

2022-2023

ANNUAL REPORT

WITH 2023-2024 PLAN & BUDGET

SHERIDAN COUNTY
CONSERVATION DISTRICT





Protecting Sheridan County's water and land quality through assistance programs, information and outreach, monitoring, and planning.

01 ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Report describes the programs and activities completed by the SCCD from July 2022-June 2023.

08 ANNUAL PLAN

The Annual Plan defines the specific activities intended to satisfy the goals and objectives outlined in the 2020-2024 Long Range Plan.

16 ANNUAL BUDGET

The Annual Budget represents the best estimate of funding necessary and available for program delivery in 2023-2024.

SIGNATURES

The Sheridan County Conservation District Board of Supervisors is committed to providing the residents of Sheridan County a sound natural resource conservation program.

We, the Supervisors of the Sheridan County Conservation District (Sheridan, Wyoming), as duly authorized by Wyoming Conservation District Law, hereby adopt and accept this 2023-2024 Annual Plan on August 1, 2023 as the guideline for work priorities in the Sheridan County Conservation District.

Emerson Scott, Chair

Edith Heyward, Vice Chair

Orrin Connell, Secretary-Treasurer

Stephanie Masters, Supervisor

Annie Addlesperger, Supervisor

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

The foundation of the conservation program is the local office. Sheridan County Conservation District (SCCD) personnel oversee programs and provide technical assistance and other services. SCCD also administers the funding for its programs, most of which is provided through state and federal grants.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Conservation districts are under the direction of a locally elected Board of Supervisors. These supervisors are unpaid volunteers dedicated to providing guidance for local conservation programs and services. In addition to monthly board meetings, supervisors participate in other local, regional, and state meetings, outreach events, and field activities. In 2022, Board Supervisors served on the Board of Managers for the Bridger Plant Material Center, the Bighorn National Forest Steering Committee, and the Acme Working Group.



Stephanie Masters
Supervisor

Orrin Connell
Secretary-Treasurer

Emerson Scott
Chair

Annie Addlesperger
Supervisor

Edith Heyward
Vice Chair

Long term supervisor, Susan Holmes, retired from the Board after serving for 12 years, many of those as Chair. Annie Addlesperger was elected to serve the at-large position during the November general election.

PARTNERSHIPS

District staff continued to coordinate and/or serve as representatives on:

- Sheridan Working Lands Planning Committee
- Northeast Wyoming Invasive Grasses Working Group
- Big Goose Watershed Control Plan Committee
- Chamber Ag and Natural Resources Committee
- WCDEA Annual Training Committee, Area Rep
- Acme Working Group
- Sheridan Tree Board

SCCD AND NRCS STAFF

SCCD works in close partnership with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). SCCD shares office space, equipment, and personnel with the NRCS and often works with the NRCS to help fund projects that cannot be fully funded through USDA programs.



Chelsea Winslow, NRCS
Soil Conservation Technician

Jackie Turner, SCCD
Program Specialist

Andrew Cassiday, NRCS
District Conservationist

Carrie Rogaczewski, SCCD
District Manager

Oakley Ingersoll, NRCS
Soil Conservationist

STAFFING & ADMINISTRATION

SCCD continued their partnership with the Sheridan Community Land Trust (SCLT) in hosting Lila Walker with the Big Sky Watershed Corps through December 2022.

Carrie and Jackie attended various trainings and meetings throughout the year, including:

- 2022 National Brownfields Conference
- NRCS Conservation Planner Training
- NRCS Soil Health & Sustainability for Field Staff
- WACD Area Meeting
- WACD Annual Convention
- Montana Soil Health Symposium
- WACD Employee Certification Training
- NRCS Aquatic Organism Passage Training
- NRCS Local Working Group Meeting
- WCDEA Annual Employee Training
- NRCS Cultural Resources Training
- NRCS Pollinator Conservation Planning

FUNDING

In Wyoming, conservation districts are funded through a variety of sources including mill levies or appropriations, state and federal grants, private grants, and others. In 1987, the Wyoming Legislature authorized conservation districts to impose a tax of up to 1 mill, subject to approval by voters. The mill levy question has been on the ballot in Sheridan County four times from 1990-2008; all attempts failed by a margin of approximately 40-60%. While the SCCD has not ruled out the possibility of another attempt, the current focus is on expanding potential funding through other sources.

