

Welcome

from the Chairman

On behalf of the Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District, we welcome you to our Annual Meeting, Tuesday, March 7, 1978.

We hope you find this meeting informative. There is a growing concern over government controls and regulations on our private lands. Our District is working to keep local control over these problems as they arise.

Morrow S.W.C.D. Board of Directors consist of Doug Fritz, Boardman; Jack Copenhaver, Boardman; Pete Richards, Irrigon; Al Osmin, Heppner; Ned Clark, Heppner; Dick McElligott, Ione; and Rudy Bergstrom, Ione.

We meet on the first Tuesday of every month, except for the three summer months. We would appreciate your continued support throughout the year.



Thank You,
Rudy Bergstrom

Annual meeting of Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District will be Tuesday, March 7th, Catholic Parish Hall, Heppner.

DIRECTORS		
Chairman	Rudy Bergstrom	Ione
Vice Chairman	Jack Copenhaver	Boardman
Treasurer	Dick McElligott	Ione
Secretary	Ned Clark	Heppner
RC&D Rep.	Al Osmin	Heppner
Member	Doug Fritz	Boardman
Member	Pete Richards	Irrigon

MORROW SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT TREASURERS REPORT

For Period
Jan. 1, 1977 to Dec. 30, 1978

CASH BALANCE (beginning of period)		\$4122.32
In Checking Account	583.23	
In Savings Account	\$3539.09	
RECEIPTS during period		999.42
EXPENDITURES during period		793.37
CASH BALANCE (at end of period)		4328.37
In Checking Account	\$ 582.96	
In Savings Account	4328.37	

-s- C.R. McElligott
Treasurer

Soil and Water Conservation

District What is it?

The Morrow Soil & Water Conservation District is a legal subdivision of Oregon state, officially organized through the efforts of local landowners in 1941.

Your SWCD administers the ongoing soil and water conservation programs as they relate to the total resources of the District. In fact then, the SWCD was organized by and for the Morrow County landowner to help solve common natural resource conservation problems.

Through authority under Oregon statutes, the District may call in specialists from

many federal and state organizations to help with conservation.

The Soil Conservation Service (SCS), through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is the primary agency to provide assistance on the local level. Congress has authorized the SCS to assign specialists to districts based upon conservation needs of the county. The specialists work directly with the landowner in carrying out voluntary proper land use programs.

In addition to basic soil conservation, the SWCD program includes management help in other areas, such as:

pasture and forage improvement and utilization; maintenance of soil fertility; proper use of fertilizer; improvement of irrigation systems; drainage, land leveling; erosion control; woodland management; reservoir design; soil survey inventories and watershed development.

Your District Board of Directors is comprised of seven members from throughout the county. The Morrow Soil & Water Conservation District has a program to offer every landowner, so when you need assistance, call your nearest director or the SWCD office.

Cover Photo

'...land ethic'

The cover photo depicts America's Farmer...the silhouette of a man and the life he chose to live.

A special feature at the Morrow Soil & Water Conservation District Annual Meeting will be the showing of "The Life We Chose", a slide-tape presentation centered around the concept of a "land ethic".

The land ethic concept is simply described as the combination of, responsibility for and wise use of, the land you own. The farmers-ranchers in the presentation express the thought that their land has provided for their living and in return, they should take care of the land.

The point is made here; there is no excuse for leaving land in worse condition than when you became the land user.

Land ethics then, impart the concept that we have a moral responsibility to take good care of the land we own.

Working together....

Your District Board of Directors represents landowners and others of the area in the job of securing the maximum cooperation of federal, state, county and private agencies and groups in carrying out a sound conservation program on the land. Some of the agencies that service the District include:

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

Bob Adelman	District Conservationist
Terry Lillybridge	Range Conservationist
Chuck O'Neal	Soil Conservation Technician
John Collins	Soil Conservation Technician
Merle Paige	CETA—Conservation Aid
Kathy Query	District Secretary

MORROW COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

Harold Kerr	Morrow County Agent, Chairman
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AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION & CONSERVATION SERVICE

Judy Buschke	Director
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STATE FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

Ernie Labart	Unit Forester
Kurt McKinney	Service Forester
Jim Carbone	Service Forester

U.S. FOREST SERVICE

Ben Siminoe	District Ranger
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OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE

Glen Ward	Wildlife Biologist
Bob Krein	Wildlife Biologist

FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

Ken Durrell	Director
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STATE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Chuck Liles	Director
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COLUMBIA-BLUE MOUNTAIN RESOURCE

CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

F.K. Starrett	President
W.B. Thomas	Vice-president
Warren McCoy	Second vice-president
Clarence Potter	Third vice-president
A.F. Lickie	Fourth vice-president
George Hansen	Secretary
Al Osmin	Treasurer
Dale Boner	Project Coordinator

MORROW COUNTY COURT

D.O. Nelson	County Judge
Warren McCoy	Commissioner
Homer Hughes	Commissioner