

Lemhi Soil and Water Conservation District

Fact Sheet

General Information: The Lemhi Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in 1962. Main industries include agriculture, livestock operations, recreation, and some mining. Cooperative efforts among private landowners, BLM, FS and Idaho Fish and Game are accelerating conservation on rangeland.

Mission (or Function):

- Setting high standards for conservation of the natural resources within the District and assisting local landowners in improving soil and water practices on private lands.

FY 2015 Accomplishments:

- The Mabey Lane Side Channel Project was completed in December 2014.
- The District purchased a hydro seeder in February 2015.
- Carmen Creek 3 Irrigation Conversion Project was completed May 2015.
- 4th of July Creek Bridge was repaired July 2015.
- Pratt Creek Culvert Replacement Project, The Lower Bohannon Creek Private Culvert Replacement Project and the 18 mile Creek Railroad Grade Culvert to Bridge Project were all completed in late 2015.
- Hawley-18 mile Creek intercept Irrigation project was completed in December 2015.
- Planning has begun on the Agency Creek Culvert Replacement Access Project, Hawley Creek Access and Flow Enhancement, Canyon Creek Access and Flow Enhancement, and Pratt Creek Access and Flow Enhancement project.

Future Plans and Projects:

- Continue efforts to leverage available federal anadromous fish monies to benefit landowners and natural resources within Lemhi County in addition to ESA-listed and resident fish species.

- Continue the educational programs already in place, including participation in Family Fun Night at the Lemhi County Fair, poster contest, and taking a more active role in National Agriculture Week.



Lower Bohannon Creek Culvert Replacement Project, before and after.



The project resulted in improved fish passage, habitat and water quality for Endangered Species Act listed and resident fish species. Provided additional livestock and water management tools to local ranchers

FY 2015 District Funding:

State Funding	\$17,637
County Funding	\$7,500
Bonneville Power Administration	\$980,648
Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund	\$422,323
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service	\$6,219
Idaho Dept of Water Resources	\$3,488
Total	\$1,437,815