

# 2022-2023 Report of Accomplishments Roosevelt Soil and Water Conservation

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## Mission of the Roosevelt Soil and Water Conservation District

*To obtain available technical, financial, and educational resources, whatever their source, and focus or coordinate them so that they meet the needs of the local land user for conservation of soil, water, and related resources.*

## Roosevelt SWCD Board Members

*From left to right: Dawn Privett (Admin Asst.), Kendell Buzard (Supervisor), Mitzi Miller (Supervisor), Mike Cone (Chairman), Rick Ledbetter (Secretary/Treasurer), Quentin Carnes (Vice Chair), Sharon Davis (Supervisor), George Hay (Supervisor).*



## **Funding**

- *Roosevelt SWCD received funding from State Legislation using the “Point System.”*
- *The District raised funds through drip irrigation supply sales, which are available year-round.*
- *The District continued with the building lease for the USDA Service Center and District Office.*
- *Roosevelt SWCD sold “shade balls” under their cost-share program.*
- *Roosevelt SWCD held a spring tree sale.*

## **Meetings/Presentations**

- *The Roosevelt SWCD held its monthly meetings via Zoom.*
- *Roosevelt SWCD partnered with SW Quay, Central Curry, and Border SWCDs to sponsor an Annual Legislative meeting in Melrose, NM. Mike Cone also gave a Weather Program presentation.*
- *Board members attended other District meetings to discuss our Weather Cloud-Seeding Program.*
- *Administrative Assistant attended El Llano Estacado RC&D Meetings.*
- *Administrative Assistant and one Board member attended the NMACD Annual Meeting in Albuquerque.*
- *The Roosevelt SWCD sponsored the NMACD Region 5 meeting/Supervisor Training in Portales. Admin & Board members attended.*
- *The Roosevelt SWCD sponsored the Prairie Partners meeting in Tucumcari on Dec. 6, 2023.*

## **Media/Outreach**

- *Updated and continued our Website and Face Book page.*
- *The Roosevelt SWCD updated its Land Use Plan and distributed it to local, State, and Federal agencies.*

## **Education**

- *Sponsored 4-H & FFA Judging for SW Quay SWCD.*
- *The Roosevelt SWCD set up a fair booth at the Roosevelt County Fair.*
- *Sponsored buses for Roosevelt County Ag Explorer Day that was held in Portales.*
- *Administrative Assistant attended the Grant Training Workshop in Clovis on June 19, 2023.*

## **Awards**

- *Nominated Jack Martinez for NMACD Friend of Conservation Award.*
- *Nominated Dwayne “Butch” Vidler for NMACD Outstanding Land Steward.*

## Conservation Projects

- *The Roosevelt SWCD continued with our WellIntel device installed on our well for a well-monitoring program.*
- *Roosevelt SWCD continued with its Cost-Share Program. We have one application that is still not completed.*
- *A ZiaMet Weather Station is currently on our property. There are other Weather Stations being installed throughout the State. The funding for this project was acquired by NM State Representative Martin Zamora.*



- *Roosevelt SWCD signed an MOA with NM Game & Fish to work with them on the Playa Restoration Project.*
- *Roosevelt, Chaves, Border, and Central Curry SWCDs conducted a meeting with the High Plains Cooperative Weed Management Area. We have been awarded funding for next year through a SWCC WQ&C Grant and the County of Chaves for controlling noxious weeds.*

- *Roosevelt SWCD continued with our Shade Ball Water Conservation District Project. We provided a cost-share program with profits from our Water Quality & Control Grant that we received last year. SW Quay & Central Curry SWCDs also sponsored their own cost-share program. To date, we have sold approximately 390,000 shade balls. We currently are sold out of shade balls. A new order will be placed soon.*





- *Roosevelt SWCD is actively pursuing funding for a Weather Cloud-Seeding Project. We currently have an active Permit for Cloud-Seeding and are applying for a renewal for next year.*





Left wing with glaciogenic flares.  
These flares are 75 gr AgI hygroscopic flares.



Right wing with hygroscopic flares  
These flares have 1/2 kilo (approx. 1.1 lbs.) of CaCl.