

Clearwater Soil and Water Conservation District Fact Sheet

General Information: The Clearwater Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in 1946 to provide educational, technical and financial assistance to local landowners and operators, to conserve soil, water and related natural resources. Forest land in Clearwater County makes up 94% of the total acres.

Mission (or Function): Provide local leadership to educate and assist the public on wise stewardship and management of soil, water, air, plant and animal resources, and to promote strong conservation partnerships to find practical, economical solutions to natural resources problems and coordinate their implementation.

FY 2014 Accomplishments:

- Completed first of three Snake River Basin Adjudication grants implementing forest BMP's to improve water quality, fish passage, and sediment reduction to Class I and II receiving waters of the NF Clearwater River and Lolo Creek watersheds. The forest BMP implementation efforts consisted of forest road obliteration and/or abandonment, culvert upgrades, bridge installations and road blocking.
- Completed forestry BMP's to improve water quality, fisheries and sediment reduction on Whiskey Creek.

Future Plans and Projects:

- Address priority stream resource concerns.
- Provide an investment grade engineering design for a woody biomass renewable energy project in the community.
- To actively coordinate with the County "Hazard Mitigation" team to develop and promote a "Fire Wise Program" and evaluate "Flood Control" measures as well as identify potential land slide locations in the community.



Forestry BMP's taking old culvert out preparing for new culvert



Rock side channel completed

FY 2014 District Funding:

State Funding	\$ 36,120
Local Funding	\$ 10,000
Corporate Donation	\$ 10,000
Grant Income	\$ 282,197
Foundation Money	\$ 2,500
Other Money - private	\$ 841
Total	\$ 341,658

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District Documents

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