## OWYHEE CONSERVATION DISTRICT



## FY 2022

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OCD Board Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month Hours 12:00-1:00 p.m.

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## **Top Priorities**

- 1. Water Quality
- 2. District Operations
- 3. Outreach & Education
- 4. Soils, Rangeland, Riparian & Crop

## FY 2022 Revenue

County: \$4,500.00 ISWCC: \$14,500.00 Total \$19,000.00

## FY 2022 Accomplishments

#### **Securing TWO WQPA Grants**

When we heard that the WQPA was going to be funded this year through the commission, we immediately heeded the advice of both Joe Peterson and Tate Walters and pursued multiple projects that could potentially be viable for funding. One was a project that Tate knew of from a previous NRCS Grant, and although it had funding through that, the project was large enough that additional funds were needed before the water district could pursue. The second project that was funded coincided with the NRCS project. 2 out of 5 projects being funded is a huge win for our district! We are so thankful for the help of Tate and Joe to get these projects funded for our community. Roughly 700 acres and 10 producers will feel the positive impact of these funds.

#### **Junior Livestock Sales**

Continued support of our local FFA Chapters purchasing \$1600 in livestock at the Owyhee Fair in August. This total amount given was spread out as "Add-Ons" to 12 different FFA kids, 11 with sheep and 1 with a goat. We are always excited to support the community directly with our ability to help keep kids engaged with the AG lifestyle.

#### Natural Resource Camp

The Natural resource camp resumed this year through the University of Idaho extension office, and we offered up tuition payment for any middle schooler that would like to attend. We had two take us up on the offer, Ty Roland and Gibson Rice. Both really enjoyed the experience and learned a few things not only about conservation, but about nature in general. We think the value of getting kids out in nature early, understanding what role they can play in our conservation, the better it is. We were excited to invest in two students in this way!

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## Education/Outreach

#### **Ag Scholarship Award**

This year's scholarship was awarded to homeschool student Riley Ketterling who received \$1000 to study



Horticulture at College of Western Idaho
Carrying a GPA of 4.0,
Riley has been long involved in the ag community and is already half way through her degree.
Riley plans to find a career in Owyhee
County following graduation.

### Owyhee Fair Display

Participated in the August fair with a display featuring our partnership with NRCS. Conservation-focused posters were displayed with an emphasis on water and

available funding options. We also displayed our Verminator for the entirety of the fair to see and observe to garner more widely spread knowledge about its availability and effectiveness!



## **Future Projects**

- Reinstate free in-person annual pesticide class
   & farmer appreciation luncheon in December.
- Enhance environmental and agricultural outreach to youth and adults through a variety of projects
- Sponsor an Ag Related Senior Project
- Host a summer farm tour to see the results of the two WQPA grants we secured.
- Continue to award ag scholarships
- Host annual pesticide class
- Recruit members to district board

#### OWYHEE CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Andrea McRae, Chairman
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# IDAHO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

# PERFORMANCE REPORT CERTIFICATION

DISTRICT:	
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FOR YEAR:

FY 2022

DUE:

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

Board Supervisor Signature

Andrea Mckae

**Printed Name** 

12.13.2022

Date

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DATE OF CONFIRMATION: