

# Elmore Soil and Water Conservation District

## Fact Sheet

**General Information:** The Elmore Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in 1940 to provide voluntary land and water conservation and technical and financial assistance within the District. The District assists in the preparation and implementation of conservation plans to help conserve and wisely use resources.

**Mission (or Function):**

- Deliver natural resource conservation technology and education to promote management practices and wise use of natural resources to ensure a sustainable resource base for present and future generations.
- Promote Best Management Practices implemented by landowners on a non-regulatory basis rather than mandated by government agencies.
- 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 2014 Accomplishments:**

- Continued work on the Cold Springs Creek Riparian Restoration Project to restore and maintain water quality in the sib-watershed. There are 2,800 acres of private rangeland, 3 ½ stream miles and 31 acres of riparian zone land in the project.
- Held a 9<sup>th</sup> grade field day for Mountain Home High school science students.
- Sponsored Mountain Home High School students competing in the “Dig Deeper, Mysteries in the Soil” speech contest.



**Cold Springs Creek Riparian Restoration Project**

**Future Plans and Projects:**

- Assist landowners in efforts to improve their soil and water management techniques.
- Continue to assist county 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.

**FY 2014 District Funding:**

State	\$ 18,845
319 Grant Project	\$ 33,436
Total	\$ 52,281

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