

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

2025 Revenue

State Grants and Services:	\$179,500
County General Services:	\$9,000
Total	\$188,500

Recent Projects



Impromptu no-till field day

The Twin Falls Soil and Water Conservation District held an impromptu field day at Dale Cowger's farm to look at a side-by-side comparison of a corn field with residue to one without.

While it is early in the season, Cowger has been informally checking soil moisture in both fields. The north field, with the residue cover, has been staying wetter and he has been able to run the pivot two days on and four days off. But the south field, where he disked before planting, the water is not infiltrating as deeply and he has kept the pivot running.

Using less water is a high priority for growers on the historically water short Salmon Tract.

Educational Efforts

- Continued to administer the multi-phase Salmon Tract Piping Project.
- Continued to administer the multi-phase Clover Pump Co modernization project.
- Sponsor the Magic Valley Soil Health Forum, held in January 2025 with over 80 attending.
- Approximately 100 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade students from three schools participated in the 2025 poster contest.
- Sponsored an environmental education day for Filer 4th graders at Rock Creek Park.
- Sponsored a speech contest for high school students on the theme: Home is Where the Habitat Is."
- Participated in the Ag Pavilion at the Twin Falls County Fair with a booth and also an Awesome Ag Activity.
- Co-sponsored a soil health tour as part of the Fall Division IV IASCD meeting.



The Twin Falls SWCD sponsored a cover crop project with the University of Idaho at the Kimberly Research and Extension Center to look at cover crop planting dates and species. A tour was held at the site in early October.

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PERFORMANCE
REPORT
CERTIFICATION

DISTRICT:

Twin Falls SWCD

FOR YEAR:

2025

DUE :

December 20,

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

12/19/2025
Date

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DATE OF CONFIRMATION: