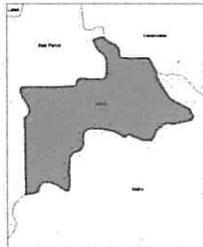


Lewis Soil Conservation District

FY 2013



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Board meetings: First Monday of the Month

Top 3 Priorities

1. Improve Water Quality
2. Nutrient Management and Soil Health
3. Reduce Soil Erosion

FY 2013 Revenue

County	\$ 8,500.00
State	\$ 21,924.25
USDA Farm Bill	\$ 205,960.00
319 & SRBA	\$ 293,118.62
Landowners	\$ 19,294.93

Water Quality Accomplishments

- One septic system repair to help reduce leaching of nitrates into groundwater
- Two spring developments and four watering facilities with 4,338 feet of pipeline were installed to provide water for stock helping protect the water quality
- Installed 32,417 feet of fence to assist landowners with non point source pollution control

Nutrient Management and Soil Health Accomplishments

- LSCD coordinated and assisted in developing a 23 acre cover crop demonstration plot with 8 different species planted. A crop tour was held with producers that were very excited about this new nutrient management practice
- 855 acres of split fertilizer applications helped reduce nitrates in surface and groundwater
- 2,045 acres of crop ground were treated with lime to neutralize acidic soils

Reduce Soil Erosion Accomplishments

- Technical and financial resources from various programs were used to reduce soil erosion on 900 acres
- 10 sediment basins were completed to reduce sediment transport, helping alleviate water and soil concerns.



Installation of a sediment basin

**EDUCATION and INFORMATIONAL
ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Verle Kaiser Conservation Endowment Grant
Sponsored conservation education among youth
- IASCD poster contest
 - 55 students
 - Weed Calendar Contest
 - 46 students
 - 6th Grade Field Day
 - 110 students
 - Worm Races
 - 33 students
 - Arbor Day Celebration
 - City of Reubens
 - 30 Highland School students
 - Idaho Department of Lands
- Published newsletters reaching 230 district residents
- A display was set up at Lewis County Fair
- Designed brochures promoting cost share funding available

**DISTRICT OPERATIONS
ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Met with Lewis County Commissioners to discuss funding
- Organized and hosted grower meetings addressing Soil Health Practices
- Partnership with NRCS, ISWCC, Idaho SWCD and Nez Perce Tribe
- Sixteen Best Management Practice (BMP) were implemented
- District Administrative Assistant attended a grant writing workshop in San Francisco in October 2012

Future Projects

Grants in progress

- 319 Lawyer Creek (Completed March 2013)
- 319 Camas Prairie High Nitrate Area Phase III
- Lawyer Creek Snake River Basin Adjudication
- 5 Mile/6 Mile Snake River Basin Adjudication

In conjunction with the Camas Prairie project the University of Idaho has conducted a deep nitrate monitoring study to learn more about nitrate leaching. The results will be used as a tool to develop new BMP's to reduce nitrate concentrations in the Camas Prairie High Nitrate Priority Area.

Repairing failing septic systems will continue to reduce nitrates in the groundwater.

Sediment control basins and gully plugs will be installed. These structures will reduce sediment transport helping alleviate water and soil concern in agricultural fields.

We have applied for a CIG Grant through NRCS for Cover Crop Plantings. Producers are interested in using cover crops as a nutrient management practice. LSCD has a cover crop seeding demonstration plot.

LSCD will apply for 319 funding to continue to be the leader in assisting producers and landowners to achieve conservation goals through technical assistant and cost share programs.

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**PERFORMANCE
REPORT
CERTIFICATION**

DISTRICT: Lewis Soil Conservation
District

FOR YEAR:
FY 2013

DUE :
December 20, 2013

CERTIFICATION

On behalf of my local Board of Supervisors, I hereby certify that the attached Performance Report is true and accurate, and further submit said Report for the above named District and fiscal year.

A copy of this Performance Report shall be kept at the District office and is available for public inspection.

Eric Hasselstrom

Board Supervisor Signature

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