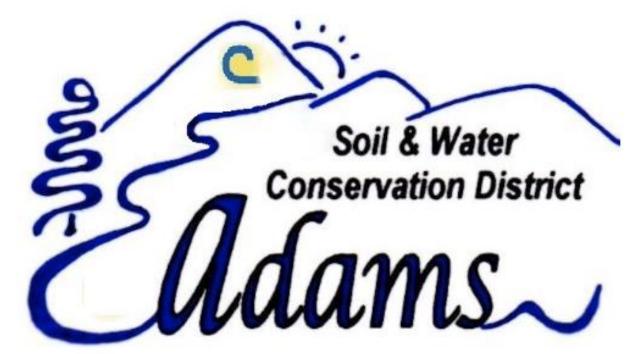


# Adams Soil and Water Conservation District

Board members & Staff: Wendy Green, Judy Dietch, Julie Burkhardt, Kris Stone, Charles Munden, & Holden McKee



## Mission

To use the educational, fiscal and technical resources at our disposal to assist landowners, especially agricultural producers, in putting voluntary resource conservation into practice.

## **Top Five District Priorities:**

- 1. District Operations
- 2. Public Outreach
- 3. Water Quality & Quantity
- 4. Pasture & Hay Land
- 5. Rangelands

### No-Till Drill

- We purchased an Esch No-till Drill for area landowners to rent.
- Using a no-till drill promotes soil health by increasing soil fertility and decreasing soil disturbance.
- 12-foot planting width
- 8'10" transport width making road transport safer
- Foam disc for consistent & accurate seed flow
- Creates 400 pounds of down force per row standard.





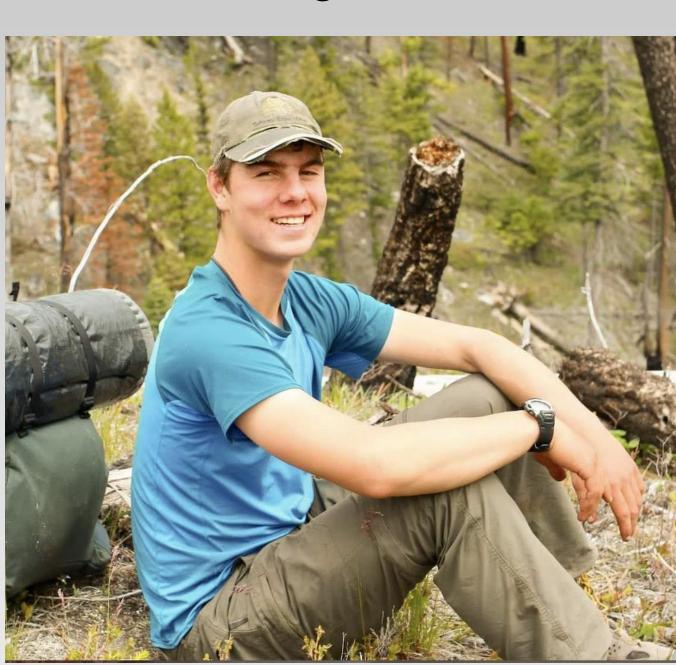
Video sowing the no-till drill changing from towing to planting width

#### Go On Scholarships 2023

Amy Williams, continuing her education in natural resources at the College of Western Idaho



• Levi Armichardy: Pursuing a degree in natural resources at the College of Idaho



• Sam Tharp: Studying agriculture at Treasure Valley Community College.



# **Council Education Resource Crew**

Council Ranger District of the Payette
National Forest launched the CERC program in 2010



• Provides summer jobs for high school students who earn income and gain work experience while completing natural resource projects.



• ASWCD hired the crew for one week for the last three summers to pull noxious weeds, complete native bumble bee surveys, and test water quality of several streams in the Weiser River Watershed



## Other Accomplishments in 2023

- Collaborated with Payette SWCD & other districts to put on the 12th Soil Health Symposium
- Co-sponsored the weed tour with the Adams CWMA and Adams County Weed Control, educating landowners about noxious weeds.
- Co-hosted the Forestry Tour for Southwest Idaho with the Idaho Department of Lands, promoting best practices in forest management
- Participated in the Payette Forest Coalition, Adams CWMA, and Little Salmon River Watershed Collaborative, including helping with community spray days and riparian planting.



## **Looking ahead to 2024**

- Procure grant funds to replace one or more county road culverts
- Support Idaho Envirothon, the Forestry Contest, Ag in the Classroom, UI Natural Resources Camp, and Land & Soil Evaluation competition
- Co-hosting the 13th Soil Health Symposium
- Participating in Little Salmon River Watershed Collaborative
- Encourage and assist landowners with fuels reduction projects on private timber lands
- Award two \$1000 scholarships to local students pursuing post-secondary education in agriculture or natural resources