

# Le Sueur County Soil & Water Conservation District

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## Le Sueur County Ditch Specialist Budget Proposal Change

(Went to the Board on 7/17/2018)

In 2017, the County Board approved \$30,000 from the County Ditch Budget and \$32,000 from the Riparian Aid Buffer Enforcement funds to create the Ditch Specialist position in the SWCD Office.

### 2017 Proposed Budget prior to hiring:

Salary: \$20.35 @ 2080 hours	= \$42,328.00
Cafeteria Plan:	= \$10,176.00
Medicare: 1.45%	= \$614.00
PERA: 7.5%	= \$3,175.00
Social Security: 6.2%	= \$2,624.00
<b>Total Position Cost:</b>	<b>= \$58,917.00</b>

After hiring, and starting to plan for 2019 budget, the current budget is short \$9,000 (mostly due from our original Ditch Specialist budget did not include the family health care package which increases the budget \$7,000 more than a single coverage plan).

### 2019 Proposed Budget is as follows:

#### 2019 Budget:

Salary: \$22.61 @ 2080 hours	= \$47,028.80
Cafeteria Plan:	= \$16,800
Medicare: 1.45%	= \$681.92
PERA: 7.5% @	= \$3527.16
Social Security: 6.2%	= \$2915.79
<b>Total Position Cost:</b>	<b>= \$70,953.66</b>

I would like to request an increase to the Ditch Specialist budget by increasing the County Ditch allocation to \$36,000 (an additional \$6,000) and the Riparian Aid Buffer Enforcement amount to \$36,000 (an additional \$4,000). The additional funds will compensate for the extra health care costs and pay increase since hiring.

The Riparian Aid budget will have \$114,989 after the 2018 payments are made from the state.

**This budget was never formally approved by the Commissioners as it was requested to be moved to budget committee**

Update 7/17/2020 (Was requested that Board action be made by Auditors Office)

### 2021 Proposed Budget:

Salary: \$24.51	= \$50,981
Cafeteria Plan:	= \$16,800
Medicare: 1.45%	= \$739.22
PERA: 7.5% @	= \$3,823.58
Social Security: 6.2%	= \$3,160.82
<b>Total Position Cost:</b>	<b>= \$75,504.62</b>

I would like to request an increase to the Ditch Specialist budget by increasing the County Ditch allocation to \$36,000 (an additional \$6,000) and the Riparian Aid Buffer Enforcement amount to \$36,000 (an additional \$4,000) retroactively for 2020, and moving forward for the 2021 budget use \$37,800 for the County Ditch allocation and \$37,800 for the Riparian Aid Buffer Enforcement allocation.