

July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021 Annual Report

Thank you to our Funding Partners For Their Support

November 10, 2021



Dayton Valley Conservation District

Thank you:

- Nevada Division of Environmental Protection 319 Program
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Carson Water Subconservancy District
- Carson Truckee Water Conservation District
- Lyon County
- Nevada Conservation District Program
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Carson River Wranglers
- Nevada Division of State Parks
- Landowners and Donors

Who We Are

The Dayton Valley Conservation District is in its 22nd year of operation. A political subdivision of the State of Nevada, DVCD was established in March of 1999. The District began as the Middle Carson River Watershed Working Group in 1996. The District has been working on a variety of projects over the past 25 years. We continue to function as an “on the ground” organization that has focused its efforts on protecting and restoring the agricultural and natural resources along the Middle Carson River.

DVCD is currently made up of a full time District Manager and a part time Administrative Assistant.

The Dayton Valley Conservation District would like to extend a hearty thank you to Lyon County for allowing us to utilize office and storage space, and to Nevada State Parks for providing a base of operations for our field activities.

We would not be able to accomplish all of these projects without the continued support of our funding partners, board members, and the community. The District is very thankful to all of our project stakeholders.

DVCD is looking for new funding sources to expand our scope of work. If you would like to get involved with the District, please contact the office at (775) 246-6220 ext. 1878 .

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Mission Statement

The Dayton Valley Conservation District provides assistance to citizens of Lyon County in riverbank stabilization, treatment of invasive weeds, and educational outreach within the community. One of our primary efforts is the protection of the Middle Carson River’s natural resources and wildlife habitat. Our organization provides the ability to cross boundaries and work directly with Federal, State, County and Private Landowners to address the universal need for conservation of our natural resources. DVCD supports local agriculture, enhancing the efficiency of production and the continued improvement of both agricultural and neighboring lands.



To stay updated on Dayton Valley Conservation District happenings and projects, please visit our website: <https://daytonvalleycd.wixsite.com/daytonvalleycd>

Dayton Valley Conservation District Board Members

The Dayton Valley Conservation District has a very dedicated and hard working board of supervisors. The District Board includes the following six members:

Chairman Ty Minor began his service on the board in 2018. A lifelong resident of Dayton, Ty works alongside his family on the Minor Ranch, the largest working ranch remaining in the Dayton Valley. Ty brings to the table his experience in ranching, as well as a background in natural resources and rangeland management

Vice-Chairman John Gavin was elected to the board in 2009 and has been involved with the District since its establishment. John Gavin is a long-time resident of Dayton and is well-acquainted with issues involving production agriculture, public lands, and the river corridor.

Joe Ricci was raised on the Ricci Ranch in Dayton, which is one of the longest running family ranches along the Carson River. Joe is a life-long rancher and, for many years, was a member of the District's noxious weed control team. Mr. Ricci has been a part of the District since 2002.

Secretary/Treasurer Greg Lehman is serving his first term on the board. Greg brings a wealth of business experience in the rock and sand, trucking, and excavation industries in addition to his experience producing cattle and alfalfa on once-fallowed ag lands within Dayton Valley.

Supervisor Randy Selmi is beginning his first term as a member of the board. Randy's family has been operating the Quilici Ranch since 1881. Mr. Selmi's years of experience as a rancher, businessman, and excavating contractor will prove beneficial to the District's continued work in Dayton Valley.

Supervisor/County Commissioner Ken Gray was selected by Lyon County to serve on the board in 2017. We are thankful for his dedication to the residents of Dayton Valley, and for his work as liaison between the District and Lyon County.

Collectively, the supervisors of Dayton Valley Conservation District possess a diverse set of knowledge, experience and skills which will, undoubtedly, enable the District to better-serve the community of Dayton Valley.

