

# 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 2013 Accomplishments:**

- Completed L-50 Diversion removal and pivot project. Two culverts to bridge replacements were implemented on Hawley Creek. The results include improved fish passage, habitat, and water quality for ESA-listed and resident fish species.
- Sponsored and participated in National Agriculture Week in Lemhi County.
- Provided 4 partial scholarships to help students attend Natural Resource Camp.
- Shared an educational booth with the Upper Salmon Basin Watershed Project and NRCS.

**Future Plans and Projects:**

- Poison Creek diversion-removal and pivot-installation.
- 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 to focus on youth and adult education.



Before: Hawley Creek Culvert Replacement



After: Hawley Creek Culvert Replacement

**FY 2013 District Funding:**

Base Allocation	\$	8,500
Local Funding	\$	5,000
State Match	\$	<u>6,840</u>
	\$	20,340

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District Documents

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