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OXFORD, IA – The Johnson County Conservation was recently honored at the 2016 Fall Iowa Association of County Conservation Boards Conference held in Hamilton and Webster Counties. At the conference it was announced that the Johnson County Conservation Board was the 2016 Izaak Walton League of America Iowa Division Habitat Improvement 1st Place Award Winner. JCCB President Larry Wilson was in attendance to accept the award on behalf of the Conservation Board and Staff.

County conservation boards from across Iowa submit applications summarizing their efforts in habitat development, management and promotion. Counties are judged according to their population base, with counties under 20,000 competing against each other and counties great than 20,000 doing the same. The Johnson County Conservation has finished as high as 3rd place on numerous occasions, but 2016 proved to be an exceptional year for the JCCB. This is the 42nd year of the of partnership with the Iowa Chapter of Izaak Walton League of America in recognizing the outstanding habitat improvement provided by CCBs. Habitat development and management is essential to ecosystem health and the recreational opportunities it provides. From providing plants for pollinators, to nesting cover for song birds, or fishing opportunities, habitat is vital. The Johnson County Conservation Board and Staff are honored to receive this award and are dedicated to continue to create and maintain quality wildlife habitat for Johnson County.

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