



FY2014 (7/1/13 – 6/30/14) Annual Work Plan Lewis County Conservation District



Critter Pad

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Mission of the Lewis County Conservation District

- *To provide technical, educational and financial assistance for the conservation, protection and development of natural resources within Lewis County.*

Natural Resource Priorities

- *Water Quality: Provide protection and restoration of water quality in Lewis County. Lower the number of stream segments in Lewis County on the 303d list by 2020. Assist the Department of Ecology, the Department of Agriculture and the Conservation Commission in completing projects in the detailed implementation plans for the Chehalis River TMDL's.*
- *Salmon Recovery: Provide technical and financial assistance to replace fish barriers to open up at least 28 miles of spawning and/or rearing habitat by 2020. Assist landowners with fish habitat projects. These projects are documented as high priority in the Salmon Recovery Plans for the Chehalis and Cowlitz Watersheds. We will work with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office, the Washington State Parks and Recreation Office, and the Conservation Commission to implement these projects.*
- *Flood Control and Water Quantity: Continue to pursue flood control options by attending meetings and applying for funds as eligible sources are found. Work with landowners and agencies to pursue water retention projects. Flood assistance projects include but are not limited to evacuation routes, critter pads and equipment pads. We will work with the local Flood Authority and the Conservation Commission to fund and implement these projects.*

Program Areas: **Water Quality**

Goal(s): *Provide protection and restoration of water quality in Lewis County. Lower the number of stream segments in Lewis County on the 303d list by 2020.*

Funding Source(s): Conservation Commission

Activities for FY2014	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time (Days) Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Provide technical assistance to cooperators in the Upper Chehalis Basin including but not limited to conservation planning and taking pictures of cost shared items funded since July1, 2004.	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	<i>Wilson, Verd, Amrine</i>	120	49,620	
Provide technical assistance to cooperators in the Cowlitz River Basin in Lewis County including but not limited to conservation planning and taking pictures of cost shared items funded since July 1, 2004.	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	<i>Wilson, Verd, Amrine</i>	65	26,878	
Provide cost share to cooperators within the Lewis County Conservation District.	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	<i>Board, Amrine</i>	n/a	75,000.	
Grant Administration	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	<i>Amrine, Ames</i>	20	8,270	



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CREP site with fence and watering facility

Natural Resource Priority Program Area: Water Quality - CREP

Goal(s): To establish natural riparian conditions along salmon bearing streams by developing and implementing CREP plans.

Natural Resource Measurable Result Objective: A minimum of 1 mile of stream banks will be planted with native vegetation.

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective: A minimum of 10 contracts will be signed with cooperators.

Funding Source(s): Washington State Conservation Commission and the Washington State Department of Ecology

Activities for FY2014	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Provide technical assistance to existing CREP cooperators in Lewis and Grays Harbor Counties. Will also assist Thurston and Pacific Conservation Districts with CREP.	7/1/13 – 6/30-/14	Amrine, Wilson	140	57,890	
Work with cooperators to enroll additional acres into CREP in Lewis, Pacific, Thurston and Grays Harbor Counties	7/1/13 – 6/30-/14	Amrine, Wilson	140	57,890	
Provide cost share and maintenance to cooperators	7/1/13 – 6/30-/14	Amrine, Wilson	n/a		
Grant Administration	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Wilson, Ames	20	8,270	

Natural Resource Priority Program Area: Salmon Recovery Program

Goal(s): Provide technical and financial assistance to replace fish barriers to open up at least 28 miles of spawning and/or rearing habitat by 2020. Work with cooperators to design and implement habitat projects.

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective: Provide technical and financial assistance to replace fish barriers to open up at least 28 miles of spawning and/or rearing habitat by 2020.

Funding Source(s): Salmon Recovery Funding Board, United States Fish & Wildlife Service, Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office, Family Forest Fish Passage Program, the Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission and the Chehalis Confederated Tribe.

Activities for FY2014	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Administration and engineering for projects	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Ames, Verd, Wilson, Moore	40	16,450	
Complete barrier evaluations	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Verd, Wilson	40	16,450.	
Monitoring of previous culvert replacements	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Verd, Wilson	10	4,135	
Provide Cost share to remove fish barriers and replace with larger culverts or bridges and other habitat projects that may be funded	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Wilson, Verd, Ames, Board	n/a	\$133,800.	



