

Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District

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Treasurer's Report

Morrow Soil & Water Conservation District
Treasurer's Report
For Period Jan. 1, 1979 to Dec. 31, 1979

Cash Balance (beginning of period)	
In checking account	\$ 553.31
In Savings account	2862.91
Total cash balance	\$3416.22

Receipts During Period	
Flags—\$577.60	
Equipment—\$65.50	
SSWCC—\$575.00	
Interest—\$134.30	\$1352.40

Expenditures During Period	\$1494.53
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Cash Balance (at end of period)	
In checking account	\$ 676.88
In savings account	2597.21
Total cash balance	\$3274.09

Respectfully Submitted
—s-R.W. Bergstrom
Treasurer

8th Annual Meeting of the M.S.W.C.D.

Tuesday, March 4
7:30 p.m.

Lexington Grange
Lexington, Oregon

Program

RCA-Creating the Future

A slide presentation on USDA conservation alternatives

Harold Kerr

"Agriculture in the South"

A visual tour of Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Louisiana

Featured Speaker

Dan Eastman
Fish & Wildlife Dept.

"Management objectives for elk and deer in the Heppner wildlife unit"

Working with you!

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
Bill Myers	Soil Conservationist
Chuck O'Neal	Soil Conservation Technician
Kathy Query	District Secretary

MORROW COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

Harold Kerr	County Agent, Chairman
John Nordheim	County Agent, Livestock
Maurice Mitchell	County Agent, Forestry
Birdine Tullis	Program Assistant
Lena Smith	Secretary

AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION & CONSERVATION SERVICE

Judy Buschke	Director
Joan Hughes	Program Assistant
Sandy Bennett	Program Assistant

STATE FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

Ernie Labart	Unit Forester
Otto Steward	Service Forester

U.S. FOREST SERVICE

Ben Siminow	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 & PROJECT

F.K. Starrett	President
W.B. Thomas	Vice-President
Warren McCoy	Second Vice-President
George Hansen	Third Vice-President
Dick McElligott	Fourth Vice-President
Bill Penny	Secretary
Al Osmin	Treasurer
Gene Sturtevant	Project Coordinator

MORROW COUNTY COURT

Don McElligott	County Judge
Warren McCoy	Commissioner
Dorothy Krebs	Commissioner

State assists Morrow district complete multi-year resource development program

The Morrow SWCD with assistance from the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission completed the development of their natural resource program, a multi-year plan with objectives aimed at addressing the major resource problems in Morrow County.

The Heppner Water Control District completed the final phase of construction of its critical area treatment project. This included 79,722 feet of terraces and diversions, 63 debris basins and 55 acres of critical area seeding.

Morrow County Water Quality Plan (208) as part of the Sediment Reduction Project in the 5-county Columbia Basin area carried out by the SSWCC has been published. Special projects are now being cost-shared in the 5-county area.

Supported the National and Oregon Association of Conservation District.

Assisted the 6th Grade Outdoor Classroom Conservation Education Program.

Completed the memorandum of understanding with the Morrow County Court.

Continued the evaluation of terrace systems and cropland erosion.

Completed evaluations for the USFS RARE II, Timber Management Plan and Heppner Land Management Plan Studies.

OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS (1979)

	No.	Amount
Technical assistance		
Individuals	692	—
Units of government	16	—
Farm Plans	5	5003 ac.

Cost-share applications

ACP	52	—
ECM	35	—
Terrace Systems	17	236,700 ft.
Ponds	17	—
Irrigation mainline	7	22,249 ft.
Fish pond management	2	—
Grassed waterway	—	5 ac.
Livestock pipeline	—	1540 ft.
Chemical tillage	15	2000 ac.

Goals established for 1980 are:

Develop annual work plan from the SWCD's Natural Resource Conservation Program.

Keep abreast with and provide timely data for the

Confined Animal Feeding Operations Waste Management Program.

Continue emphasis on conservation education.

Emphasize the need for sheet and rill erosions control on dry cropland by developing resource plans and promoting the LTA cost-share program.

Use the coordinated resource management concept to match livestock and wildlife requirements to the resources available.

Work jointly with the County Road Department to complete the roadside erosion inventory; and, also, to provide information on design of culverts and borrow ditches.

Goals established for 1980

Resource conservation and development in Morrow County is the first concern of the Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District. In addressing these resource concerns, a multi-year plan with objectives has been prepared.

The Natural Resource Conservation Program will be used to help develop a yearly work plan to outline what will be done, who will do it, and when it will be done. Through this process we can achieve a more coordinated approach in our work to maintain and improve the county's resource base.

Major emphasis has been placed on cropland erosion. Sheet and rill erosion, of varying intensities, occurs on approximately 311,000 acres. High intensity summer convection storms and rapid runoff on frozen

soil causes severe erosion. The SWCD stresses the need for an increased cost-share program as one of the means to accelerate the installation of conservation practice systems which include terraces, waterways and conservation tillage.

The district has assessed ten other areas of major concern in the county. Stressed were water quality storage, range improvement, irrigation water management, drainage, wind erosion, stream corridor management, pasture management, road erosion, woodland management and flood protection.

The Natural Resource Conservation Program will be incorporated into the County Comprehensive Plan as the natural resource conservation element.