



2020-2021 Annual Report Mesa Soil & Water Conservation District

Mission of the Mesa Soil & Water Conservation District

Provide leadership in a partnership effort to educate people to conserve, maintain and improve our natural resources and environment.

Farm Bill Implementation:

- Mesa SWCD has 2 existing Environmental Quality Incentive Program Contracts totaling over \$126,000.00.



Basic Funding:

- Received \$17,434 from NMSU for annual funding.
 - Harding County Board of Commissioners \$2,000.
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Watershed Conservation/Habitat Restoration:

- Ongoing participation with the Canadian River Riparian Restoration Project.



Collaboration and Coordination:

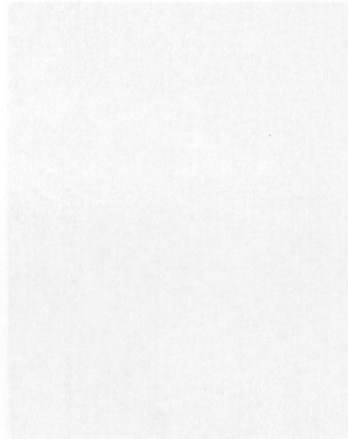
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 - Mesa and Ute Creek districts also share an administrative assistant, which reduces the cost of many workshops, mileage and other items for both districts.
 - Ongoing collaboration with the Canadian River Riparian Restoration Project on the spraying of salt cedar along the Canadian River.
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Information and Education:

- Along with NRCS, Mesa SWCD attended the Canadian River Valley field exploration day and the Kiowa Grasslands field exploration day with Roy High School students. Students explored a variety of different aspects along the Canadian River and the Kiowa Grasslands. Students learned to identify grasses, map out an acre, identify different woods found and how to weigh and clip grasses.
- Helped the Roy FFA students with a grass collection project. Grasses were gathered from around the county and compiled to help the students learn the different grasses for judging contests.

Conservation Projects:

- Mesa SWCD has an ongoing tree planting conservation project in conjunction with the Harding County Little League. Trees and drip system supplies were installed several years ago and the district helps to maintain the trees and the drip system.



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