Natural Resource Priority Program Area: Flood Control and Water Quantity

Goal(s): Continue to pursue flood control options by attending meetings and applying for funds as eligible sources are found.

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective: Reduce damage from flood events and increase summer flows

Funding Source(s): Washington State Legislature, Flood Authority, Washington State Conservation Commission

Activities for FY2014	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Hold meetings to continue the CRM process in the Chehalis Basin	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Ames, Verd, Wilson, Moore	20	8,270	
Attend pertinent meetings	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Verd, Wilson, Board	15	6,202	
Apply for funding to reach goals	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Verd, Wilson	10	4,135	
Design and construct critter pads, equipment pads, evacuation routes or other projects that help reduce flood damages	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Wilson, Verd, Moore	40	16,540	
Design and construct habitat/ bank stabilization projects	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Wilson, Verd, Moore	20	8,270	



Starting critter pad construction



Sheep not worried about the next flood



Almost completed critter pad for sheep

Program Area: Education and Outreach

Goal(s): Attend meetings. Provide classroom presentations, run newspaper articles and manage annual Southwest Washington Fair display to advertise District capabilities, achievements and the importance of protecting and restoring natural resources in Lewis County.

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective: Relay our message to over 50% of the residents by 2018.

Funding Source(s): Washington State Conservation Commission and the Washington State Department of Ecology

Activities for FY2014	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Promote natural resource/water quality education through participation in community events	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Verd, Wilson	10	4,135	
Provide District displays for a minimum of 1 community event. (SWWF)	August 2013	Amrine, Verd, Wilson	12	4,962	
Attend various community meetings to promote District partnerships and programs	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Verd, Wilson	40	16,540	



Program Area: District Operations

Goal(s): Continue effective and efficient operations including grant vouchering, personnel management, Supervisor elections & appointments, training & development, annual planning, participating with other agencies and reporting.

Funding Source(s): Washington State Conservation Commission

Activities for FY2014	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Develop Memorandum of Understandings	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine,	5	2,067	
Develop the Annual Plan and complete the Annual Report of Accomplishments	September 2013 and May 2014	Amrine, Ames	5	2,067	
Attend Annual Meeting, Election , Area Association Meeting, WACD Meeting	7/1/13 – 6/30/14	Amrine, Verd, Wilson, Ames, Board	5	2,067	
Local Work Group Meetings NRCS – Federal Programs	Ongoing	Amrine, Board	2	827	
Standing Committees: Personnel, No Till Drill, manure Spreaders	Ongoing	Amrine, Board	5	2,067	
Staff: Training plans, training sessions & performance reviews	Ongoing	Board, Amrine	12	4,962	
Financial Management: Annual budget, monthly payroll, grant vouchering, travel, quarterly and annual reports	Ongoing	Board, Amrine, Ames	132	54,582	
Develop other funding sources	Ongoing	Amrine, Verd, Wilson, Ames	10	4,135	



FY2013 Annual Budget (7/1/13 – 6/30/14)
Lewis County Conservation District

INCOME		EXPENSES	
US Fish Wildlife	\$ 29,000.00	Salaries & Benefits	\$ 323,382.00
RCO/SRFB/FFFPP	163,270	Supplies	3,500.00
CC/Basic Funding	12,500.00	Communication	500.00
CC/CREP Tech, CREP Cost Share, Implementation, Engineering	268,618.00	Insurance	4,500.00
Dept. of Ecology	83,333.00	Rent	26,700.00
No Till Drill	1,230.00	Repairs/Maintenance	1,000.00
Manure Spreader Rent	1,000.00	Professional Services	14,666.00
Cat 3 Cost Share	75,000.00	Miscellaneous/Dues etc.	5,000.00
Interest	1,300.00	Fuel	2,515.00
		Travel	3,250.00
		CREP Cost Share/Maintenance	40,738.00
		Culvert Replacement	133,800.00
		Cat 3 cost share	75,000.00
		Employee Training	700.00
TOTAL	\$635,251.00	TOTAL	\$635,251.00