DVCD Meetings FY21

The Dayton Valley Conservation District conducted four public meetings during the fiscal year. These meetings were on the following dates:

November 10, 2020

November 24, 2020

January 26, 2021

April 27, 2021

Dayton Valley Conservation District Staff

The staff of the Dayton Valley Conservation District have worked together with multiple funding agencies, permitting agencies, landowners, organizations, and contractors to achieve the District's goals of completing riverbank stabilization projects, invasive weed treatment applications, repairs to existing projects, education outreach, and to find additional sources and funding for these activities. We are pleased to introduce our staff, Robert Holley and Jessica Hollingshead.

Rob Holley was raised on the north shore of Lake Tahoe before moving to Carson City as a teenager. After graduating from UNR with a BS in Secondary Education (major in biology and minor in chemistry), Rob enjoyed a 20-year career with the Nevada Division of State Parks. In 1970, his father and grandfather began ranching along the Carson River in Dayton Valley. Rob and his family now live in Dayton Valley, where they raise cattle, sheep, and pigs, along with certified organic vegetables. Mr. Holley was hired in April 2015.

Administrative Assistant, Jessica Hollingshead was hired in June 2021. Jessica recently moved to the area. She was raised on an Iowa farm producing hay, corn, and soybeans, as well as pigs and sheep. Not only does she bring to bear a great work ethic and understanding of accounting and bookkeeping, but she is experienced with the life and issues surrounding farming and ranching.

2019 Challenges for Weed Treatment

The Dayton Valley Conservation District sponsors the West Central Lyon County Weed Management Group, which in turn supports the efforts of the District and its stakeholders in the identification and control of noxious weeds as listed by the Nevada Dept. of Agriculture.

During the 2020/21 season, DVCD worked closely with interested agricultural landowners along the river corridor to address listed noxious weeds on their private property. DVCD has provided technical assistance/consulting and appropriate herbicides to several landowners willing to tackle the weeds on their property. The Carson River is a significant seed source for invasive weeds, and District staff are working to secure funding for staff to address weeds along the river corridor in 2022, as well as continued consulting services to landowners. DVCD continues to receive support from many agencies including the Carson Water Subconservancy District, Lyon County and the Carson Truckee Water Conservancy District and the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection.

Dayton Valley Conservation District is currently working with the Nevada Department of Agriculture to update training and certifications, as well as records and inventory management so that active weed management by DVCD staff can begin in the early spring of 2022.



Crew mapping and spraying treatment areas



Middle Carson River Restoration and Flood Repair Projects

This past year, the Dayton Valley Conservation District concentrated on completing the removal of flood debris from the Baroni Ditch diversion. These snags (mature cottonwood trees) posed a threat to the diversion structure, and to the Dayton Bridge. Funds for this project were made available from the Division of Water Resources and the Carson Water Subconservancy District.

Additionally, the District was able to purchase a large quantity of fractured rock from a local quarry. This rock was distributed to area ranchers for use on diversion maintenance and bank repair as needed.

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Dayton Valley Conservation District

Summary of Expenditures

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021

<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Payroll and Fringe	
Employment Salary for District Manager	\$ 49,999.92
Health Insurance Reimbursement for District Manager	\$ 4,560.00
Seasonal Employment for Administrative Assistant	\$ 5,156.00
ADP Invoice Fees, Forms and Business Taxes	\$ 13,235.24
<u>Subtotal:</u>	<u>\$ 72,951.16</u>
Operating	
River Wranglers/Carson River Workdays	\$ -
District Cell Phone	\$ 300.00
District Office Phone and Fax	\$ 1,049.10
District Fuel	\$ 750.86
Equipment Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 176.53
Internet Fees	\$ 600.00
Insurance-Liability	\$ 683.84
Insurance-Vehicle and Equipment	\$ 1,313.55
Insurance-Workman's Compensation	\$ 907.73
Office Supplies and Postage	\$ 458.55
Vegetation Management	\$ 575.00
Workshops, Training, Education, and Travel	\$ 29.99
Permits	\$ 200.00
<u>Subtotal:</u>	<u>\$ 7,045.15</u>
Project Costs	
Carson Water Subconservancy District (River)	\$ -
Carson Water Subconservancy District (Weeds)	\$ 12,246.11
Lyon County (General Operating)	\$ -
Conservation District Program Funding	\$ -
Carson Water Subconservancy District (CWSD) - Dayton River Project	\$ 16,630.65
<u>Subtotal:</u>	<u>\$ 28,876.76</u>
Total Expenses:	\$ 108,873.07

