# **Bruneau River**



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Bruneau River Soil Conservation District Board Meetings held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month at 10 am at the Bruneau Emergency Center 32531 Belle St Bruneau, ID 83604

## Bruneau River Soil Conservation District Mission:

To take available technical, financial, and educational resources, whatever their source, and focus or coordinate them so that they meet the needs of the local land user for conservation of soil, water quality, and fish and wildlife habitat.

## Current Projects

- 4,000 acres sprayed to control noxious weeds in partnership with the Eastern Owyhee CWMA and Owyhee County Commissioners.
- Provide Technical and financial assistance to cooperators through NRCS, ISWCC, USFWS, Fish & Game and other funding sources to develop and implement best management practices to conserve the districts renewable natural resources
- Partnered with ISWCC to help sponsor and help administer two WQPA projects.
  - Sprinkler (Surface Irrigation) conversion on 65 acres to center pivot irrigation for Ace Black Ranches in Bruneau, Idaho.
  - 2 miles of open, earthen canal conversion to a buried pipeline for the West Indian Cove Water Company in Hammett Idaho.
  - Provided a contractor to the NRCS Mountain Home field office to help with conservation projects through a cost share grant from NACD in partnership with Elmore Soil & Water Conservation District
  - Administration of Quagga mussel boat check stations in partnership with ISDA and Owyhee County Sheriff's Department at Bruneau and Marsing. Bruneau and Marsing Stations conducted a total of 7,090 boat inspections in 2023. Invasive weed species were found on 23 boats resulting in cleaning and washing the fouled boat. Education of the public was a top priority of the stations in the Clean, Drain, Dry mantra.

### **Top 5 Natural Resource Priorities:**

- 1. Water Quantity
- 2. Water Quality
- 3. Invasive Species and Noxious Weed Control
- 4. Soil Quality Limitation
- 5. Public Outreach

#### FY2023 Revenue

State Base Funding	\$14,500.00
State Match Funding	\$7,757.03
Quagga Station ISDA Invasive Species	\$70,436.00

District Supervisors and Staff		
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