PORTNEUF SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



Conserving Natural Resources for our Future



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SWCD Board Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the Month

Top 5 Natural Resource Concerns Improve Water Quality and Quantity

Improve Range Health Increase Riparian zone restoration Increase use of effective soil health practices

Urban Conservation

FY 2022 Revenue

County General Services	\$15,000.00
State Services	\$34,593.25
Grant Funding	\$152,621.59
Interest Earnings	\$35.98
Total	\$132,604,66

Mission Statement

To coordinate technical, financial, and education assistance for responsible natural resources management that conserves and improves air, soil, and water quality, and fish and wildlife habitat.

Conservation Projects

Ninemile Fuels Reduction Project



The SCFRP removed fuels from 140 acres of rangeland near Downey, Idaho. Fuels reduction will not only reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire, but also improve grazing & water resources.

This project is funded in part by the Idaho Department of Lands in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service.

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Yellow Dog Creek Project

The YDCP removed invasive Juniper Trees, added fence along Yellow Dog Creek, and a watering system for cattle. This will improve stream bank stability and water quality along Yellow Dog Creek.

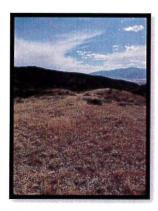
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gophers a year, plus mice and voles, to sustain a pair of owls and their young. To date the PSWCD has sold 42 Owl Boxes.

Swan Lake Creek Forage Kochia Project



This project is in progress and will establish 5 acres of native range species and 5 acres of Kochia which will serve as a fire break, prevent future erosion and improve water quality.

Conservation Programs

Owl Box Program

Barn Owls offer an effective form of natural pest control that often provides better results than conventional trapping or poisons. The use of Barn Owls for pest control is also eco-friendly and requires little to no maintenance. The Army Corps of Engineers estimates that it takes 3,000

Conservation Loan Program

The PSWCD offers conservation loans up to \$10,000 to landowners in Bannock County. Loans are offered at low interest rates and are a perfect match to be used with NRCS Programs.

Drone Program

In partnership with Idaho State University the PSWCD is offering Drone Services to Landowners in Bannock County. Services include, 3D Mapping, Aerial Imagery and Plant and Animal Health Analysis. The partnership also gives ISU students the opportunity to work with local landowners for some real-world experience.

District Update

Portneuf SWCD Supervisors & Staff		
Kevin Koester	Chairman	
Scott Henderson	Vice-Chairman	
David Jackson	Treasurer	
Kit Tillotson	Supervisor	
Brad Kent	Supervisor	
Charity Staggs	Administrator	

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PERFORMANCE REPORT CERTIFICATION

DISTRICT:	Portneuf	SWCD
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FOR YEAR:

FY 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.

Ben Bester

Board Supervisor Signature

Kevin Koester

Printed Name

11/9/2022

Date

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DATE OF CONFIRMATION: