

Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District

2018 Fact Sheet

General Information

The Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District was created in 1947 to provide educational, technical, and financial assistance to local landowners and operators, and conserve soil, water and related natural resources within the District's boundaries. The SWCD has been instrumental in helping farmers design and incorporate sprinkler irrigation into their farm plans.

Mission

To support high quality and effective projects that engage private landowners in the conservation and enhancement of wildlife and natural resources on their lands. We place high priority on innovative concepts that integrate conservation practices in ongoing agriculture and ranching operations.

Location

The northwest corner of Jefferson County, including Mud Lake, portions of Camas Creek, and portions of the Snake River.

Legislative District 32

FY 2018 Accomplishments

- Grant funds from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Five Star Restoration Program were used on a restoration project on the Bear River. The district completed a section of toe rock and 14 barb banks, and re-sloped 2,100 feet of streambank to a 2:1 side slope.
- Taught a 75-hour Ecology course for 20 Students at Franklin County High School.
- Staffed a booth at the Franklin County Fair.
- Partnered IASCD Division V for outreach projects, including an interactive display for State legislators at the Capitol building.

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FY 2018 Accomplishments (Continued)

- Hosted the 5th Annual Poster Contest for 300 students from Preston and West Side School Districts.
- Participated in Preston High School's After School Program that teaches life skills, provides insights into Natural Resource jobs, and opportunities.
- Willow plantings on the Bear River project.



Bear River Restoration Project

Future Plans and Projects

- Manage and operate a full-time Aquatic Species Check Station, in cooperation with the Idaho Department of Agriculture
- Coordinate with the Franklin County Irrigation Reservoir Alliance to protect waterways from Quagga and Zebra Mussel infestations by operating a full-time Verification Checkpoint at Glendale Reservoir.

FY 2018 Funds

State	\$ 20,611.57
County	\$ 6,500.00
Other local entities	\$ 5,700.00
Grants	\$ 52,593.00
Sales & Services	\$ 22,559.00
Contracts	\$ 129,750.00
Alliance	\$ 11,158.00
Total	\$ 248,871.57

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