

Canadian River Soil and Water Conservation District



Annual Report

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SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS are governmental Subdivisions of the State of New Mexico, organized under state law, Chapter 73, Article 20.

THE CANADIAN RIVER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT was created under the Laws of the State of New Mexico and Referendum on March 17, 1939. The Certificate of Organization was issued by The State of New Mexico on April 26, 1939.

The Canadian River Soil and Water Conservation District is located in Eastern New Mexico and encompasses approximately 1,693,115 acres of Quay, Harding, and San Miguel Counties.

OUR VISION

Local people working together, with District Leadership, to promote soil and water conservation.

OUR MISSION

To utilize technical, financial, and educational resources to meet the needs of the local land manager with conservation of soil, water, and related natural resources.

Canadian River Soil and Water Conservation District Long Range Plan **Action Plan**

Strategic Priority: Watersheds and rangeland are degraded due to invasive brush species and other invasive weed species.

Goal: Work to improve the integrity of watersheds and rangeland by brush and invasive weed control.

Action	When	Who	Completed
Hold at least 3 local program meetings with landowners to keep them informed of program	2008-2025	SWCD Board & NRCS	Ongoing
Publish/Display results of projects as they progress	As Progress	Manager	Ongoing
Provide Backpack Sprayers for cooperators to use	2011	SWCD Board	Ongoing
Rental Use of Two Spray Rigs available to public to Control Invasive Weed Species	2013	Quay County Extension Office	Ongoing
Educational Video on the Use of the Spray Rigs and Chemical Info. Quay County Extension Website with Link to NMSU Ag Science Center	2015	NMSU Ag, Quay County Extension, CRSWCD	Ongoing

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Strategic Priority: A lack of outdoor education facilities limits hands-on experience for students

Goal: Outdoor classroom is ready to be used by Tucumcari and surrounding schools and will continue to be enhanced to meet the needs of students.

Action	When	Who	Completed
Maintain Landscape, mounds and water drainage rip-rapped.	2013	SWCD & NRCS	Annually
Maintain pathways-outdoor classroom	2012	SWCD/NRCS/City	Annually
Maintain placement of large rocks in proper place	2011	Arch Hurley	Annually
Xeriscape Garden	2013	Altrusa/SWCD, DAR	Replace plants lost by drought, Ongoing
Education and information developed for newspaper and radio <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Educational Brochure o News articles about Outdoor Classroom o Activities sent to newspaper & radio station 	Ongoing	NRCS	Ongoing
	Ongoing	SWCD/NRCS	Brochure Completed 2014
	Ongoing	Outdoor Classroom Committee	Ongoing
Secure Joint Powers Agreement between CRSWCD, city and other joint powers.	2013	Outdoor Classroom Committee	Ongoing
Replace, Maintain, and Repair Drip System	2011	SWCD, NRCS, Volunteers	Ongoing
Replace Windbreak Trees, as Needed Yearly	2012	SWCD, Altrusa	Ongoing
Maintain & Repair Erosion Control Structure	2013	SWCD	Ongoing
Line Pond with Bentonite	2017-2019	SWCD, Arch Hurley	Completed
Assist Rotary with grant application for xeriscape plants	2018	Rotary Club, NRCS, SWCD	Ongoing
Build Shade Cover for Kiva Classrooms	2019	Community Service Organizations, SWCD Volunteers	Ongoing

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Strategic Priority: Outreach – Canadian River Soil and Water Conservation district is committed to educating students and adults on Natural Resource issues and Conservation.

Goal: Well informed students and adults engaged in local conservation

Action	When	Who	Completed
Assist Tucumcari School Greenhouse	As Requested	SWCD	As Requested
Ag in the Classroom o Water Trailer	As Requested	SWCD	Annually
Co-sponsor and participate in Ag Science Field Day	August	SWCD	Annually
Co-sponsor Agriculture, Consumer Science & Culinary Arts Seminar in Tucumcari o Display booth	Career Days	SWCD	Annually
Soil Stewardship week o Conservation Presentation to School o Annual Poster Contest o Trophies presented to winners at award assembly	April-May April May	SWCD/NRCS SWCD/NRCS SWCD/NRCS	Annually Annually Annually
Quay County Fair o Fair Booth	August	SWCD	Annually
Supervisor Training o Send Supervisors and/or Assistant	As Provided	SWCD	Annually
Support and/or co-sponsor other education activities as the District may be requested.	As Requested	SWCD	Annually
Landscape at Tucumcari Depot	March 2013	SWCD/Tucumcari Main Street Project/Extension Service	As Requested
Support New Mexico Envirothon, FFA, 4H, Youth Management Ranch o Recruit and sponsor youth o Provide financial support	April - May	SWCD	Annually

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Strategic Priority: Wind erosion continues to cause damage to crops and homes

Goal: Canadian River Soil and Water Conservation District will assist at least 15% of the producers within the district, annually, with windbreaks & tree planting to improve esthetics and provide wind protection.

Action	When	Who	Completed
Provide drip system parts and weed barrier fabric at reasonable prices	Continually	SWCD	Completed Annually
Encourage planting Xeriscape Plants to save water & prevent wind erosion	Annually	SWCD	Completed Annually
Provide tree planter at reasonable price to plant seedlings up to 5ft. trees	Continually	SWCD	Completed Annually
OTHER WIND EROSION ACTIVITIES			
Provide 2 Grass Drills for use of cooperators at a reasonable price	Continually	SWCD	Completed Annually
Co-sponsor and participate in meetings/programs teaching better ways to reduce wind and water erosion	As requested	SWCD/NRCS	Completed Annually

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