



Scott WMO among finalists for 2010 Environmental Initiative Award

Virgil Pint, Scott Watershed Planning Commission member, (left) and Troy Kuphal, Scott Soil and Water Conservation District Manager, attended the 2010 Environmental Initiative Awards Banquet recently where the Scott Watershed Management Organization (WMO) was honored as a finalist. The award recognized the Scott WMO for its outstanding efforts in protecting and restoring natural resources and its unique partnerships with seven different agencies and 165 landowners over the past five years. Through its cost-share and incentive program, the Scott WMO has helped implement more than 200 land and water conservation projects, preventing an estimated 5,275 tons of sediment and 7,380 pounds of phosphorus annually from entering lakes, rivers and streams in Scott County. Of the 50 applicants, the Scott WMO was the only watershed organization chosen as a finalist. The annual awards banquet was held at the Nicollet Island Pavillion on May 27.