

Payette Soil and Water Conservation District

2018 Fact Sheet

General Information

The Payette Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in 1958. The district contains 147,014 acres of farmland. Soil erosion associated with irrigation continues to be the main natural resource concern. The district provides technical, financial, and educational resources to landowners to meet their conservation needs.

Mission

Payette Soil and Water Conservation District will work towards conserving and enhancing all natural resources for the economic and environmental benefit of present and future generations.

Location

Payette County; west edge of south-central Idaho.

Legislative District 9

FY 2018 Accomplishments

- Organized the 9th Annual Soil Health Symposium with partners from Malheur, Canyon, and Adams SWCDs, NRCS, U of I and OSU. Speakers presented topics about soil and livestock health and the use of cover crops. Local producer panels complemented the speaker topics.
- Hired Mary Rosen as District Manager to assist with district operations, grant writing, and implementation of BMPs.
- Staffed a County Fair display booth to provide information related to District programs.
- Participated in the IASCD Legislative Days.

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FY 2018 Accomplishments (Continued)

- State legislators. Maintained the District website (www.payetteswcd.org).
- Produced and distributed a quarterly District newsletter.
- Coordinated 319 grant funds for landowners, including those in the Little Willow Creek drainage, to implement BMPs.



Little Willow Creek

Future Plans and Projects

- Continue to focus on assisting landowners and entities in Payette County with projects to improve water quality in the TMDL listed Payette and Snake Rivers and their tributaries.
 - Organize and present the 10th Annual Soil Health Symposium in cooperation with our partners and continue educational programs and outreach.
- **FY 2018 Funds**

State	\$ 19,683.47
Payette County	\$ 5,000.00
Cities (New Plymouth and Payette)	\$ 1,600.00
IDEQ	\$ 120,272.00
Total	\$ 146,555.47

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Meetings: 3rd Wednesdays