WEAKLEY COUNTY
SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Dresden, Tennessee
December 31, 1965

To: The Honorable Judge Cayce Pentecost and
Members of the Weakley County Court

The supervisors of the Weakley County Soil Conservation District make the following brief summary of the principal activities and accomplishments of the District during the year 1965:

1. The District now has 2,257 cooperating farmers with an acreage of 223,570. This is an increase during 1965 of 31 farmers with 2,969 acres of land.

2. During 1965 there have been approximately 21 Soil Conservation Service employees working with the Weakley County Soil Conservation District, with an estimated annual payroll of $ 77,958.

3. Conservation practices carried out during 1965 included:

Pasture and Hayland Planting	-	1,070 Acs.
Pond Construction	-	41
Contour Farming	-	1,012 acs.
Cover Crops	-	933 Acs.
Conservation Cropping	-	2,376 Acs.
Tree Planting	-	167 Acs.
Critical Area Planting	-	99 Acs.
Diversion terraces	-	3,300 Ft.
Sod Waterways	-	16 Acs.
Fishpond Stocking	-	118
Wildlife Area Development	-	29 Acs.
Roadbank Stabilization	-	8 Acs.
Woodland Improvement	-	39 Acs.
Floodwater Retarding Structures	-	6
Gully Stabilizers	-	6

4. The District participated in the ASC program in furnishing technical assistance in servicing 100 referrals for surveys, supervision of construction, and approval of permanent-type soil conservation practices.

5. The District continued to sponsor the small watershed program under the provisions of Public Law #566.
The status of each of the six organized watersheds in Weakley County, comprising approximately three-fourths of the land area in the county, is as follows:

THOMPSON CREEK: Original Work Plan is complete with three floodwater retarding structures and 17 miles of channel improvement.
During the year two additional structures have been built at a contracted cost of $ 73,708.85.
Total estimated cost of modified project is $ 700,432.

CYPRESS CREEK: All the planned 12 floodwater retarding structures and the 143 minor structures (gully plugs) have been completed.
Most of the easements for channel work have been secured, and about 14 miles of channel improvement will be done during 1966.
Total estimated cost of project is $ 1,576,612.

MIDDLE FORK OBION RIVER: Work Plan with an estimated cost of $ 3,014,542 has been approved by Congress providing for about 12 floodwater retarding structures and 37 miles of channel improvement in Weakley and Henry Counties.
The Work Plan is now awaiting Court action.

SPRING CREEK: Work Plan with an estimated cost of $ 2,938,681 has been prepared, and provides for about 15 floodwater retarding structures, 77 debris basins, and 54 miles of channel improvement.

MUD CREEK: Congress has authorized planning surveys, and Work Plan is being prepared.

CANE CREEK: Awaiting surveys.

Respectfully submitted:

WEAKLEY COUNTY
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Wayne Parham, Chairman
Alton Rambo, Treasurer
Gene Pentecost, Member

Leonard Bynum, Member
R. B. Priestley Jr., Member

J. S. Corbitt, Work Unit Conservationist

Motion was made by Esq. Robert Kennedy that the foregoing report be approved by the court, seconded by Esq. D. Z. Grooms. Upon being put to a vote, same carried by unanimous voice vote of the court.

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There being no further business, Court was declared by the Honorable Cayce Pentecost until first Monday in April, 1966.

Cayce Pentecost
JUDGE