

Blaine Soil Conservation District

Fact Sheet

speech and poster contests, and Envirothon into the schools.

General Information: The Blaine Soil Conservation District was organized in 1954 to provide voluntary land conservation technical and financial assistance to landowners. From its beginning, the District has strongly supported snow survey and plant materials programs and has helped install, maintain and measure 16 snow courses that affect local rivers and streams.

Mission (or Function):

- Make technical, financial and educational resources available and coordinate them so that they meet the needs of the local land manager with conservation of soil, water and related natural resources.
- Establish and support efforts of effective natural resource conservation in Blaine County.

FY 2015 Accomplishments:

- Blaine Soil Conservation is currently involved with NRCS in funding a new SnoTel for the Iron Mine area North of Carey. We are hoping to eliminate 5 of the manual read SnoTels and add the one more efficient new SnoTel.
- Worked hard to make the community more aware of soil and water issues that affect Blaine County and what they can do to help reduce soil erosion and increase water-use efficiencies.
- Continued to conduct Snow Surveys to provide data for water reports.
- Provided forage and soil sampling service to Blaine county producers.
- Offered three scholarships to Blaine County High School Seniors; one for \$1500, one for \$1000, and two for \$500.
- BSCD is a sponsor of the Poster Contest at local, state, and national levels.
- Continued support of the state Envirothon Competition.
- Worked with Blaine County elementary and high schools to reintroduce Agricultural programs,



Future Plans and Projects:

- We are currently looking for ideas and speakers to put on a workshop for the Blaine and Camas areas covering no till drilling and cover crops.

FY 2015 District Funding:

State	\$28,461
Local Government	\$14,000
District Fundraising	\$5,500
Total	\$47,961

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