SCCD does not receive a mill levy and relies upon grants and local funding sources from Sheridan County, the City of Sheridan, the Towns of Ranchester, Dayton, and Clearmont, and private donations through an annual membership drive.

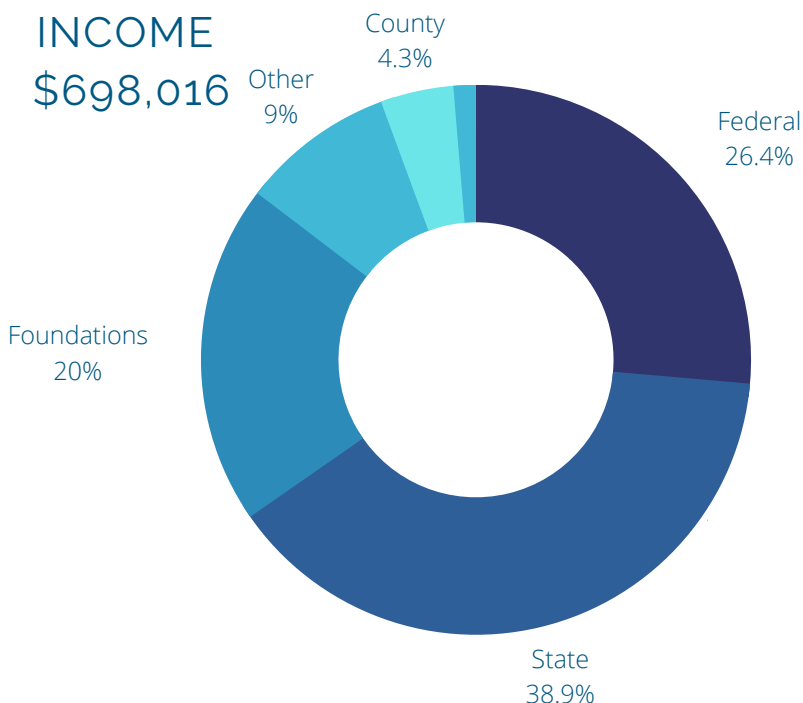
This year, over 60% of SCCD's budget went to on-the-ground projects aimed at improving land and water quality in Sheridan County. As with many special districts in the state, In addition to local and state appropriations, the District administered multiple grants in 2022-2023, including:

- Acme Diversion (WGF, TNC, WWNRT, Musser, NWTF, RLF)
- NACD Technical Assistance Grants
- USDA NRCS Technical Assistance Grants through WY Association of Conservation Districts (WACD)
- USDA NWQI Funding for Goose Creek and Tongue River watersheds
- USEPA Clean Water Act 205j for Hume Draw
- USEPA Clean Water Act 319 Phase 7 Water Quality Improvements/Monitoring/Outreach
- Wolf Creek Charitable Acme Support
- WY Community Foundation Acme Outreach
- WY Dept. of Agriculture Water Quality Grants
- WY WWDO Small Water Project Program

FISCAL YEAR 2023 (JULY 1, 2022-JUNE 30, 2023)

