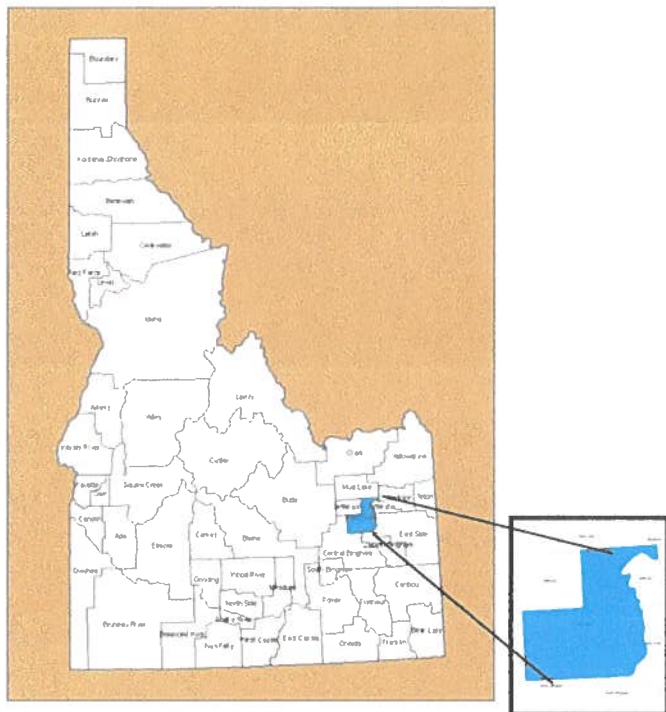


West Side

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SWCD Board Meeting: 1st Tuesday of Month

Top 5 Natural Resource Concerns

1. Wind Erosion Control
2. District Operations
3. Irrigation & Non Irrigation
4. Education & Out Reach
5. Water Quality

West Side Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors

Wade Beckman	Chairman
Gary Dixon	Vice Chairman
Louis Thiel	Supervisor
Mark Hyndman	Supervisor
Eugene Johnson	Supervisor
Jeff Gihring	Supervisor
Joyce Smith	District Administrator

Continuing Recent Project

New Outreach Project and Partnership formed with West Side & East Side SWCD'S and The Community Basket Food Group, Both District's supported the full cost of the project.



The East & West SWCD's added a 2nd high tunnel to the farm in December of 2023 and will be installed in March of 2024. The 2nd high Tunnel will provide much needed space to starting new plants for outside transfer.



Plants already growing and seedlings started to be replanted outside



Ribbon cutting December 1st, 2023 for a 2nd High Tunnel to be installed in March of 2024, Mayor Casper, Matt Woodard, Joyce Smith, Claudia Pine and Nick Kozlowski. A great day to be inside a high tunnel.



Mayor Rebecca Casper, Matt Woodard ES SWCD, Joyce Smith ES/WS Administrator, Claudia Pine, overseer of Happy ville farms, and Nick Kozlowski, NRCS Soils, ready for the 2nd High Tunnel, inside high tunnel # 1 of 2022.

West Side

Soil & Water Conservation District

District Operations & Education Programs

- District Administrative Assistant will continue to attend all available training and provide training to other employees of Division VI. The District Employee and Supervisors will attend or hold public work group meetings, workshops and work with staff from the NRCS, FSA, IASCD, and ISWCC.
- The West Side SWCD will continue to work with the East Side SWCD, local media, and other partners to promote District programs in order to reach the public to encourage participation on community projects.
- The District will continue to provide information and assistance on the Natural Resource Camp, Speech Contest, Poster Contest, Envirothon and IDEA. The District will provide all necessary materials and scholarship funds as needed for students to be able to participate and attend these functions.

SOIL HEALTH WORKSHOP

REGENATIVE AGRICULTURE FEBRUARY 2023

KEITH BURNS GREEN COVER SEED KEY SPEAKER



Future Projects

East and West in conjunction with the Snake River Cutthroats are Partnering on a new fish screen project located in Swan Valley on Rainey Creek



This is a typical drum screen installation, and is being replaced with a more modern and efficient system



Getting ready to set new equipment in place of old one removed



Installing new Diversion equipment, with updated screens And fish returns

Soil Health Workshop February 8th, 2023

Regenerative Agriculture

With Keith Burns from Green Cover Seed as Key Speaker talking about Carbonomics, Marlon Winger on cultural and biological means to manage soil & water resources, and local landowners talking about

Changes they are making and new ways to retain their soil and crops, as well as a Demonstration of a Pilot program on no fence, and succession planning generations of farmers.

With over 200 attending, the workshop was full of informational information.

Both East Side and West Side SWCD's participated in Earth Day 2023

At the farm with tours of the High Tunnel, and project expansion taking place on the property.

All of the Yearly Outreach Projects that Both the East Side and West Side SWCD's participate in were continued with most all of the schools on East Side and West Side with Poster contest and Natural Resource Camp, and water festival.

In June of 2021 The East Side SWCD joined with the West Side SWCD in partnership with The Community Food Basket nonprofit Group called Happyville Farms and will continue with the partnership and hold tours and educational outreach projects.



Celebration of #2 High Tunnel being completed and with New crops growing and increasing the amount of produce to Be given out and used.

**IDAHO SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**PERFORMANCE REPORT
CERTIFICATION**

DISTRICT: WEST SIDE SWCD

FOR FISCAL YEAR:
2024

PERIOD:
July 1, 2023 to June 30 2024

DUE :
DECEMBER 20, 2024

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.

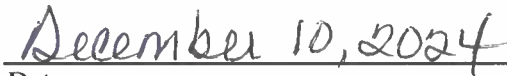
A copy of this Performance Report and supporting documents shall be kept at the District office and is available for public inspection.



Board Supervisor Signature

WADE BECKMAN, Chairman

Printed Name



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