

# Wood River Soil and Water Conservation District Fact Sheet

**General Information:** The Wood River Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in 1943 to provide voluntary land and water conservation technical and financial assistance to landowners and users within District boundaries. Congratulations to Olivia Sutter as the winner of the 2013 Speech Contest with the theme “Where Does Your Water Shed?”

**Mission (or Function):**

- Inform and educate landowners of practices that will enhance water quality, reduce soil erosion, protect riparian areas and wildlife.
- Assist landowners in solving resource problems while supporting agriculture activities using sustainable and economic feasible practices.
- Offer Conservation education for both adults and youth.

**FY 2015 Accomplishments:**

- Organized a “Trees Against The Wind” project north of Shoshone on Hwy 75. Working with landowners, city, county and volunteer labor, the site was prepared and mulch laid so that tree planting could begin.
- Applied for a small grant to support two green stripping demonstration sites. The first site is a semi-rural pasture of 1.6 acres. The second site is a 2 acres pasture on a main road. The sites will be used for education on how to reduce the risk of wildfire for family, property, pets and livestock. This is important, as Lincoln County was designated as an extreme drought impacted county.
- Contributed both time and money to Idaho Envirothon.
- Contributed time and money to the Lincoln County Bug Crew.

**Future Plans and Projects:**

- Cover crop field day
- Annual tree sale in connection with Arbor Day
- Weed and pesticide workshop
- Trees Against the Wind project
- Fair booth
- Green Stripping demo
- Legislative display at the State Capitol
- Natural Resources Camp
- Sponsor Lincoln County Bio Control



**The 702-A Lateral Pipeline project.**  
This project involved six landowners who are interested in saving water.

**FY 2015 District Funding:**

State Funding	\$16,906
County General Services	\$5,500
Local Tree Sale	\$5,000
Grants	\$1,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$28,906</b>