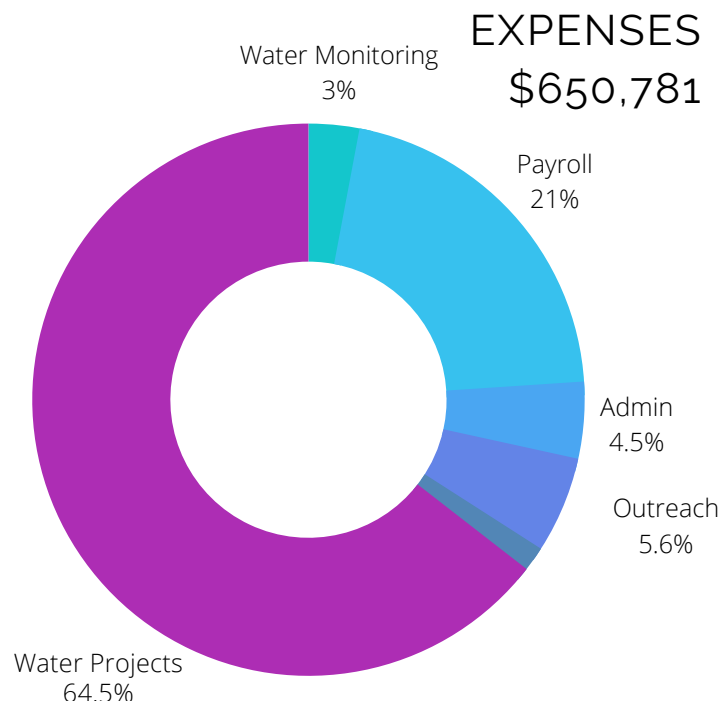
INCOME

\$698,016



EXPENSES

\$650,781



NATURAL RESOURCE PROGRAMS

SCCD and NRCS work together to provide programs that benefit natural resources in Sheridan County. Natural resource needs met through the SCCD and NRCS office include those of water, rangelands, soils, and conservation trees. By addressing resource concerns, the SCCD and NRCS can provide quality technical and financial assistance to land users in Sheridan County.

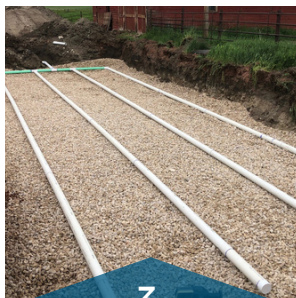
WATER RESOURCES

The top priority for the SCCD is the water resources program. Through this program, the SCCD conducts water quality monitoring and planning efforts and provides technical and cost-share assistance on watershed improvement projects deemed appropriate through monitoring and planning efforts.

WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

The SCCD and NRCS provide cost-share assistance for improvement projects that have a significant benefit to water quality. Technical and cost-share assistance is also provided on projects that improve ecological condition, rangeland health and productivity, and native plant communities through grazing management, stockwater development, fencing or other practices.

From July 2022-June 2023, SCCD provided technical assistance for 13 projects in varying phases of planning or contracting, including eight fencing and/or stockwater projects, two septic system improvements, two diversion projects, and one irrigation infrastructure project. Cost-share funding assistance was provided on nine completed projects (below). Through parts of two NACD Technical Assistance Grants, District staff serviced an additional 46 USDA customers and/or walk-ins and provided support for USDA Program participants including 55 Environmental Quality Incentive (EQIP) contracts, 17 Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) contracts, and design and installation of 175 EQIP practices. In addition, several site visits were completed throughout the year for varying project types.



3 SEPTIC SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

- Prairie Dog Ditch - North Piney Creek
- Meade Creek
- Tongue River



2 FENCING & STOCKWATER

- Upper Prairie Dog Creek
- Lower Prairie Dog Creek



2 IRRIGATION INFRASTRUCTURE

- Gillespie Ditch - Big Goose Creek
- Bard Ditch - Meade Creek



1 STREAMBANK STABILIZATION

- Tongue River - Town of Dayton Wastewater Treatment Plant



1 DIVERSION REMOVAL

- Tongue River - Acme Power Plant Site



WATER RESOURCES

WATER QUALITY MONITORING

SCCD conducts water quality monitoring on the Tongue River, Goose Creek, and Prairie Dog Creek watersheds on a 3-year rotation. The water quality database, which houses all of the District's water quality data collected since 1996, continues to be updated as new data is collected. Interim monitoring was completed in the Tongue River watershed from May-October 2022. Monitoring at eight sites in the Prairie Dog Creek watershed began in May.

WATERSHED PLANNING

The Tongue River, Prairie Dog Creek, and Goose Creek watersheds each have either a TMDL or EPA Watershed-Based Plan in place and continue to be eligible for federal funds through Section 319 of the Clean Water Act. This funding allows the SCCD to continue work with landowners and municipalities in Sheridan County to improve water quality through Best Management Practices (BMPs). The SCCD seeks active local participation in the watershed planning process. Watershed meetings were held in March to review progress towards planned goals.

In partnership with the City of Sheridan, SCCD received a grant to develop an improvement plan for Hume Draw and the associated ponds and wetlands. The District and the City convened a Technical Advisory Team with a kick-off meeting in February 2023, followed by a public meeting. In May, the City hired a consultant to begin compiling existing data and complete field surveys throughout the summer. Information will be used to develop a plan that describes existing conditions and outlines proposed alternatives for improvements to the Hume Draw system that will benefit water quality in Goose Creek.

SOILS

The SCCD and NRCS provide information on and encourage practices for proper top soil management. Landowners are also encouraged to contact the SCCD and NRCS for technical and cost-share assistance on projects that reduce soil loss through irrigation-induced erosion, failing streambanks, or other activities that accelerate erosion.

SCCD and NRCS organized the Sheridan Working Lands Planning Committee to provide an annual soil health event to residents of Sheridan County and beyond. The first Working Lands Workshop was held in August 2022 with over 70 people in attendance. Planning for the 2023 Working Lands Workshop featuring Nicole Masters has been underway much of the year.



OIL RECYCLING

The Used Oil Recycling program provides locations in Clearmont and Dayton for rural residents to recycle used motor oil free of charge. Oil is collected from the tanks by Safety-Kleen out of Casper. 1300 gallons were recycled from the Ranchester tank and 370 gallons from the Clearmont tank, for a total of 1670 gallons recycled, from July 2022-June 2023.



NATURAL RESOURCE PROGRAMS (CONT.)

CONSERVATION TREES

Each fall, the SCCD offers low-cost seedling trees and shrubs for conservation purposes, including living snow fences, windbreaks, wildlife habitat, noise barriers, erosion control, and more. The District sourced seedlings from two nurseries out of North Dakota and continued to partner locally with Piney Island Native Plants to provide perennial pollinator packages.

SCCD sold over 4,700 seedlings this year including 3,515 bareroot seedlings and 1,200 plug seedlings, and 13 perennial pollinator packages. The most popular bareroot species were Honeylocust, American Plum, Common Lilac, and Prairie Sky Poplar. The most popular plugs were Eastern Red Cedar, Aspen, and Rocky Mountain Juniper. In addition, the District provided technical assistance on seven conservation plantings.

LAND USE PLANNING

Sheridan County requires that the SCCD review and provide recommendations for proposed subdivisions. This process entails a review of the plat and soils information from the USDA Soil Survey for the Sheridan County area. SCCD encourages developers to use good conservation practices by offering recommendations on land uses and development, including suitability for certain types of buildings and septic systems. The review and comments are provided to developers for a nominal fee. The District completed five subdivision reviews and soils maps in 2022-2023.

ACME POWER PLANT RECLAMATION PROJECT

Efforts to address contamination of surface soils, groundwater, sediments, and building materials at the former Acme Plant are on-going. The site, currently owned by the SCCD, is a 5-acre island of debris along the Tongue River. In addition to general project coordination, some key milestones were completed in 2022-2023.

AUGUST District manager attended and presented at the National Brownfields Training Conference.

OCTOBER District finalized agreements and workplan documents for the \$85,000 Cleanup Grant for asbestos removal and the \$50,000 sub grant for debris removal and soil cleanup.

EPA consultants conducted future reuse planning work session and site visits.

MARCH District hired WWC Engineering to oversee cleanup activities through a competitive selection process initiated in December 2022.

APRIL Contractors completed removal of the diversion in the Tongue River (some adjustments may be necessary after observing in low flow conditions).

JUNE EPA consultants completed the Market Study and Site Reuse Planning Reports, which were consistent with previous support for uses that enhance outdoor recreation and history.

Consultants prepared draft plans and bid packages for debris and asbestos removal, which are expected to be released in summer of 2023.



INFORMATION & OUTREACH



The information and outreach program encourages the development of conservation practices and a greater respect and appreciation for our natural resources through newsletters, classroom visits, workshops, tours, and demonstration projects.

