

Bear Lake Soil and Water Conservation District Fact Sheet

General Information: The Bear Lake Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in 1940. They have assisted cooperators in land leveling, rebuilding irrigation systems, drainage of semi-wet cropland and applying other soil and water conservation practices.

Mission (or Function):

- Set high standards for the wise use of the natural resources in the District.
- Make technical, financial and educational resources available and coordinate them to meet the needs of the local land manager with conservation of soil, water and related natural resources.

FY 2013 Accomplishments:

- Camp Bartlett Fuels Reduction Grant provided assistance to landowners to clear the undergrowth around trees and structures to help eliminate damage during a wildfire.
- Helped landowners install cross fencing in large pastures, livestock watering systems, and relocated corrals off a 303d creek.
- Conducted a District tour showcasing a fuels reduction grant, SRF loan, and NRCS EQIP project.
- Conducted a Tree Sales Program and awarded five scholarships to graduating Bear Lake Seniors who plan to attend college.

Future Plans and Projects:

- Assist landowners with incentive based programs to increase irrigation efficiency and water savings.
- Work to implement the Ag TMDL implementation plan.

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Camp Bartlett Fuels Reduction Grant: Before



Camp Bartlett Fuels Reduction Grant: After

FY 2013 District Funding:

Base Allocation	\$	8,500
Local Funding	\$	7,473
Capacity Building	\$	1,600
State Match	\$	<u>10,225</u>
	\$	27,798

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