## North Side soil & Water Conservation District



**Address:** 1441 Fillmore St. #A

Twin Falls, ID 83301

**Phone:** (208) 944-3736

Meets fourth Tuesday of each month

#### Top Five Natural Resource Concerns

- 1. Soil Health
- 2. Water Quality & Quantity
- 3. Education Youth
- 4. Education Adult
- 5. Disrict Relationships & Operations

#### 2022 Revenue

State Grants and Services: \$25,236.59 County General Services: \$12,000.00

Total \$27,236.59

## **Recent Projects**





# **Encourage growers to try LESA systems**

As concerns mount over water supply issues, especially for cooperators on deep wells or on the tailend of surface water systems, many growers are searching for ways to extend their irrigation water supplies. LESA — Low Energy Spray Applications — may fit some operations. LESA applies water below the crop foliage to reduce wind drift and evaporation from the top of the crop canopy.

The North Side SWCD has begun a program to pay cooperators some cost-share to help offset the cost of repackaging a pivot to try LESA.

# Educational Efforts

- Continued to participate in a five-year project to collect soil testing data from across the Magic Valley. The data will help identify trends and help educate producers.
- Sponsored organizations such as the Southern Idaho Water Coalition and educational efforts such as the Magic Valley Soil Health Forum.
- Sponsored two Local Working Group meetings to set natural resource priorities.
- Sponsored a speech contest for high school students was held in the fall of 2022 for the first time in more than a dozen years with the theme "Healthy Soils, Healthy Life." The North Side SWCD winner (left in picture below) placed first at the Division IV contest and third at the IASCD Conference.



#### **Yingst Grade Bridge**

The road down to the bridge was damaged by high water about 5 years ago.North Side donated \$12,000 to provide fresh gravel. This is a popular hiking trail near Jerome.





#### **Future Projects**

- Help City of Eden with water pressurization project.
  - Irrigation efficiency demonstration project.

#### **North Side SWCD Supervisors:**

| Roy Prescott  | Chair     | 208-280-2163 | 110 North 800 East, Jerome, ID 83338 |
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| Steve Huettig | Sec/Treas | 208-308-3718 | 1908 E 1300 S, Jerome, ID 83338      |
| Alan Hansten  | Member    | 208-329-9485 | 921 North Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338  |
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## IDAHO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

#### PERFORMANCE REPORT CERTIFICATION

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2022

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.

Board Supervisor Signature

Printed Name

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Date

District Telephone

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DATE OF CONFIRMATION: