



**Recent projects:**

**Annual Tree Sale**

- Springtime tree sale was a success and has been a great way to meet people that are excited about soil health and wind protection for their properties.

**Range Land Drill**

- We are currently leasing out our rangeland drill. It has planted 1000 acres this year.

**County Fair**

- Our booth this year featured an information table of what Blaine SWCD has to offer Blaine County Land and water users.

**Future Projects:**

**SNOTEL**

- Blaine SWCD has digital readings available from our new SNOTEL Sight for the Iron Mine Area. We just renewed our contract for winter of 2025. Look forward to sharing our readings of our snow Pac from the 5 sights we manage.

**Soil Health Project**

- This 5-year project has several objectives: Evaluate the health of the soils in our area by testing their chemical, physical, and biological properties. Assess the effects of various agricultural practices on soil health, such as planting cover crops, using no-till or reduced tillage, integration of livestock, using manure or compost in addition to or in place of commercial fertilizer, and other practices. Educate producers about the importance of soil health. Track our progress in improving

the health of our soil over a 5-year period.

**Anticipated Receipts**

County Funds \$18,000.00  
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 Total \$18,000.00  
 SCDF Interest \$50.00  
 Tree Sale \$8,500.00  
 Total \$8,550.00  
 State Allocation State Base Funding \$8,500.00  
 Capacity Bldg. Allocation \$800.00  
 Match funding \$24,073.55  
 Total Other \$9,300

**Information**

- BSWCD is working to educate the community to be more aware of the Soil and Water issues that affect Blaine County.
- BSWCD will continue Snow Surveys to provide water reports.
- BSWCD will continue to offer low-cost forage and soil sampling to Blaine County areas.

**Education**

- BSWCD will continue to offer scholarships to Blaine County High school Seniors.
- BSWCD will continue to sponsor the state Envirothon Competition.
- BSCD hosted a Water Quality and Cover Crop Workshop in November.
- BSWCD Hosted a spring Local Working Group meeting with NRCS.

**BSWCD Board of Supervisors & Staff**

Bob Simpson: Chairman  
 Nicholas Purdy: Vice Chairman  
 Dan Ratliff: Secretary/ Treasurer  
 Cassie Lundergreen: Supervisor  
 Kathy Noble: Supervisor  
 Kelsey Barg: Administrative Assistant



Above Left: Blake Matthews presenting to our local landowners. He brought a fabulous presentation from his farm and ranch that is located in Oakley, Idaho.



Above Right: Our Rangeland Drill

Below Right: NRCS Team Lead Jesse Fulmer demonstrates soil quality using the NRCS Soil Health trailer.



**IDAHO SOIL & WATER  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**PERFORMANCE  
REPORT  
CERTIFICATION**

**DISTRICT:** Blaine Soil & Water  
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**FOR YEAR:**

2024

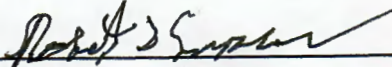
**DUE :**

December 20, 2024

**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.



Board Supervisor Signature

ROBERT L. SIMPSON

Printed Name

12/19/24

Date

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**DATE OF CONFIRMATION:**