INFORMATION

The SCCD provides information to the community through a website, a Facebook and Instagram page, a semi-annual newsletter, and annual newsletters for residents living in the Goose Creek, Prairie Dog Creek, and Tongue River watersheds. The SCCD also has a website for the Acme Power Plant Reclamation Project including site history, gallery, recent updates, and other project information.

www.sccdwy.org

www.acmeprojectwyoming.org

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

The SCCD continues to meet natural resource education and outreach goals by offering a variety of water quality, agricultural, and natural resource related activities.

JULY

+ Water quality sampling, Enviroscape demonstrations, and a carbon cycle game with six Sheridan Day Program students

AUGUST

+ Working Lands Lunch and Field Day with 72 attendees

+ Water quality collection with 15 participants at SCLT's Unplugged "Mud, Bugs, and Fish" event



+ Presented on the Acme project at the 2022 National Brownfields Conference

AUGUST

+ Water quality collection with approximately 50 7th graders from Tongue River Middle School

SEPTEMBER

+ Macroinvertebrate sampling with nine students from the Sheridan College Survey of Natural Resources class

OCTOBER

+ Hosted a Happy Horsekeeping Workshop with 14 attendees

+ Water quality, pollution, and habitat demos for approx. 60 5th graders for the Highland Park Field Day



NOVEMBER

+ Assisted with Sheridan's Fall Pumpkin Festival

+ Legislative forum update

JANUARY

+ Presented the 2022 Conservation Partner Awards to Beth White and Susan Holmes



MARCH

+ Provided annual updates to the Towns of Ranchester and Dayton

MAY

+ Water quality and pollution demonstration for approx. 50 4th graders for Sagebrush Outdoor Lab

JUNE

+ Tour of Dayton river project with 12 students in WYRED Camp

ONGOING

+ Quarterly updates to the Sheridan County Commissioners and the City of Sheridan

2022-2023 SUMMARY



DISTRICT OPERATIONS

- Received \$79,448 from local sources including \$28,373 in membership donations and workshop sponsorships and \$10,000 restricted for the Acme Power Plant.
- Applied \$419,702 from state and federal grants for local projects.
- Attended Area Meeting in Newcastle, convention in Cody, employee training in Pinedale, and other various trainings
- District board and/or staff continued to coordinate and serve as representatives on the:
 - Bridger Plant Materials Center Board of Managers
 - Chamber Ag and Natural Resources Committee
 - Bighorn National Forest Steering Committee
 - Sheridan Tree Board



NATURAL RESOURCES

- Completed 2022 interim monitoring in the Tongue River watershed at 13 sites and began 2023 monitoring in the Prairie Dog Creek watershed at eight sites.
- Sold over 4700 seedling trees, including 3,515 bareroot seedlings and 1,200 plug seedlings, and 455 perennials.
- Provided cost-share assistance on:
 - 3 septic system replacements
 - 1 streambank stabilization
 - 2 fencing and stockwater projects
 - 1 diversion removal
 - 2 irrigation infrastructure projects
- Provided additional technical assistance on other potential projects and support for 46 USDA customers, including 55 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), 17 Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) contracts, and design and installation of 175 EQIP practices.
- Recycled 1670 gallons of used oil
- Provided continued coordination of the Acme Power Plant cleanup efforts, including securing federal and state funding resources, participated in National Brownfields Training Conference, and hired consultant to oversee cleanup activities



INFORMATION & OUTREACH

- Provided water quality demonstrations for over 200 students of all ages at various outreach events
- Held the inaugural Working Lands Field Day in August 2022 and began planning for the 2023 Working Lands Workshop w/Nicole Masters



2023 - 2024

ANNUAL PLAN

WITH 2023-2024 BUDGET

SHERIDAN COUNTY
CONSERVATION DISTRICT



DISTRICT OPERATIONS

The foundation of a local conservation program encompasses the human, financial, and technical resources needed to address current and future natural resource challenges. SCCD serves the local community and assists other government agencies, including the NRCS. Board Supervisors and other personnel serve as local representatives of the entire County and are accountable to their constituents.



