



FY2015 (7/1/14 – 6/30/15) Annual Work Plan Grant County Conservation District



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Mission of the Grant County Conservation District

The Grant County Conservation District addresses local natural resource conservation issues by creating local working solutions through education, providing technical assistance and financial assistance within the Grant Conservation District land occupiers in the voluntary implementation of Best Management Practices.

Natural Resource Priorities

- Ground Water Quality and Quantity
- Animal Feeding Operations
- Energy and GAP Audits
- Soil Conditions
- Small Farm Operations
- Recreation and Wildlife Projects
- Technical Service Provider
- Shoreline Management Moses Lake
- Ground Water Management Area
- Air Quality
- Education and Outreach
- District Structure and Operations

Program Areas: *Ground Water Quantity and Quality.*

Goal(s): *By June 1, 2014 sign up 150,000 in the Irrigation Water Management Program to educate water and power savings. Work with the Grant County Public Utility District for future funding. By January 2016 increase the number of plans and plan updates for nutrient management and sources of pollution or runoff.*

Funding Source(s): *Grant County Public Utility District, Washington State Conservation Commission and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Provide Irrigation Water Management Technical Assistance, cost share and education for 150,000 acres and increase those acres to 160,000 by January 2014.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Carl Evans Marie Lotz	836 57	\$72,000	Continue to work with GCPUD
Implement 10 cost share projects.	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	200 57	\$148,500	
Implement 3 natural resource plans for potential or pollutant water run-off.	8/1/14 – 6/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Carl Evans Marie Lotz	120 42 57	\$10,000	

Pursue funding to implement BMP's ground water quality issues for orchardist and vineyards.	9/1/14 – 6/30/15	Lyle Stotlman Carl Evans Marie Lotz	152 42 57	\$10,000	
Seek funding for those producers whose livestock are in canals and watersheds for BMP's.	9/1/14 - 6/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	152 57	\$9,400	
Assist with other agencies on complaints or fines with an operator.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz Lyle Stoltman	57 152	\$5,267	
Work with engineers and agencies for shoreline stabilization on Moses Lake lake.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Gretchen Fitzgerald Marie Lotz	80 57	\$6,134	
Cost share assistance for shoreline stabilization	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Gretchen Fitzgerald Marie Lotz	10 5	\$22,000	

Program Areas: *Animal Feeding Operations*

Goal(s): *Continue education program for operators on AFO regulations. Develop plans for new operations and update current plans approved in the past. Provide engineering services and cost share assistance.*

Funding Source(s): *Washington State Conservation Commission and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Provide assistance and develop plans for new dairies and feedlots.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	152 57	\$9,600	
Continue education program for 8 operators on AFO regulations and assist in plan updates.	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	192 57	\$11,424	
Provide engineering assistance for 10 operators.	8/1/2014 – 6/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	112 57	\$14,850	Work with Franklin CD
Seek and cost share on projects for 10 operators.	7/1/14 – 3/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	290 57	\$148,500	
Assist with other agencies on complaints or fines with operator.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Lyle Stotlman Marie Lotz	77 57	\$6,179	

Program Areas: *Energy and GAP Audits*

Goal(s): *By June 30, 2015 implement energy audits and work with Department of Ag on GAP Audits.*

Funding Source(s): *Washington State Conservation Commission, Natural Resources Conservation Services, Department of Ag, WA State University and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Work with NRCS and partners to implement staff training and certification for Energy Audits.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Harold Crose Carl Evans Marie Lotz	200 200 57	\$18,321	Work with NRCS

Look into GAP Audits to fulfill the need for reliable staff to perform on the site audits with DOA.	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Harold Crose Marie Lotz Kris Proszack	80 57 100	\$6,629	Work with Department of Ag
No-Till Drill Rental	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz	3	\$120	Work with WSU

Program Areas: *Soil Conditions*

Goal(s): *By June 30, 2015 start an annual Soil Workshop.*

Funding Source(s): *Washington State University, Okanogan Conservation District and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Work with WSU and other agencies to have an educational conference on soil quality and quantity.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Marie Lotz Carl Evans	57 42	\$3,875	Work with WSU
Provide rental on a no-till planter.	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Marie Lotz	57	\$2,667	MOU with WSU
Respond to request from other agencies on wind erosion and dust control.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz Lyle Stoltman	57 112	\$7,775	
Cover Crop Trial with Okanogan CD	10/1/14 – 6/30/18	Carl Evans	180	\$7,412	Work with Okanogan CD
No-Till Drill Rental	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz	3	\$120	Work with WSU

Program Areas: *Small Farms Operations*

Goal(s): *Visit 10 small farm operations and help educate or provide assistance for best management practices.*

Funding Source(s): *Washington State Conservation Commission and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Visit 5 operators with small farms and seek assistance or cost share for best management practices.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	122 57	\$8,231	
Provide cost share assistance for 3 small farm operations for best management practices.	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	82 57	\$10,407	

Program Areas: *Recreational and Wildlife Projects*

Goal(s): *Continue to work with other agencies in providing technical assistance or cost share for projects for the wildlife and recreational areas.*

Funding Source(s): *Natural Resources Conservation Services, WA Department of Fish & Wildlife and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Work with NRCS as TSP for wildlife plans.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Gretchen Fitzgerald Marie Lotz	170 57	\$10,000	Continue to work with NRCS
Work with other agencies on projects or resource concerns.	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Gretchen Fitzgerald Marie Lotz	40 57	\$4,400	
Work with WDFW on Artificial Burrow Placement at Historic Locations	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Gretchen Fitzgerald Marie Lotz	80 57	\$6,134	Work with WDFW

Program Areas: *Technical Service Provider*

Goal(s): *Continue to work with NRCS in assistance Grant CD staff can help with.*

Funding Source(s): *Natural Resources Conservation Service and WA State Conservation Commission.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Continue to provide technical staff for, RMS, CRP and other programs.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Gretchen Fitzgerald Cindi Harr Carl Evans Marie Lotz Lyle Stoltman	120 200 42 47 100	\$14,826	Continue to work with NRCS

Program Areas: *Shoreline Management Moses Lake*

Goal(s): *Seek funding to help with the new Shoreline Management Act for Grant County and the City of Moses Lake.*

Funding Source(s): *WA State Conservation Commission and Department of Ecology.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Seek funding to help Moses Lake residents help restore shorelines along the Lake of Moses Lake and Pelican Point.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Gretchen Fitzgerald Marie Lotz	82 82	\$73,586	Need engineering funds.

Program Areas: *Ground Water Management Area*

Goal(s): *Continue to work with Franklin, Lincoln and Adams Conservation Districts for GWMA efforts.*

Funding Source(s): *WA State Conservation Commission, Department of Ecology, Columbia River Association and Black Sands Irrigation District.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Seek funding to help GWMA in static water levels and aquifer studies.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Marie Lotz Lyle Stoltman	40 120	\$150,000	Continue to work with GWMA.

Program Areas: *Air Quality*

Goal(s): *By January 2015 increase the number of plans and plan updates for nutrient management and sources of pollution or runoff. Work with GCPUD to provide Technical Assistance for cost share and education on 160,000 acres.*

Funding Source(s): *Grant County Public Utility District, WA State Conservation Commission, WA State University, Department of Ecology and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Move to soil Provide Irrigation Water Management Technical Assistance, cost share and education for 160,000 acres and work with GCPUD for future funding by January 2015.	7/1/14 – 5/31/15	Carl Evans Marie Lotz	792 57	\$72,000	Continue to work with GCPUD
Implement 6 livestock cost share projects.	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Lyle Stoltman Marie Lotz	75 57	\$6,088	
Continue to provide assistance for agricultural burning in Grant County.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz Cindi Harr Carl Evans	50 200 42	\$9,298	Work with DOE
No-Till Drill Rental	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz	3	\$120	Work with WSU

Program Areas: *Education and Outreach*

Goal(s): *Continue to seek other opportunities for education of natural resources or innovative projects.*

Funding Source(s): *Franklin Conservation District, Othello Sandhill Crane Festival, Grant County Public Utility District, Bonneville Power Administration, Idie Ulsh Wings of Beauty, Natural Resources Conservation Services and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Continue to teach the Water on Wheels Program and storm water management in Grant and Adams Counties.	8/1/14 – 6/1/15	Kris Proszack Marie Lotz	1740 57	\$48,081	Continue to work with Franklin CD
Continue to coordinate the Othello Sandhill Crane Festival.	11/1/14 –	Marie Lotz	160	\$12,086	Continue to

	5/15/15	Cindi Harr	160		work with the SCF Committee
Continue to support the Regional Envirothon	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz Cindi Harr Lyle Stoltman Carl Evans Kris Proszack	8 40 10 42 40	\$4,232	
Start Salmon and Trout in the Classroom take over current locations and create new locations.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Kris Proszack Marie Lotz	80 10	\$2,555	Work with GCPUD and BPA
Start Monarch in the Classroom and education.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Kris Proszack Marie Lotz	80 10	\$2,555	
Start a quarterly newsletter work with NRCS and other agencies and redo website.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Kris Proszack Marie Lotz	80 10	\$2,555	

Program Areas: *District Structure and Operations*

Goal(s): *By January 2015 have either an assessment or rates and charges in place to help with funding district projects. Continue to have successful district and state audits and increase awareness of the Grant County Conservation District.*

Funding Source(s): *WA State Conservation Commission and other funding sources.*

Activities for FY2015	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time Required	Estimated Funding	Notes
Prepare annual and long range plans, financial reports and report of accomplishments.	4/1/14	Board Staff	8	\$3,000	
Attend area meetings, WACD Convention and other related activities necessary to train and educate staff.	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Board Staff	20	\$1,000	
Maintain contact with local agencies, County Commissioners and City Boards.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz Lyle Stoltman Board	40 20	\$5,500	
Hold annual elections.	12/1/14 – 3/15/15	Marie Lotz Board	5	\$2,000	
Research and start communication with Grant County Commissioners on an assessment or rates and charges.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Marie Lotz	100	\$7,000	
Maintain district finances and monthly board meetings.	7/1/14 – 6/30/15	Cindi Harr Marie Lotz	1480 205	\$5,500	

Washington Conservation Districts assisting land managers with their conservation choices



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Federal Grants	\$18,000		Salaries and Benefits	\$380,482
State Grants	\$536,193		Meetings	\$2,000
Intergovernmental Service	\$195,888		Supplies	\$4,500
Other Revenues	\$490		Communication	\$4,300
			Travel	\$7,400
			Advertising	\$4,200
			Rent/Utilities	\$11,700
			Insurance	\$5,000
			Dues	\$4,800
			Vehicle Maintenance	\$4,000
			Cost Share	\$300,000
			Professional Services	\$22,189
Total Income	\$750,571		Total Expense	\$750,571