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Summary of Receipts

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021

Receipt Source	Amount
State Funds	
CDP	\$ 4,000.00
Subtotal:	\$ 4,000.00
County Funds	
Lyon County (General Operating)	\$ 15,000.00
Subtotal:	\$ 15,000.00
Grants	
CWSD Weeds (Reimbursement)	\$ 14,999.95
CWSD River Project (Reimbursement)	\$ 31,063.62
CWSD NFWF (Reimbursement)	\$ 6,777.50
DVCD NFWF (Reimbursement)	\$ 25,007.32
Subtotal:	\$ 77,848.39
Interest and Donations	
Interest (Checking Account)	\$ 29.21
Interest (Savings Account)	\$ 0.31
Donations (Checking Account)	\$ -
Donations (Savings Account)	\$ -
Subtotal:	\$ 29.52
Contributions (In-Kind)	
Subtotal:	\$ -
Subtotal Income (including interest, excluding contributions)	\$ 96,877.91
Subtotal Income (including contributions)	\$ 96,877.91
Total Income:	\$ 96,877.91

<u>Dayton Valley Conservation District</u>	
<u>Financial Summary</u>	
<u>For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021</u>	
Beginning of Year Fund Balance:	
Certificate of Deposit	
Checking Account	\$ 295,877.23
Savings Account	\$ 3,169.09
<u>Total Funds Available (07/01/2020)</u>	<u>\$ 299,046.32</u>
End of Year Fund Balance:	
Checking Account	\$ 293,361.00
Savings Account	\$ 3,169.40
<u>Combined Accounts 6/30/2021</u>	<u>\$ 296,530.40</u>
<u>Total Funds Available</u>	<u>\$ 395,924.23</u>
<u>Summary:</u>	
<u>Beginning of Year Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 299,046.32</u>
<u>Plus Total Receipts</u>	<u>\$ 96,877.91</u>
<u>Less Total Expenditures</u>	<u>\$ 108,873.07</u>
<u>End of Year Balance 6/30/2021</u>	<u>\$ 287,051.16</u>
<u>Net Balance Change</u>	<u>\$ (2,515.92)</u>

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Invoice Period: 7/1/2020-
 6/30/2021

Conservation District Program Funding FY21

Invoice Date	Period/ Staff &/or Crew Time Description	Hours	Hourly Rate	AMOUNT
6/30/2021	Maggi Geberhardt - Administrative Assistant	69	\$18.20	\$1,255.80
6/30/2021	Leah Hoover - Assistant	1	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Date	Mileage Description	Miles	Mileage Rate	AMOUNT
6/30/2021	2004 GMC - Crew		\$0.560	\$0.00
6/30/2021	2008 Dodge-District Manager		\$0.560	\$0.00
Date	General Operating Expenses	Quantity	Cost	AMOUNT
4/28/2021	Lyon County: Office Phone and Fax	1	\$146.36	\$146.36
6/30/2021	Risk Management: Auto Insurance (Partial Reimbursement)	1	\$997.84	\$997.84
TOTAL				\$4,000.00

THANK YOU!



