

Elmore

Soil Conservation District



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Elmore SCD meets on the 2nd Tuesday of Every month at 7pm, except in October. ESCD meets on the 1st Tuesday.

Top 3-5 Priorities

1. Water
2. Soil
3. Outreach

FY 2013 Revenue

- \$ 17,666.58	State
- \$ 6,500.00	County
- \$ 958,208.00	EQIP/WHIP Funds
- <u>\$ 33,436.60</u>	319 Grant Project
- \$1,015,811.18	Total

Cold Springs Creek Riparian Restoration Project.

- The purpose for this project is to restore and maintain water quality in the Cold Springs Creek sub-watershed.
- There are 2,800 acres of private range land, 3.5 stream miles and 31 acres of riparian zone land.
- The project will help prevent excessive soil loss, heavy protect stream banks, manage grazing areas and establish vegetative cover to reduce intensive livestock or vehicle use.
- Overall the project will improve water-holding capacity of the uplands, restoring a healthy hydrologic cycle and reducing degradation of the riparian zone caused by livestock and wildlife overuse.

9th Grade Field Day

- Held on May 9th, 2013. Students from Mountain Home High School participated in the event. The students were separated into seven groups and were conducted to different areas on the Gingrich farm in Grandview. Presenters from local, state and federal agencies demonstrated various projects. The students enjoyed the programs except that it was a very cold and windy May day.



Speech and Poster Contest

- The 5th science class at Tom Hacker Middle school submitted posters “Where Does Your Water Shed”. The poster winners were Drew, Leah and Riley.
- There were 6 participants for the speech contest. All researched the topic and gave very nice speeches. The top three winners were Dez, Macy and Dokota. Dez traveled to the Division III meeting and took first place. Dez then went on to the IASCD conference in November and won first place.



Future Plans and Projects

- Assist landowners in efforts to improve their soil and water management techniques.
- Continue to assist count with comprehensive planning for wise land use, as well as working with groups to reduce and prevent surface and ground water pollution.
- Work with Cooperators to develop and implement grazing plans and practices.
- Promote measures to reduce wildfire hazards to homes and forestlands.
- Enhance environmental outreach efforts to youth and adults.

2013 Pony and Elk Creek Fires

August 8, 2013 lightning storms rolled through Mountain Home and the foothills and mountains north of Mountain Home. The Pony and Elk Creek Complex fires were the largest fires being battled across the west. The Pony fire burned 149,388 acres and was contained on August 19th. The Elk Creek Complex fire burned 131,258 acres and was contained on August 31st. The Mountain Home NRCS field office worked very hard to see that farmers and ranchers devastated by the fires were made aware of the programs offered. Through the EQIP and WHIP programs 35 farmers and ranchers were provided funding. This funding includes range seeding - 11,321 acres, fencing – 23 miles, prescribed grazing – 3863.7 acres, replanting trees and shrubs – 775.1 acres and replacement of 5 structures.



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CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**PERFORMANCE
REPORT
CERTIFICATION**

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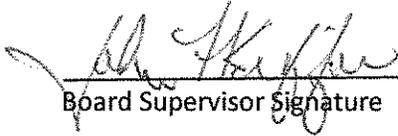
FOR YEAR:
2013

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.



Board Supervisor Signature

John F. Kieffer

Printed Name

December 20, 2013

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