



Adams Soil and Water Conservation District



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 Board Meetings: 2nd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Top 5 District Priorities:

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

FY 2020 Revenue

State	\$ 18,974
Adams County	\$ 4,000
City of Council	\$ 500
Administering CWMA	\$ 1,520
IDWR Board Grant	\$ 17,227

BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

Julie Burkhardt, Chairman
 Wendy Green, Vice-chair
 Kris Stone, Supervisor
 Judy Dietch, Supervisor
 Charlie Munden, Supervisor
 Pam Madlen, Admin. Assistant

From the Chair

ASWCD welcomed Charlie Munden of Council as supervisor in 2021, bringing our board back to full strength. We are excited to have engaged in several projects this year that are new types of conservation efforts in our District, including partnering with Adams County to replace a culvert to reduce sediment delivery; establishing the pollinator garden and conducting a native bee survey; and serving as cooperator for the Highway 95 Corridor Shared Stewardship project. Numerous agencies and other partners made these projects possible. Meanwhile, the Nez Perce Tribe has launched the Little Salmon Watershed Collaborative, and we plan to become involved with that Meadows Valley group in 2022.

Council Education Resource Crew

CERC gives local high school students the opportunity to gain conservation work experience while earning a paycheck during the summer. The crew is funded by grants through the U.S. Forest Service and ASWCD. This year the CERC participated in the Pollinator Project by spending two days completing four native bumblebee surveys and sharing their data with the Pacific Northwest Bee Atlas Project (<https://www.pnwbumblebeeatlas.org/>) sponsored by bumblebeewatch.org. ASWCD Supervisor Kris Stone guided the CERC. Kris is a retired high school biology teacher whose enthusiasm for teaching natural processes hasn't waned!



Council Pollinator Project



Council Middle School students check on the pollinator plants they grew from seed in the Council School greenhouse as part of the Pollinator Project.

ASWCD partnered with the Council School District and the Council Community Garden for the Pollinator Project. Kids in kindergarten through seventh grades raised a variety of flowering plants that attract a variety of pollinators in the Council School District greenhouses. Seventh graders also created brochures describing each plant, its habitat preferences, and what pollinators they commonly attract. Some plants were transplanted into the Community Garden for the demonstration pollinator garden, while the others were given away at the Elementary Garden Club Plant Sale. Donations generated from the plant sale will be used to buy seed and soil for next year. The brochures were given out with the flowers and posted on the ASWCD website.

Highway 95 Corridor Shared Stewardship

Idaho Department of Lands, Payette National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management needed a cooperator to coordinate the Highway 95 Shared Stewardship Project north of New Meadows. Adams SWCD stepped up to take on this role to work with private landowners within the project area to reduce fuel loads adjacent to public lands. Supervisor Charlie Munden serves as ASWCD liaison. Charlie will work with landowners to create a demonstration site or sites to show other property owners how they can minimize the risk of wildfire and protect their property. Implementation will begin in 2022.

Other Accomplishments in 2021

- Cosponsored the weed tour with the Adams CWMA and Weed Department to educate landowners about noxious weeds
- Secured a grant from Idaho Water Resource Board and partnered with Adams County to replace an aging culvert on North Grays Creek Road to reduce sediment delivery and resource and road damage
- Administered the cost-share funding from the Idaho State Department of Agriculture for the Adams Cooperative Weed Management Area.
- Participated in the Payette Forest Coalition and Adams CWMA.
- Maintained a website and Facebook page about District activities and services (www.adamsconservationdistrict.org).

Looking ahead to 2022

We hope the pandemic will have subsided so that we can again partner with other districts to present the Soil Health Symposium in 2023.

With the help of ISWCC engineer, partner with Adams County to procure grant funds to replace another county road culvert to reduce sedimentation.

The District remains committed to public information and education. The board supports 4-H by contributing to the local add-on fund. We support our local noxious weed tour, Idaho Envirothon, the Forestry Contest, Ag in the Classroom, and UI Natural Resources Camp.

Other plans for 2022 include:

- Purchasing a no-till drill in partnership with Valley Soil Conservation District
- Participating in Little Salmon Watershed Collaborative
- Reaching out to landowners to encourage and assist with fuels reduction projects
- Offering two \$1000 scholarships to local students
- Assisting area landowners with technical and cost-share resources as needed. One focus could be upgrading irrigation infrastructure to conserve water.

**IDAHO SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**FINANCIAL & MATCH REPORT
CERTIFICATION**

DISTRICT:

Adams

FOR FISCAL YEAR:

2021

PERIOD:

JULY 1,

TO JUNE 30,

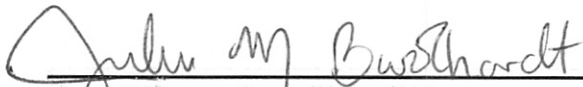
DUE :

August 16, 2021

CERTIFICATION

On behalf of my local Board of Supervisors, I hereby certify that the attached Financial & Match Report is true and accurate, and further submit said Report for the above named District and fiscal year.

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



Board Supervisor Signature

Julie Burkhardt

Printed Name

08/11/2021

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DATE OF CONFIRMATION: