



#### **TETON SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

275 Old Railroad Way Driggs ID 83422 208-354-2680 #101 tetonscd@silverstar.com

TWCD MISSION STATEMENT: To work with willing landowners in a non-regulatory manner to reduce erosion, protect water quality, improve air quality as well as fish and wildlife habitat, provide assistance to landowners and conduct active information and education programs. Landowners receive technical assistance through that Natural Resource Conservation Service.

#### **IDENTIFICATION OF SERVICE AREA:**

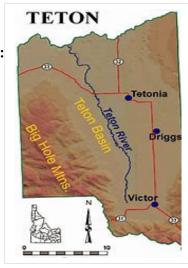
County: Teton

Cities: 4

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

米

Legislative Districts: 31





\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### 2022 At A Glance:

## Teton Soil Conservation District in the fiscal year of 2022

On August 5<sup>th</sup> 2022 we hosted our annual **Farm Tour** which we do in partnership with the Teton County Fair Board and Friends of the Teton River. Every year for the last 5 we have had this fun event that has gained popularity and is very well attended by the community. It's an amazing way to inform the community about the ag practices in the valley and the responsible ranchers and farmers we have here. This year we had two busses and 80 community participants. TSCD tries to

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

provide information that the community has shown an interest in, we conduct a survey every year to gauge the interests and concerns of the community. Howell Apiaries provided our first presentation on bee keeping, everyone loved the information Mr. Howell was a great source of information.



米

\*



Darrin Howell presenting Beekeeping a

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

For our second demonstration local businesswoman Sarah Warhol presented and demonstrated the ease and functionality of our Plotmaster Seeder. The last presentation was a tour through the facilities at Sun Rain Potato Varieties, we learned about their techniques, storage facility and the new small potato craze right now and how it has changed their focus they had also installed a battery-operated drip system run by to AA batteries, very amazing.

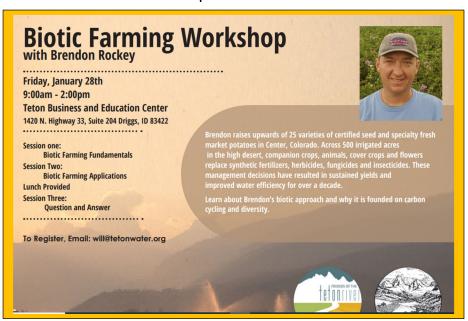




Sunrain Varieties Facilities- small potato storage and drip line irrigation system.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The last three years TSCD has taken advantage of the cold winter months to offer either a soil health workshop with a guest speaker, last year we had a round table discussion with Marlon Winger, that summer we had Ray Archuletta come for two days in June (not summer- lesson learned) in January of 2023 we had guest presenter Brendon Rocky. It was a valuable conversation as he produces potatoes and we have an interest in potatoes in Idaho.





\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*





\*



\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* 米 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Our continuing success of our Soil Health Program-leasing the No Till Drill to our local farms, we also reached many in the community leasing our Plotmaster Seeder to smaller property owners, encouraging a local wildlife forage/grass mix healthy for the soil and wildlife. Currently we are confident that our no till and seeder are important assets to the AG community as well as our neighbors with large lots or yards that need seed and foliage. TSCD is currently adding to this program by offering a unique grazing and pollinator seed mix which Jake Owens with NRCS helped us put together. Offering this at a cost rate and easy access, we hope will keep many of the fallow or empty pieces of ground in our valley with beneficial plants growing year round.

It is important to Teton SCD to reach our youth; we still offer our poster contest as an extracurricular activity for kids in grades 5 & 6. It has been a challenge to get back into the schools' post COVID shut down. We hope to gain access to the high school and get some participation in the speech contest as well.