OBJECTIVES

- Provide information, training, and professional development to enable Board members and staff to make informed decisions, develop policy, and convey a consistent message.
- Uphold a sense of accountability and responsibility among current and prospective Board members and staff through being prepared for board meetings, involved in District events and activities, and informed about local, state, and national current affairs.
- Recognize opportunities to support and partner with local governments, state and federal agencies, and other entities to expand SCCD's capacity to implement programs and outreach, including:
 - Sheridan County
 - City of Sheridan
 - Towns of Ranchester, Dayton, and Clearmont
 - USDA-NRCS
 - Wyoming Department of Agriculture
 - Wyoming Association of Conservation Districts
 - Bridger Plant Materials Center
- Foster positive, regular media relationships with Sheridan Media, Sheridan Press, Bighorn Radio Network, County 3 News, and others to promote programs and improve public awareness.
- Collaborate with NRCS and outside technical resources to increase SCCD's capacity to lead conservation efforts in Sheridan County.
- Use incentives, promotional items, and sponsorships in public events to increase recognition of SCCD's logo and name among the community.
- Pursue direct, local funding from local governments including Sheridan County, the City of Sheridan, and the Towns of Ranchester, Dayton, and Clearmont.
- Augment traditional grant funding sources (CWA 319, WDA WQ) with other creative approaches that expand the scope and type of projects and assistance offered.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS TASKS

ADMINISTRATION & STAFFING

JULY Submit final FY24 budget report

AUGUST Submit financial policies documentation to WDA

SEPTEMBER Review staffing needs; consider adding a position
Participate in board supervisor training

DECEMBER Submit base policies documentation to WDA

JANUARY Perform annual staff evaluations
Dispose of records per the retention schedule
Conduct policy reviews and work session with Board
Initiate Long Range Plan 2025-2029 update

JUNE Submit draft FY25 budget

QUARTERLY Submit reports and payments for Workers
Compensation/Unemployment, sales tax, and payroll
taxes

PARTNERSHIPS & RELATIONSHIPS

QUARTERLY Meet with County Commissioners and City of Sheridan

MONTHLY Participate in Chamber Agriculture and Natural
Resources Committee and Sheridan Tree Board

SEPTEMBER Attend Area I meeting in Kaycee
Provide updates to Sheridan City Council and Clearmont

NOVEMBER Attend WACD Annual Convention in Dubois

MARCH Provide updates to the Towns of Ranchester and Dayton

FUNDING

QUARTERLY Submit reports for NACD TA and Acme grants

MONTHLY Submit reimbursement requests (319, 205j, NWQI, Acme)

AUGUST Submit NACD TA2023 request

SEPTEMBER Submit Final Report for Water Quality Improvement #6
Apply for S.C. Water Quality Improvement #8

OCTOBER Submit MBE/WBE/Financial Reports for 318, 205j, EPA
grants

NOVEMBER Submit WWDO Small Water Project Program applications
Distribute membership renewals

MARCH Submit funding renewals to County, City, and Towns

ONGOING

> Explore options for non-NRCS technical and engineering support to deliver resource improvements

> Identify and participate in professional development opportunities as funding and schedules allow, including:

- + WACD Water Quality Training
- + WACD Certification Training
- + Legislative sessions

> Continue to maintain an effective partnership between SCCD and the Sheridan NRCS office

> Work with local media to publicize programs and meetings

> Explore and continue partnerships with local and state agencies and organizations that may provide options for natural resource protection

> Explore creative funding opportunities through grants and additional partnerships

> Summarize WACD and other updates for board members

INFORMATION & OUTREACH

Information and outreach increases the awareness on potential impacts to natural resources, facilitates positive changes in land management practices, and encourages participation in programs. Information and outreach materials need a thoughtful, direct, and proactive approach that focuses on quality more than quantity. Effective communication among partners and collaborative efforts will ensure delivery of a consistent messaging. Urban and residential audiences need to be able to recognize conservation practices occurring around them, even if they are not direct participants in the program.



OBJECTIVES

- Provide useful and recent technical information on natural resources, practical and/or creative land management practices and technologies, funding programs, projects, deadlines, and other announcements through high quality newsletters, an updated website, and social media.
- Demonstrate soil and water quality concepts, the value of production agriculture, and other conservation themes to local youth, educators, and parents through classroom activities, field days, displays, tours, and other activities.
- Provide presentations and seminars on water quality, land management practices, improvement opportunities, and other conservation topics through local community groups, such as:
 - Sheridan College
 - Chamber Ag and Natural Resources Committee
 - Stockgrowers Association
 - Cattlegrowers' Ag Expo
 - Sheridan Community Land Trust, and others.
- Identify and address specific information needs for small acreage landowners and urban residents to prevent problems that occur with conversion of agriculture land to residential development.
- Include information on relevant topics in newsletters, on website, and on social media, such as:
 - Soil management
 - Horse and livestock grazing management
 - Small acreage challenges
 - Agriculture-food/products
 - Water quality
 - Horse health
 - Irrigation water management
 - Urban impacts, and more.

INFORMATION & OUTREACH TASKS

MONTHLY Submit press release on District activities

QUARTERLY Provide updates/interviews on Sheridan Media's Public Pulse radio program

JULY Discuss water quality sampling and programs with Tongue River Middle School 8th grade students for research fair project ideas

AUGUST Demonstrate water quality monitoring activities for Sheridan Community Land Trust's Unplugged event

Participate on Leadership Sheridan County natural resources panel

Host annual Working Lands Workshop and Field Day

SEPTEMBER Publish the Annual Report as an insert in the Sheridan Press

Demonstrate macroinvertebrate collection and habitat assessments for Sheridan College Survey of Natural Resources Management

Demonstrate the water cycle for fourth graders at Sheridan County Cattle Women's Ag Expo

Collect water quality samples with Tongue River Middle School science classes at Ranchester pond

OCTOBER Host field day for Highland Park 5th grade students on water quality and habitat

NOVEMBER Develop and distribute semi-annual newsletter

DECEMBER Update informational display posters and watershed progress registers

JANUARY Distribute annual watershed newsletters to residents in the Goose Creek, Tongue River, and Prairie Dog Creek watersheds

MAY Develop and distribute semi-annual newsletter

Demonstrate point and non-point source pollution for fourth graders at Sagebrush Outdoor Lab

Re-establish annual open house and community outreach for soil and water stewardship week

ONGOING

> Update and maintain SCCD's Facebook, Instagram, and website

> Provide information on issues and project updates through social media

> Collaborate with the Northeast Wyoming Invasive Grasses Working Group on educational opportunities to help locate and control Ventenata and Medusahead

> Coordinate and participate in the Chamber Ag and Natural Resources committee's Lunchtime Conversations series

> Coordinate Sheridan Working Lands Planning Committee meetings and plan for future soil health events

> Participate in Third Thursday Street Festival to promote awareness of impacts on stormwater runoff as staffing and schedules allow

> Participate in other community events, like Dayton Days, as time allows

NATURAL RESOURCE PROGRAMS

Technical and financial assistance programs enable landowners to implement land use practices to improve water and land quality. This involves more than just agriculture producers; urban and rural subdivision residents also have an impact. Healthy lands not only provide benefits to water quality, but also improve forage quality for livestock and offer valuable wildlife habitat.



OBJECTIVES

- Coordinate watershed monitoring, planning, and improvement efforts through implementation and/or updates to Watershed-Based Plans and/or TMDLs on Tongue River, Goose Creek, and Prairie Dog Creek.
- Provide assistance on watershed improvement projects, including:
 - Livestock confinement and feeding grounds
 - Septic systems
 - Riparian improvements
 - Urban and residential runoff
 - Irrigation diversions
 - Streambank vegetation
 - Streambank stabilization
 - And other programs as appropriate.
- Provide assistance on range projects that improve ecological conditions and rangeland health/productivity through grazing management and/or animal distribution through stockwater development, fencing, or other practices.
- Provide assistance on other projects that improve species composition, habitat and forage quality in riparian corridors and uplands through removal and treatment of Russian Olive, annual grasses, and other invasive species.
- Promote tree planting for conservation purposes through the local tree program and partnerships with Wyoming State Forestry, Wyoming Department of Transportation, and the Sheridan Tree Board.
- Promote recycling of used oil through partnerships with local municipalities and rural recycling facilities.
- Facilitate long-term assessment, reclamation, and redevelopment planning for the former Acme Power Plant through coordination of the Acme Working Group and other partners and participation in the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Voluntary Remediation Program and US Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Programs.