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July 21, 2021

Annual Work Plan-Fiscal Year 2021/22

The Annual Work Plan for the Dayton Valley Conservation District (DVCD) was developed and will be approved in August, 2021 at the District Board Meeting. The plan identifies the following key components to be addressed by the DVCD in Fiscal Year 2021/22:

1. Clearing, Snagging, Channel Maintenance and Project Maintenance
2. Cooperative Weed Management
3. Conservation Education
4. District Administration, Project Management, Operating

Stream bank clearing, snagging, channel maintenance, and project maintenance

Beginning in 1998, DVCD has completed +/- 50 streambank stabilization projects along the middle Carson River. DVCD has secured funding through the Carson Water Subconservancy District and NDEP (319H) to complete an evaluation of each project and establish a list of maintenance needs. The DVCD board will establish a list a weighed scoring criteria (ex. proximity to utilities, proximity to public roadways, irrigation infrastructure, cultivated fields, etc.) The criteria will be used to establish a prioritized list of maintenance and repair needs that can be addressed based on annual availability of funding. The site evaluation will include construction type (bioengineering, rip-rap, stream barbs, etc), project length, photos and description of any repair or maintenance needed, location coordinates, adjacent upland landowner(s), and an approximate cost of repair. Once priorities are established, work can commence according to available funds. This approach will allow DVCD the flexibility to address maintenance needs to the degree funding is available, and to have an established and prioritized plan to serve as the basis for funding requests and staff attention.

Another critical advantage to the updated inventory and repair priorities is the ability to provide the Nevada Division of State Lands a complete list of the projects that have been completed on state property along the middle Carson River. This is vitally important to establish a record of these publically accessible, publically funded projects with State Lands so that FEMA funds can be accessed for repairs in the event of damages incurred by future natural disasters.

DVCD will still continue to pursue funding for new projects, however sufficient funding has not been available to complete recently slated projects. The most important of these is upstream from Dayton Bridge, where private uplands on both sides of the river are eroding during moderate to high water events. Within this stretch of river, willow growth, as well as sand and gravel deposits have become heavy on the inside banks and are encroaching into the channel.



District Administration and Operating

The DVCD understands that in order for the District to have a successful work plan and carry out this work plan in a timely and efficient manner, the administrative component remains the vital link between the Board of Supervisors, District Stakeholders, and other agencies assisting the DVCD in the completion of its work.

The DVCD has identified this section as a key component to accomplish our overall work plan. The Administrative component to the work plan consists of (but not limited to) the following:

- Employee Salaries
- Employee Benefits
- District operating expenses
- Equipment and vehicle maintenance and/or repairs
- Travel/Training/Workshops/Education
- Necessary equipment purchases
- Annual permitting and mitigation expenses.
- District office operations, including utilities, phone, and internet services
- Field and office supplies
- District vehicle and equipment fuel

Robert L. Holley
District Manager
Dayton Valley Conservation District
West Central Lyon County Weed Management Area

Dayton Valley Conservation District
Projected Fiscal Year 2022 Budget
(July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

Revenue

Source	Amount
Nevada Conservation District Program	\$3,000.00
Lyon County	\$15,000.00
Carson Water Subconservancy Weeds	\$15,000.00
Carson Water Subconservancy River	\$100,000.00
NDEP 319(h)	\$50,000.00
River Wranglers	\$1,500.00
Projected Revenue Total	\$184,500.00

Expenditures

District Manager Salary	\$50,000.00
Health Insurance District Manager	\$4,560.00
Part-time Administrative Assistant	\$12,000.00
Personnel Fees (payroll, taxes)	\$14,000.00
Insurance (vehicle, liability, and workers comp)	\$3,000.00
Internet Fees	\$600.00
Cell Phone	\$300.00
Fuel	\$1,500.00
Vehicle Maintenance	\$750.00
Travel	\$250.00
Training and Certifications	\$250.00
Pesticides and Related Supplies (PPE, application equipment)	\$14,000.00
Office Supplies and Postage	\$500.00
Permitting (NDEP, State Lands, US Army Corps)	\$500.00
	Subtotal \$102,210.00
CWSD River (Existing Project inventory and maintenance)	\$61,790.00
NDEP 319(h) (Existing Project inventory and maintenance)	\$20,500.00
Projected Expenditures Total	\$184,500.00