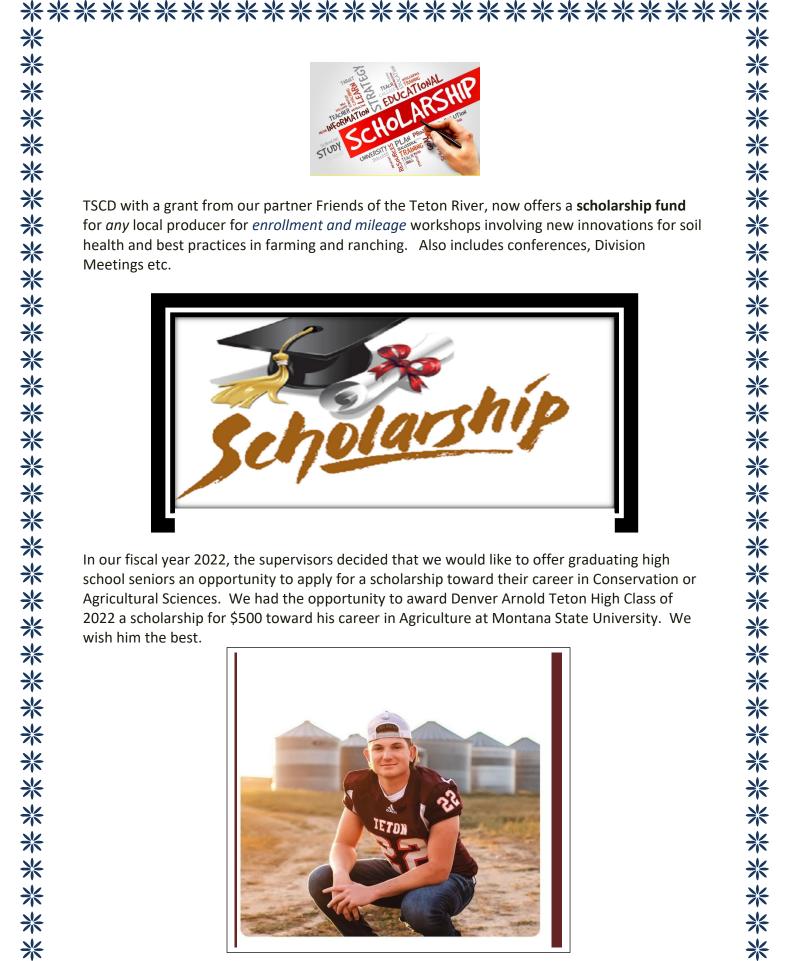
\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*



Teton SCD Supervisors: Nathan Penfold, Harley Hill, Robert Piquet, Ron Hansen, Lynn Bagley

In March in partnership with Teton County Weed Manager Devin Wadsworth, we co-hosted the Annual Weed Workshop. It was moderately attended, but shared valuable information about residential weed management and the community was in attendance.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*





TSCD with a grant from our partner Friends of the Teton River, now offers a scholarship fund for any local producer for enrollment and mileage workshops involving new innovations for soil health and best practices in farming and ranching. Also includes conferences, Division Meetings etc.



In our fiscal year 2022, the supervisors decided that we would like to offer graduating high school seniors an opportunity to apply for a scholarship toward their career in Conservation or Agricultural Sciences. We had the opportunity to award Denver Arnold Teton High Class of 2022 a scholarship for \$500 toward his career in Agriculture at Montana State University. We wish him the best.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*



\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*



### **Teton Soil Conservation Team & Business**

#### FY 2022 Revenue

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

✓ Teton County ID \$ 7,000.00

State of Idaho-Base \$ 9,177.26 State of Idaho-\$ 14,500.00

\$ 30,677.26 **Total Revenue** 

## TETON SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD AND STAFF:

J Lynn Bagley Chairman

Robert Piquet Vice Chairman

Harley Hill Treasurer Ron Hansen Supervisor Nathan Penfold Supervisor

Tina Dean – Office Manager, Outreach Coordinator





Amy Verbeten (left)Farm Tour. Right – Teton Mountains looking over Teton Valley Crops.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# **IDAHO SOIL & WATER** CONSERVATION COMMISSION

# **PERFORMANCE** <u>REPORT</u> **CERTIFICATION**

DISTRICT: TETON	
FOR YEAR:	
FY22	

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. Lynn Bagley **Printed Name** 12-14-2022 208-354-2680 X101

**District Telephone** 

tetonscd@silverstar.com

**District Email Address** 

FOR SWC USE ONLY:

DATE OF CONFIRMATION: