370.00
0001-22-6110-000-43000 NATURAL & LP GAS	3,000.00	6,380.15	-112.67	-3,380.15
0001-22-6110-000-43110 PARKS - ELECTRICITY	18,000.00	22,547.62	-25.26	-4,547.62
0001-22-6110-000-43200 WATER USE	3,700.00	3,725.20	-0.68	-25.20
0001-22-6110-000-44000 MOTOR VEH EQUIP REPAIR/MAINT	7,000.00	7,406.93	-5.81	-406.93

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Account	Adjusted Appropriation	Expenditures	% REM.	Balance
0001-22-6110-000-44110 PARKS - BUILDING REPAIRS	3,000.00	5,079.04	-69.30	-2,079.04
0001-22-6110-000-44300 OPER & CONSTR EQUIP REPAIR/MAINT	6,000.00	8,761.09	-46.02	-2,761.09
0001-22-6110-000-44711 LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	25.98	97.40	974.02
0001-22-6110-000-48320 CONTRACT MOWING	26,350.00	21,955.00	16.68	4,395.00
0001-22-6110-000-63700 SHOP EQUIPMENT	39,000.00	36,945.79	5.27	2,054.21
0001-22-6120-000-10070 NATURALIST/PARK TECH/RD BIOLGIS	42,291.00	42,291.08	0.00	-0.08
0001-22-6120-000-10090 OTHER/LT	38,485.00	36,144.64	6.08	2,340.36
0001-22-6120-000-10100 TEMPORARY & PART TIME	5,000.00	5,481.25	-9.63	-481.25
0001-22-6120-000-10200 LONGEVITY	2,480.00	1,990.00	19.76	490.00
0001-22-6120-000-29200 RECREATIONAL SUPPLIES	1,000.00	1,023.97	-2.40	-23.97
0001-22-6120-000-29520 DEVELOPMENT/MATERIALS	1,000.00	993.89	.061	6.11
0001-22-6120-000-29700 EE PROGRAM SUPPLIES	1,200.00	2,206.42	-83.87	-1,006.42
0001-22-6120-000-40220 BROCHURES/PAMPHLETS	2,000.00	1,152.20	42.39	847.80
0001-22-6120-000-42940 MARKETING SERVICES	4,000.00	6,375.62	-59.39	-2,375.62
0001-22-6120-000-63830 EE EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	1,097.75	-9.78	-97.75
<b>Total - General Basic</b>	<b>595,805.00</b>	<b>585,302.53</b>	<b>1.76</b>	<b>10,502.47</b>

## General Supplemental

Account	Adjusted Appropriation	Expenditures	% REM.	Balance
0002-22-6100-000-11000 FICA	7,589.00	7,598.95	-0.13	-9.95
0002-22-6100-000-11100 IPERS	9,365.00	9,447.53	-0.88	-82.53
0002-22-6100-000-11300 GROUP INSURANCE	43,848.48	43,575.48	0.62	272.52
0002-22-6110-000-11000 FICA	14,952.00	13,827.32	7.52	1,124.68
0002-22-6110-000-11100 IPERS	17,403.00	16,376.69	5.90	1,026.31
0002-22-6110-000-11300 GROUP INSURANCE	87,696.00	70,172.10	19.98	17,523.90
0002-22-6120-000-11000 FICA	6,585.00	6,626.45	-0.63	-41.45
0002-22-6120-000-11100 IPERS	7,625.00	7,592.13	0.43	32.87
0002-22-6120-000-11300 GROUP INSURANCE	43,848.00	30,042.02	31.49	13,805.98
<b>Total - General Supplemental</b>	<b>238,911.00</b>	<b>205,258.67</b>	<b>14.09</b>	<b>33,652.33</b>

## Conservation Reserve

Account	Adjusted Appropriation	Expenditures	% REM.	Balance
0027-22-0220-000-61050 STARR'S CAVE NATURE CENTER	6,000.00	0.00	100.00	6,000.00
0027-22-0220-000-62810 BHCRA/PERM IMPROVEMENTS	21,814.00	24,863.00	-13.98	-3,049.00
0027-22-6110-000-10100 TEMPORARY & PART TIME	11,544.00	8,158.19	29.33	3,385.81
0027-22-6110-000-21910 PARKS	76,820.00	79,419.49	-3.38	-2,599.49
0027-22-6120-000-10100 TEMPORARY & PART TIME	15,000.00	10,772.71	28.18	4,227.29
0027-22-6120-000-29700 EE PROGRAM SUPPLIES	10,000.00	16,456.38	-64.56	-6,456.38
<b>Total - Conservation Reserve</b>	<b>141,178.00</b>	<b>139,619.77</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>1,558.23</b>

# Employee Directory

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## Employee Directory

Position	Employee	Work Address	Phone(s)
<b>Director</b>	Chris Lee	<b>Main Office</b> 13700 Washington Rd. West Burlington, IA 52655 leec@dmcounty.com	(319) 753-8260 (319) 572-1564
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Jeff Breuer	<b>Main Office</b> 13700 Washington Rd. West Burlington, IA 52655 breuerj@dmcounty.com	(319) 753-8260
<b>Park Ranger</b>	Pat Rogge	<b>Maintenance Shops</b> 18836 Ranger Ln. Sperry, IA 52650 roggep@dmcounty.com	(319) 985-2502 (319) 759-4779
<b>Park Ranger</b>	John Mercer	<b>Maintenance Shops</b> 18836 Ranger Ln. Sperry, IA 52650 mercerv@dmcounty.com	(319) 985-2502 (319) 572-5445
<b>Natural Resource Manager</b>	Erik Murry	<b>Maintenance Shops</b> 18836 Ranger Ln. Sperry, IA 52650 murrye@dmcounty.com	(319) 985-2502 (319) 572-6865
<b>Conservation Technician</b>	Tanner Grimm	<b>Maintenance Shops</b> 18836 Ranger Ln. Sperry, IA 52650 grimmmt@dmcounty.com	(319) 985-2502 (319) 572-8057
<b>Environmental Education/Public Relations Coordinator</b>	Kent Rector	<b>Starr's Cave Nature Center</b> 11627 Starr's Cave Rd. Burlington, IA 52601 rectork@dmcounty.com	(319) 753-5808 (319) 768-8057
<b>Naturalist</b>	Kelly Rundell	<b>Starr's Cave Nature Center</b> 11627 Starr's Cave Rd. Burlington, IA 52601 rundellk@dmcounty.com	(319) 753-5808 (319) 572-0474



# Board Member Directory

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## Board Member Directory

Position	Name	Term Expires
Chair	Cathy Ziglar	12/30/2019
Vice-Chair	James Garnjobst	12/31/2021
Secretary/Treasurer	Bob Hansen	12/31/2022
Member	Julie Solinski	12/31/2020
Member	Matthew Haas*	12/31/2023

\* Replaced Jim Steer (Term expiration)

## Conservation Board Meetings

- July 3, 2018
- August 1, 2018
- September 5, 2018
- October 3, 2018
- November 7, 2018
- December 5, 2018
- January 2, 2019
- February 13, 2019
- March 6, 2019
- April 3, 2019
- May 1, 2019
- June 12, 2019

Big Hollow





## **Des Moines County Conservation**

### ***Mission Statement***

"Des Moines County Conservation is dedicated to the sustainability of natural resources through land stewardship, conservation education, and by providing quality outdoor recreation opportunities."