# Summer Internship with Licking County SWCD

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#### Main Accomplishments

- Researching and reporting on the history of the Second Frontier, which
  focused on the sustainable agriculture movement in response to the Dust
  Bowl. This will be celebrated through a Historical Marker as well as
  providing information on the website about it.
- Providing information to different farms throughout Licking County on applying for Ohio Historic Family Farm status.
- Site visits and field workers with the different staff members to learn more about water quality testing, site inspections, and stormwater management.

### Acquired Skills

- ArcGIS
- Archival Methods
- Stormwater Management
- Flood Planning for residential and industrial developments
- Environmental Education
- Water Quality Testing

#### Post-Graduation Plans

- Urban Planning with a focus on Sustainability
  - Finding innovative ways to co-exist with life for us and the future generations
- Master's program for City and Regional Planning
- Micro-Farming for Cities
- Environmental Surveyor for Historic Sites
- Climate Resiliency Planning

## Thank you!

Thank you to Licking County Soil and Water Conservation District for having me as well as MORPC for hosting me. It has been a great summer to learn the ins-and-outs of stormwater management as well as helping with collecting the history of sustainable agriculture in Ohio.