

## **Lake Erie Protection Fund – SG 235-04**

### **Henry SWCD**

### **Final Report**

#### **Overview of Work**

The Henry SWCD had a very successful effort in reducing soil runoff in Henry County this past fall. We had 13 farmers rent our Dyna-Master and tractor this late summer and fall. Those 13 farmers covered 809 acres. These are very good numbers as we had a very wet fall. The wet fall reduced our acreage use on the Dyna-Master, as there were 10 more farmers on our list who wanted to use it. The SWCD would not have been able to cover this many farmers and acres without the assistance from the grant.

#### **Public Outreach**

We promoted our program through our newsletter, the local newspaper (Northwest Signal) and two radio programs on WNDH 103.1.

#### **Long Term Benefits**

The Henry SWCD continues to strive to work with farmers and agricultural leaders to bring them new and innovative conservation equipment. By renting out new conservation tillage equipment we are increasing conservation tillage acres in the county. Two producers have expressed an interest in purchasing a Dyna-Master or similar tillage equipment. The permanent switch to a conservation tillage practice will have long-standing benefits for the land and the water resources in Henry County, as well as downstream in Lake Erie.