

ASCS & SWCD staff dedicated to conservation



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1991 has been very busy for the Morrow SWCD staff. Again this year the SWCD sponsored an Oregon Youth Conservation Corp work crew to extend and repair the Willow Creek Greenway Trail using local youth. This same group worked on clearing hiking trails near Cutsforth Park.

Funding from Heppner Water Control District and the Governor's Watershed Enhancement Board made it possible to construct a "soft" gabion to prevent further streambank erosion on Willow Creek near Hager Park in Heppner.

Also, completion of Lefevre Prairie GWEB project was accomplished in the fall of 1991 and with the cooperation of the Voag Departments of Condon and Heppner High Schools and Soil Conservation Service, the District will start a groundwater table monitoring project to document the success of this project in 1992 and hopefully continue it yearly.

Due to the expiration of the Natural Resources Division ad-

ministrative grant funds, the District discontinued the Information and Education Coordinator position but was able to continue many of the programs Cindi Doherty started including the teachers workshop with eight voag teachers attending this year.

The Morrow SWCD entered into an agreement with the US Army, Umatilla Depot Activity, for range trend and utilization monitoring and will be continuing the Navy Bombing Range contract with the cooperation of Jim West and Department of Navy.

The coming year promises to be a busy one as well with much interest in GWEB participation for riparian projects in the Rhea Creek, Rock Creek, Willow Creek and Wilson Creek watersheds and an increased participation in wind erosion control in north Morrow County with the cooperation of Finley Buttes Landfill Co., Portland General Electric, the Morrow County Road Department as well as many individuals and other agencies.