

NAME: Kyle Riley

TOWNSHIP: Delaware

EMPLOYMENT: Water Resources Engineer

COMMUNITY/SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS/AWARDS:

Board of Directors, Association of State Floodplain Managers,

Iowa Engineering Society, Iowa State University Agriculture

Engineering External Advisory Council, Iowa Floodplain and

Stormwater Management Association, 2014 Outstanding Young

Engineer

Iowa High School Football Official, Altoona Youth Soccer

Association Coach

OTHER: Professional Engineer – Iowa & Kansas

Certified Floodplain Manager

DO YOU HAVE AN AGRICULTURAL, CONSERVATION, WATER, OR SOIL BACKGROUND? **Bachelor of Science Degree in Agricultural**

Engineering and Masters of Science Degree in Agricultural

Engineering, both from Iowa State University.

Worked in soil and water management for ten years.

WHAT EXPERIENCES (agricultural, conservation, soil, water, or urban) HAVE SHAPED YOUR INTEREST IN BEING A POLK SOIL AND WATER DISTRICT COMMISSIONER?

With my education and research at Iowa State University setting the foundation, I have always wanted to assist landowners and communities to solve problems. Sometimes that takes money and other times it takes knowledge transfer. Either way, it is time for me to put forth more effort to give back to the people, communities, and profession that has given so much to me.

IF ELECTED, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IMPROVED AS FAR AS THE PROTECTION OF SOIL AND WATER WITHIN POLK COUNTY?

With the beginning of Watershed Management Authorities in Polk County, it is a perfect opportunity for everyone to work toward common goals. This is in flooding, water quality, and land management aspects. Polk SWCD, jurisdictions, and groups such as the Iowa Soybean Association, Farm Bureau, etc., should be able to be engaged together to find solutions that work for everyone. With everyone speaking together, the goal would be for awareness and funding opportunities to increase.