Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report To Papio-Missouri River NRD Board February 10, 2011 Neil Jensen, District Conservationist



## **General EQIP Funding**

NRCS has received its initial allocation within the district of \$283,672. This is slightly higher than 2010. We have over 1.4 million in requests for cost-share assistance.

How will initial allocation of funds be used within the district?

- Erosion control by installing terraces with underground outlets
- Grazing improvements on pastures by installing cross fences, watering facilities and brush management

Other applications received will be funded through separate accounts.

- Animal Feeding Operations
- High Tunnels



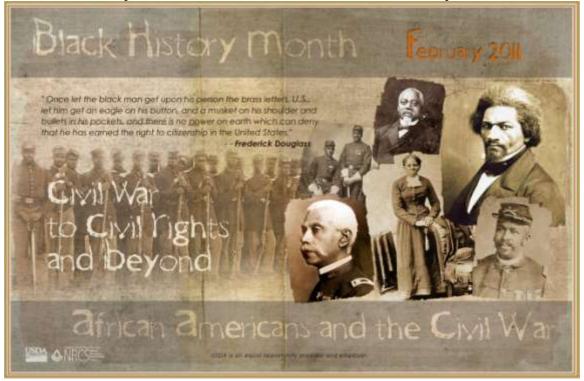
## Nebraska Wetlands Reserve Program Application Cut-off Set for March 1

The Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) is a voluntary program to restore wetlands. Participating landowners can establish conservation easements of either permanent or 30-year duration,

or can enter into restoration cost-share agreements where no easement is involved. Easements and restoration cost-share agreements establish wetland protection and restoration as the primary land use for the duration of the easement or agreement. In all instances, landowners continue to control access to their land.

## February is National Black History Month

"African Americans and the Civil War" is the theme for this year's Black History Month. The annual event highlights past and present contributions by African Americans to American history.



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