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Soil Sisters Network Start-Ups & Toolkit

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#### **Advice, Ideas, Tips & Resources to Share**

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### **Organizations represented:**

*Green County Soil & Water Conservation/NRCS: Tonya Gratz & Meaghan Rafferty*  
*Farm Service Agency/FSA: Katie Demrow & April Prusia/Dorothy's Range*  
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Host: LindaDee Derrickson (Bluffwood Landing & Heartland Threads Fibershed)

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