NATURAL RESOURCE PROGRAM TASKS

WATER RESOURCES

- JULY** Submit 2022 Tongue River monitoring report to WDEQ
Advertise fall project application deadline
- SEPTEMBER** Prioritize and allocate project funding
Close out Acme Tongue River diversion project
- OCTOBER** Incorporate WDEQ comments into 2022 Tongue River and 2021 Goose Creek monitoring reports
- DECEMBER** Host Hume Draw assessment public update meeting
- JANUARY** Submit 2023 Prairie Dog Creek report to WDEQ
Submit draft readiness report for Tongue River NWQI
Advertise spring project application deadline
- FEBRUARY** Initiate 2024 Goose Creek monitoring
- MARCH** Hold annual watershed meetings
Prioritize and allocate project funding

ACME BROWNFIELD RECLAMATION

- JULY** Submit SHPO Section 106 Review documents to EPA
- AUGUST** Solicit bids for debris removal and asbestos abatement
- SEPTEMBER** Update community involvement plan
- OCTOBER** Hold Acme Working Group meeting and/or update
Participate in SCLT Explore History and kickoff fundraising campaign
Initiate debris removal and asbestos abatement

OTHER PROGRAMS

- JULY** Perform inspection and maintenance of oil tanks
- OCTOBER** Renew oil tank agreements; perform inspection and maintenance of tanks.
- NOVEMBER** Begin accepting seedling and perennial orders
- MAY** Coordinate seedling and perennial order pick up

ONGOING

- > Continue to support the City of Sheridan's efforts to restore stream function in Goose Creek
- > Provide input on NRCS program plans and contracts
- > Continue to participate in and/or serve on local groups, including:
 - + Watershed steering committees
 - + Bighorn National Forest Steering Committee
 - + Bridger Plant Material Center Board of Managers
 - + Chamber of Commerce Ag and Natural Resources Committee
 - + Big Goose Watershed Control Plan Committee
 - + Sheridan Tree Board
 - + Acme Working Group
- > Provide financial and technical assistance through partnership with NRCS for improvement projects
- > Provide input on Sheridan County Hazard Mitigation Plan
- > Complete subdivision reviews and recommendations as requested

2023-2024 ANNUAL BUDGET

INCOME

CITY & TOWN.....	\$11,700.00
STATE & COUNTY.....	\$38,824.00
CITY/COUNTY RESTRICTED.....	\$35,000.00
ADMINISTRATION (INTEREST & REGISTRATIONS)	\$10,750.00
MEMBERSHIP, SPONSORSHIPS, & OTHER DONATIONS.....	\$24,000.00
SUBDIVISION REVIEW FEES & TREE SALES.....	\$13,100.00
STATE GRANTS.....	\$271,942.80
FEDERAL GRANTS.....	\$435,771.42
PRIVATE/FOUNDATION GRANTS.....	\$30,000.00

TOTAL INCOME..... \$871,088.22

CASH ON HAND AS OF JULY 1, 2023*	\$38,479.46
RESERVES ON HAND AS OF JULY 1, 2023.....	\$34,010.00

*Includes carryover restricted project funds

EXPENSES

PAYROLL.....	\$135,460.00
PAYROLL LIABILITIES.....	\$23,897.00
OTHER INSURANCE.....	\$2,100.00
ADMINISTRATION.....	\$25,157.00
LOCAL OUTREACH.....	\$31,200.00
SPECIAL PROJECTS.....	\$230,000.00
PROGRAMS & SERVICES.....	\$428,194.00
OPERATING EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES.....	\$2,000.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY.....	\$0.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES..... \$878,008.00

CASH ON HAND AS OF JUNE 30, 2024*	\$20,569.68
RESERVES ON HAND AS OF JUNE 30, 2024.....	\$45,000.00

*Includes carryover restricted project funds