

# Snake River Soil & Water Conservation District



## Recent Projects



*Sheep fall grazing cover crop at the Todd Ballard Sustainability Demonstration Farm near Kimberly, ID, improves soil health and provides an additional revenue stream to the farm.*

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*Meets second Tuesday of each month*

### Top Five Natural Resource Concerns

1. Water Quantity
2. Cropland
3. Groundwater Protection
4. Animal Waste Management
5. Fish and Wildlife

### 2022 Revenue

State Grants and Services:	\$14,500.00
County General Services:	\$8,500.00
City General Services:	\$2,000.00
Total:	\$25,000.00



*Farmers discuss no-till seeding options at the Scott Patrick farm south of Kimberly.*

## Impromptu Field Days

One of the best things about the Magic Valley Soil Health Forum is the ability to pull off a quick visit whenever one of the participating farmers has something new or interesting happening that relates to soil health.

Both field days pictured here are prime examples of impromptu field days held in 2022.

## **Educational Efforts**

- Held the poster contest for 4th, 5th and 6th grade students in which 194 students from four schools participated
- Sponsored an environmental education day for the Murtaugh and Hansen 3rd classes at the historic Stricker Ranch/Rock Creek store.
- Held a contest for high school students in the fall of 2022.
- Participated in the 2022 Twin Falls County Fair, featuring the Soil and Water Stewardship theme — “Healthy Soil, Healthy Life.”
- Provided one college scholarship.
- Provided funding to the Southern Idaho Water Quality Coalition. The SIWQC is a coalition of stakeholders in the Magic Valley composed of representatives from local cities, canal companies, the aquaculture industry and others. This group provides a unified voice to speak up for the quality of the Snake River and create a better water quality plan. Supervisor Ron Jones serves as a representative to the SIWQC.
- Helped sponsor and plan the 2022 IASCD Convention held in Burley in mid-November.



## **Improving Pollinator habitat**

The Snake River SWCD partnered with the Twin Falls SWCD and the Twin Falls Pollinator Council to launch a project to improve pollinator habitat. Planter boxes showcasing different species combinations were displayed at the Ag Pavilion during the county fair.

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PERFORMANCE  
REPORT  
CERTIFICATION

DISTRICT:

Snake River SWCD

FOR YEAR:

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.

*Matt Nail*

Board Supervisor Signature

*Matt Nail*

Printed Name

*12-13-22*

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