

Rain Garden Project ~ Summer 2008



Rain gardens are becoming increasingly popular in the home & business landscape. A rain garden is a natural or dug shallow depression designed to capture and soak up storm water runoff from your roof or other impervious area around your home including driveways, walkways, and compacted lawn areas. They can be used as a buffer to shoreline areas and storm sewer inlets to capture runoff from the landscape before it enters a lake, pond or river.

In 2008, Lyon SWCD applied for and received funding through the Resource Conservation & Development Council and the Lyon County Water Plan Implementation funds to install a demonstration and promotional rain garden on the Lyon County Fairgrounds. This project was done in partnership with Lyon County.

The area was viewed during the August tour of the SWCD and received very good comments from the County Commissioners, Legislatures and citizens that attended.



SWCD Tour ~ August 2008



Completed rain garden August 2008

Funding Provided by:

Grants applied for by Lyon Soil & Water Conservation District and received from:
Coteau Des Prairie Resource Conservation & Development Council (RC&D)
Lyon County Comprehensive Water Plan

Survey & Design of Area:

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) of Lyon County

Design of the location of and plant recommendations:

Lyon County Master Gardener ~ Diane Schmitt

Volunteer work and equipment supplied by:

Lyon Soil & Water Conservation District

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Lyon County Park staff

Lyon County Staff

Lyon County Master Gardeners

Lyon County Probation and Sentence to Serve

