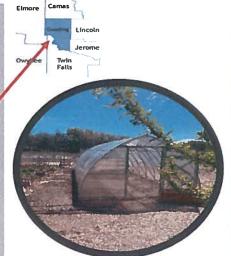
# **GOODING**

## Soil Conservation District

# Greenhouse going up in the Community Garden





The Gooding Soil Conservation District continues to work on sustainability for the garden. In April we erected a greenhouse to extend our growing season for cool weather plants but to also raise tree seedlings for resell. The Gooding SCD will raise hundreds of seedlings in gallon containers to sell to the Wood River SWCD's well-established annual tree sale for the purpose of bringing in some income. The challenge is every year having money to hire a manager who can help organize and get work done. We recently hired Dacia Yoder as the manger, she is a resident of Gooding and enjoys working outside. We also rely heavily on volunteers, youth groups and students to clean up and lay the groundwork; plants and seedlings from schools & business and the city provides the water and garbage removal.

We continue to apply for funding as we want to keep the garden growing and install new and innovative ideas to engage the community.

### Pollinator Habitat 2022



## Top 5 Natural Resource Concerns

- 1. Water Quantity
- 2. Rangeland & Grazing Management
- 3. Water Quality
- 4. Soil Health / Erosion
- 5. Urban Conservation

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SWCD Board Meetings:

2<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month at 1:00 p.m.

### 2022 Revenue:

TOTAL

State Funding	\$20,266.49
County General Services	\$6,000.00
Community Garden	\$25,000.00
Fabric Mulch	\$2,485.00
Little City of Rocks	\$1,000.00
No-Till Drill	\$15,609.00

\$ 62,693.49

# Gooding Soil Conservation District EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS:





Poster Presentations were given to local schools by Barbara Messick, Administrative Assistant & Jennifer Hamilton, University of Idaho Extension.

The topic this year was:

"Healthy Soil -Healthy Life"!

We talked about the importance of soil and that it's not just dirt at all. Where we would be without soil as it is a precious resource.

We then showed them how to plant wildflower mixes and other seedlings to show the importance of soil. Some took their plants home, others will contribute to the Community Garden and may help harvest pumpkins in October.

"HEALTHY SOIL-HEALTHY LIFE".

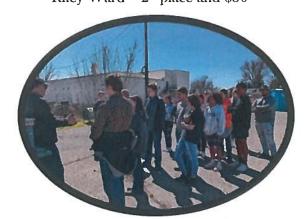




#### 2022 Speech Contest

The Gooding SCD had a pretty good turnout for this year's speech contest. Information was sent out to all of Gooding County FFA students and this year many showed up. This year's winner was Kendal Crawford who received \$100 and the opportunity to speak again at the Division IV level.

Riley Ward – 2<sup>nd</sup> place and \$50



Composting Workshop and a training for Envirothon students getting ready for state competition in Challis, Idaho.

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## NRCS TEAM LEAD

The Gooding SCD would like to welcome Michael Potucek as the new NRCS Team 10 Lead. We are eager to work with Michael and get projects on the ground.





# FALL FESTIVAL 2022 IN THE BOOKS!

The Gooding Community Garden held a Fall Festival for all of Gooding County. It was to introduce to those community members that we exist and what we can offer them.

Educating some who may not know how to garden and engaging with the kids to encourage them to join us.





Manager, Dacia Yoder and Chris Braun dressed the part and put together a great event for all of Gooding County. Lucy MaHaffey was a huge part of the succes

## Locally Led Meeting

The Local Working Group met Thursday,
October 20th at the Gooding County
Fairgrounds. We had a great turnout with some great discussion and decisions made for the NRCS EQIP priorities and ranking. The meeting included Gooding, Camas and Lincoln Counties as they are TEAM 10.



Facilitator from Boise - Going through the priorities as we discussed many resource concerns.



Representatives from BLM, Big Wood Canal Co. Idaho Fish and Game, Tri County Weeds and so much more

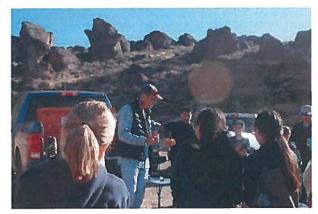
## **Outdoor Workshop**

We are the luckiest district to have the best presenters in the Magic Valley helping us put on our Little City of the Rocks Workshop.

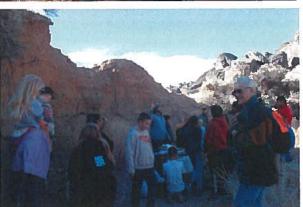
The District entertained 300 5th grade students from Gooding, Bliss, Hagerman, North Valley Academy, Wendell, Camas and Shoshone.

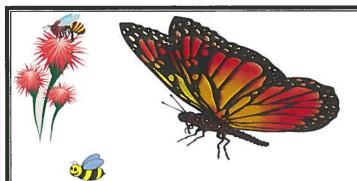
They learned all about Geology, Archeology, Wildlife, Soils, Fire Prevention and Hydrology.

Thank you to the wonderful teachers and administration who allow the kiddos to continue to come and participate in this great outdoor adventure. We are super proud of this event!









## **ARBOR DAY**

The Gooding SCD held their annual
Arbor Day Celebration. It was a wonderful
turn out as we entertained
the new Mayor of Gooding, City employees,
County Commissioners, the Manager of the
Garden, Wood River
RC&D representative, North Valley Academy

RC&D representative, North Valley Academy 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and more.

Gerry Bates, Community Forester from Idaho Falls, presented the city with a banner in honor of being a Tree City USA. We also planted many Rocky Mountain tree seedlings with the North Valley Academy, to sustain our garden.

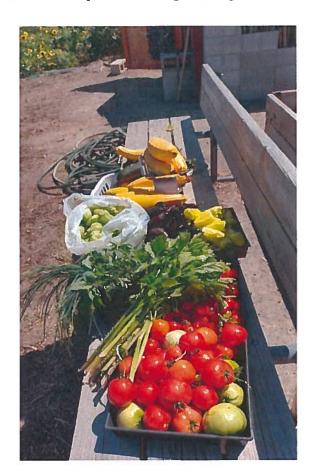




## **COMMUNITY GARDEN**



Students from North Valley Academy learning about the importance of a gardening and more.



Vegetables and fruit picked and weighed every day to give us some supporting data that what we do is a benefit.

# IDAHO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### PERFORMANCE REPORT CERTIFICATION

<b>DISTRICT:</b> Gooding	Soil	
Conserva	ation	<b>District</b>

**FOR YEAR:** 

**FY-22** 

DUE:

**December 20, 2022** 

#### **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.

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Board Supervisor Signature

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Printed Name

11-10-2022

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