

# Benewah Soil and Water Conservation District 2018 Fact Sheet

## General Information

The Benewah Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in 1946. The District includes both farm and forest lands. It has introduced conservation practices such as contour and cross-slope farming, stubble mulching, strip cropping, and range and pasture management.

## Mission

Serve as a liaison bringing together state, Federal, and private sector resources to solve conservation and natural resource issues.

Assist landowners in the planning and implementation of best management practices and provide technical information to help landowners and land users make the best use of land and water resources.

## Location

Benewah County and the southern portion of Shoshone County in the Idaho Panhandle.

## Legislative Districts 5 & 7

## Calendar Year 2018 Accomplishments

- Expanded Section 319 bank stabilization projects on the St. Joe River to 10 sites.
- Continued participation for 3<sup>rd</sup> year of a 5 year project in the Greater Spokane Regional Conservation Partnership (RCPP) for forestry and agricultural conservation projects.
- Assisted Bonner SWCD with the State Forestry Contest.
- Sold 14,500 seedlings for conservation plantings.

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## Calendar Year 2018 Accomplishments (Cont'd)

- Provided all area 5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms a watershed curriculum and sponsored the watershed-themed IASCD Poster Contest.
- Received grant from National Association of Conservation Districts to fund a fulltime Conservation Planner at the Plummer Service Center for 1 year.
- Provided outreach, along with NRCS, at the Lakeside High School Career Fair.



Streambank Stabilization Project

## Future Plans and Projects

- Continue installation of St. Joe River bank stabilization projects.
- Continue RCPP partnerships.
- Outreach and education.

## FY 2018 Funds

<b>State</b>	<b>\$ 17,651.11</b>
County	\$ 5,000.00
Tree Sale	\$ 2,597.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 25,248.11</b>

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Board Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday (except August)

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