



MEET NEVADA'S 28 CONSERVATION DISTRICTS!

FY 2016 – Nevada Conservation Districts leverage \$112,000 from the annual legislative grant to CDs into \$2,927,172, including in-kind contributions and partner matches:

EVERY \$1 BECAME \$30 BY CDs WORKING TO IMPROVE AND CONSERVE NEVADA!

In Addition, FY 2016, State Conservation Commission offers \$80,000 Sage-Grouse Habitat Grant (\$40,000 from Legislature + \$40,000 from USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service)
12 applications requested \$205,111 of SCC funds; they also brought \$234,937 match, equaling \$440,049 in total project dollar opportunity.

Get in on Nevada's best kept secret!

Nevada's Conservation Districts (CD's) are governmental entities, much like school boards, directed by locally elected volunteer residents and founded, along with 3,000 CD's nationally, in 1937 on the philosophy that conservation decisions should be made at the local level with a focus on voluntary, incentive-based actions. In Nevada, where the federal government administers and manages more than 85% of the land, CD's serve a vital role to connect private and public interests. NRS Chapter 548 gives CD's specific authorities that allow them to be the best mechanism to plan and administer work done to answer local conservation needs.

The Legislative District you represent is found within one or more of Nevada's 28 Conservation Districts. (map on reverse). The State Conservation Commission (SCC) is appointed by the Governor to guide and regulate the CD's, assisted by the DCNR Conservation District Program headed by Tim Rubald. The Nevada Association of Conservation Districts (NvACD) serves as a statewide voice for conservation districts; as a non-governmental entity, NvACD can lobby, unlike the Conservation District Program in DCNR or the SCC, and can speak for all CD Supervisors to bring attention to issues. It also provides forums to train and educate supervisors and recognize outstanding district individuals and programs. More information is available at <http://dcur.nv.gov/conservation-district-program> and <http://nvacd.org>.

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Activities & Projects:

- Lincoln County Conservation District (LCCD) meets every other month; we believe in partnerships and participate and coordinate accordingly between state, private and federal interests at the local and state level. The following entities participate regularly at our meetings: University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Bureau of Land Management, US Fish and Wildlife Service, both the Partners in Conservation Program and Pahrangat National Wildlife Refuge, Nevada Division of Forestry, Nevada Department of Wildlife, Tri-County Weeds, and Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Our intent, beyond accomplishing our own goals and projects, is to create the opportunity where these entities will hear / recognize a need of another that they can assist or act upon. It has actually happened!

- LCCD has completed several Greater Sage-grouse projects using State Conservation Commission Sage-grouse Habitat Grant funds: fence marking and habitat improvement by removal of pinyon-juniper encroachment. Our projects are creating wildlife corridors in the most important Sage-grouse habitat in Lincoln County, on and around Table Mountain. We have created strong, on-going partnerships with other state agencies and local groups, and Caliente BLM plans public land projects to complement our work on private land.
- LCCD offers Conservation District Workshops to provide an ongoing series of informative presentations on a variety of topics of interest to people in Lincoln County with an emphasis toward agriculture and natural resources.
- LCCD provided public comment on our concerns and requesting proper management of Wild Horses to the BLM at the Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council and the National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board meeting in Elko last September.
- LCCD continues to be a driving force in the effort to maintain and improve the Pahrnagat Valley Drain working with landowners and the USFWS to improve drainage and water use in the valley.
- LCCD has worked long and hard with Lincoln County to find funding to proactively maintain/rebuild the Mathews Drop Structure, a CCC-built grade control structure that protects the Panaca meadows and traps sediment that would otherwise create flooding problems in Caliente and along the Union Pacific Railroad route down Meadow Valley Wash. We are still looking for funding but the structure deteriorates more and more each passing year.
- LCCD owns and maintains the office building for UNCE and NRCS in Caliente; the building provides needed space for meetings and educational opportunities.