

# Twin Falls Soil & Water Conservation District



**Address:** 1441 Fillmore St. #A  
Twin Falls, ID 83301

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

*Meets first Wednesday of each month*

## Top Five Natural Resource Concerns

1. Water Quantity
2. Water Quality
3. Cropland
4. Rangeland
5. Animal Waste Management

## 2022 Revenue

State Grants and Services:	\$14,500.00
County General Services:	\$8,500.00
Total	\$23,000.00

## Recent Projects



## Clover Pump Co. WQPA

The Twin Falls SWCD is sponsoring a Water Quality Project for Agriculture to modernize a nearly 100-year irrigation system.

The Clover Pump Co. was established in 1915 to deliver water to approximately 4,000 acres above the Twin Falls Canal Company's High Line Canal. Water is lifted from the canal to a pumping station (seen in top photo) and then distributed through a series of increasingly leaky above ground pipes to farms (seen in bottom photo).

Through the Pressure Delivery System WQPA (provided by the ISWCC), will receive \$300,000 to help lay pipe underground and install new pump stations. Cooperators are also converting from surface to sprinkler irrigation systems to help conserve water. In addition to the WQPA, the project has also received a \$3 million Water Smart grant from NRCS.

## **Educational Efforts**

- Continued to administer a five-year project to collect soil testing data from across the Magic Valley. The data will help identify trends and help educate producers. Data from this project was shared at the 2022 IASCD conference.
- Sponsor the Magic Valley Soil Health Forum.
- 106 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade students from two schools participated in the 2022 poster contest.
- Sponsored an environmental education field day for Hollister 4th and 5th graders at the Stricker Ranch/Rock Creek Store historical site.
- Sponsored an environmental education day for Filer 4th graders at Rock Creek Park.
- The 2022 speech contest winner went on to place first at the IASCD speech contest
- Partnered with the Twin Falls Pollinator Council to build planter boxes to showcase pollinator-friendly plant species (see below).



Over 75 people attended a field day at the Todd Ballard Sustainability Demonstration Farm in June. The Twin Falls SWCD co-sponsored this field day with the University of Idaho and The Nature Conservancy.



The Twin Falls SWCD built this widget board for use in the kids area of the Ag Pavilion during the 2022 Twin Falls County Fair. The widget board was not just entertaining, it exposed kids to tools and problem solving.

### **Twin Falls SWCD Supervisors:**

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**PERFORMANCE  
REPORT  
CERTIFICATION**

**DISTRICT:**

Twin Falls 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.

Bill Bitzenburg  
Board Supervisor Signature

Bill Bitzenburg  
Printed Name

12-13-22  
Date

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**DATE OF CONFIRMATION:**