



## Awards Banquet

An Awards Banquet was held in March to honor landowners and farmers in the area who have been outstanding leaders in conservation efforts. West Cassia presented an award to a Cooperator of the Year and to a Rancher of the Year. Two board supervisors received jackets in appreciation of their service on the board. An appreciation award was also presented to a Burley High School Ag Teacher for his efforts in assisting with the State Soil and Land Evaluation Event, which is held in Burley each year.

## Meetings

Supervisors attended the Fall Division IV meeting, which was held in Burley, as well as the IASCD annual Conference held in Idaho Falls.

## Project Support

West Cassia participated in a BPA High Country RC&D Ag Energy Efficiency Program with local Utility Company United Electric. The program educated farmers and land owners on power efficient systems and updates that were available to them. Three audits were conducted in conjunction with this program.



The district worked jointly with NRCS and the ISWCC to promote a CCPI project, focusing efforts on Nutrient and Irrigation Water Management. In conjunction with the project, West Cassia rented out twelve Moisture Meter Sensors to landowners participating in the program.

## Educational Accomplishments

West Cassia awarded one college scholarship of \$250.00 to a high school senior who will be majoring in an agricultural related field. One

Together, East and West Cassia had a booth at the local fair educating patrons on windbreaks and seedling trees. Also, information was available to landowners regarding the Ag Energy Efficiency program, as well as the CCPI program.

West Cassia and East Cassia together distributed three newsletters to the community, educating locals on different conservation efforts.

In October, West Cassia, with the cooperation of East Cassia, was host to the state Land Judging Evaluation Event. Many supervisors, teachers, students, and community patrons participated in the event. Students were judged on their knowledge of soil types, different slopes of the ground, and building site suitability.

## Future Projects

In early spring, West Cassia will again hold their yearly tree sale, selling seedling trees to the community and educating landowners on the benefits on windbreaks.

The district is planning to continue to rent Moisture Meter Sensors to landowners participating in the CCPI Nutrient Management program. 2014 will be the final year for this program.

The districts are in discussion of purchasing a no-till drill to be rented out to landowners. This will be a joint project with East Cassia and Minidoka districts. This will not only promote good conservation practices in the Cassia area, but will also provide farmers a way to test this practice without the overhead cost.

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**PERFORMANCE  
REPORT  
CERTIFICATION**

DISTRICT:

West Cassia SWCD

FOR YEAR:

FY2013

DUE :

December 20,

**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.

Richard Kunau

Board Supervisor Signature

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