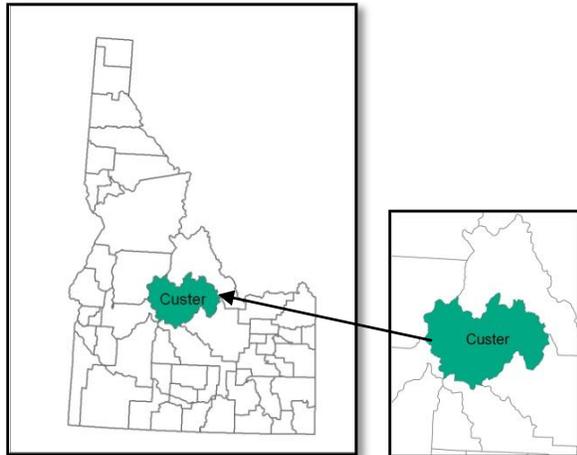


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Soil and Water Conservation District



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SWCD Board Meetings: Second Wednesday

Top 5 Natural Resource Concerns

1. Water Quality
2. Water Quantity
3. Endangered Species Act Mandates
4. Urban Development
5. Recreation use impacts

2014-15 Revenues

Federal Grants to Custer SWCD	\$ 1,487,657
State Funding - SWC	\$ 16,176
County Funding	\$ 6,000
Local Funding	\$ 2,615
IDFG	\$ 7,238
Total District Administered Funds	\$ 1,519,686
NRCS	\$ 393,457
Landowner Match	\$ 652,000
Total Conservation Funding	\$ 2,565,143

Recent Projects

Anadromous Fisheries Projects:

- Completed installation of a gravity pipeline, irrigation diversion improvement, stock-water and fencing for P-16 Diversion conserving approximately 15 cubic foot per second.
- Removed the P-13 Irrigation diversion and ditch and reconnected the historic channel of the Pahsimeroi.
- Installation of a gravity/ground water supplemented system on Pole Creek restoring 18 cubic foot per second back to the stream.
- Consolidation of irrigation three ditches to reduce passage barrier.



More efficient irrigation infrastructure installed saves water, improves irrigation and improves fisheries.

Results: Removed four passage barriers removed with a savings of over 33 cfs. In addition five fish passage barriers treated or removed.





Annual 5th Grade Tour: Students seen learning how to use survey equipment with Tim Dodds, NRCS. The tour also included a visit to the Parkinson Seed Farm.

Educational Programs

- Sponsored two participants in the speech contest for Division VI winning 1st and 3rd.
- Sponsored the poster contest for 45 students.
- Held an annual 5th grade tour reaching approximately 27 students. Including a tour of a seed potato and grain farm to increase student’s knowledge about agriculture.
- Sponsored two teams to the state Envirothon.
- Co sponsored Ag Week (250 students)
- Sponsored Natural Resource Day (200 students)
- Challis Fishing Derby - community support.
- Legislative Display at the State Capitol.
- Sponsored Pole Creek Conservation Tour
- Assisted with the implementation of the Idaho Envirothon at Living Waters Ranch in Challis.
- Sponsored Bread in a Bag for the Challis elementary 4th grade class.
- Engaged Challis FFA and Envirothon students in conservation projects to increase their awareness of natural resource issues.
- Applied for and received IASCD Field Office Partnership Award for Challis FO.

Future Projects

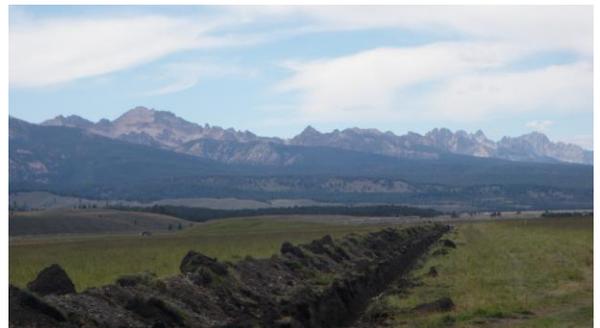
Custer Soil and Water Conservation District continues to focus on the statutory requirement in their annual and 5-Year Plan. Water Quality and Water Quantity are the top resource concern in addition to the Endangered Species Act implications.

Continued efforts will be made to address Energy Conservation within Agriculture sector in cooperation with the Salmon River Electric Cooperative and BPA funding.

The Custer SWCD will continue to work with willing landowners to address agricultural projects related to fish recovery by addressing flows, fish barriers and stream restoration projects. Funding has been allocated to address six of these additional projects over the next year.

As always work will be accomplished on a voluntary basis. Funding from various non traditional sources will be needed to retain the current “action” level. This includes but is not limited to Bonneville Power Administration and Office of Species Conservation (PCSRF).

An active information, education and outreach program will continue to be a focus of the Custer SWCD.



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Providing action and information at the local level for promoting wise and beneficial conservation of natural resources with an emphasis on soil and water.

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**PERFORMANCE
REPORT
CERTIFICATION**

DISTRICT: Custer Soil and Water Conservation
District

FOR YEAR:

2014-2015

DUE :

2015
December 20,

CERTIFICATION

On behalf of my local Board of Supervisors, I hereby certify that the attached Performance Report is true and accurate, and further submit said Report for the above named District and fiscal year.

A copy of this Performance Report shall be kept at the District office and is available for public inspection.



Board Supervisor Signature

Ben O'Neal

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