2024 Report of Accomplishments Central Curry Soil & Water Conservation District

Mission of the Central Curry Soil and Water Conservation District

Conserving and developing the natural resources.

District Wide Projects

- The Central Curry SWCD continues to have a very active windbreak program.
 Central Curry sells drip supplies, weed barrier, as well as provides technical assistance to cooperators in the district.
- Central Curry continues to care for the living snow fence that we installed in April 2008. This project is located on the north side of NM 241, located 5 miles east of Broadview, NM. This area creates a considerable challenge for motorists as well as state highway personnel during the winter months when blowing snow results in highway closure. The goal of this endeavor is to protect the highway from blowing snow and to save taxpayers' dollars when the State Highway Department no longer has to remove snow.
- Central Curry is offering the producers of the area an opportunity to restore playas in the area with a Playa Restoration Cost Share Program. The program assists producers in filling in pits, channel remediation, silt removal and more.
- Central Curry is offering a Rain Water Harvesting Cost-share to its producers. The cost-share assists producers in conserving water and using channeling our natural resources for the greater good. This program is currently funded through a grant received from the SWCC.
- Central Curry is also assisting in other water conservation efforts by offering a Shade Ball Cost-Share. Through this cost-share producers have been able to cut done on water evaporation and usage.
- Central Curry is currently working with the Ogallala Land & Water Conservancy to conserve water in the area so that it does not deplete as quickly to preserve the area for many more days to come.

Information/Education

- Central Curry SWCD sponsored education contests through FFA and 4-H. Other events sponsored were Prairie Partners, Envirothon and High Plains Coop. Weed Management.
- Central Curry helped sponsor the Legislative Event.
- Central Curry helps to promote the Healthy Soil Program grant with producers in the area.
- Erik attended multiple meetings concerning Noxious Weed Training.
- Meetings that the supervisors attended or did presentations at include:
 - NMSU Ag Field Day
 - District Annual Meeting
 - NMACD Meeting
 - Playa Lake Joint Venture
 - o Prairie Partners

- Ogallala Land & Water Conservancy
- Water Policy Advisory Board
- o El Llano Estacado RC&D
- Water Policy Trust

Interaction and Networking Efforts

- The board members have a wide variety of experience and education in the area of conservation of natural resources. From actual hands on experience from their own land practices to their job duties at the State Land Office and the NMSU Ag Experiment Station in Clovis. This relationship has allowed the current and upcoming needs of local producers to be better addressed.
- The board members also hold positions on numerous boards in the area including the Ogallala Land & Water Conservancy, NMSU Ag Science Center, El Llano Resource Conservation & Development, Clovis Farmer's Market, Soil & Water Conservation Commission, Curry Co. FSA Committee and many more.

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