

# Teton Soil and Water Conservation District

## Fact Sheet

**General Information:** The Teton Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in 1950 to assist landowners with technical assistance in Teton County plan and implement conservation practices on their land. The District works on conservation practices to improve wildlife habitat, vegetative management and water quality and quantity.

**Mission (or Function):**

- Teton Soil Conservation District's mission is to work with willing landowners in a non-regulatory manner to reduce erosion, protect water quality, improve air quality and fish and wildlife habitat, provide assistance to landowners and conduct an active information and education program.

**FY 2015 Accomplishments:**

- With our partner, Friends of the Teton River (FTR), a local nonprofit 501c3, we are procuring funds for the purchase of a no-till drill, which will be owned and managed by the District.
- Sponsored the yearly poster contest with the theme of “Local Heroes, Your Hardworking Pollinators”
- The District has been recommended that Teton County hire a full-time Weed Manager.
- Held several weed awareness workshops
- Provided additional weed information to the community via flyers and advertising.
- Held a windbreak fundraiser, and sold over \$3,000 worth of trees to the community.

- Promoted windbreak tree and shrub sales to reduce soil and water erosion. In 2014, 462 trees and 415 linear feet of fabric were sold.

**Future Plans and Projects:**

- Pursue research funding for the water temperature in the Teton River for the native cutthroat trout.
- Coordinate effort with the US Forest Service, Teton Conservation District and landowners to address Wildland Urban Interface fuels reduction projects.
- Continue to pursue purchase no-till drill to address the Soil Health Initiative.

**FY 2015 District Funding:**

State Funding	\$18,997
County Funding	\$5,909
Tree Program	\$1,208
Grants/Contributions (with FTR partner)	\$25,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$51,114</b>



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