The Annual Work Plan for the Tonopah Conservation District was reviewed at their May 25, 2021 meeting. The annual work plan includes the following projects for 2021-2022.

1. Continue to provide a leadership role in Northern Nye County for weed control partnerships with producers and agencies, while keeping the Nye County area in compliance with weed management requirements pursuant to NRS Chapter 555.

2. Promote and support the following programs, as budget allows: NvACD, DCNR, NRCS, 4-H, FFA, and Nevada Youth Range Camp.

3. Continue to identify local conservation needs, set corresponding goals and work with producers to develop project lists for the Northern Nye County area.

4. Seek grant funding to continue work on threatened and endangered species habitat protection projects.

5. Submit grant applications through new grant funding sources which align with the scope of our projects, needs and opportunities to serve the producers and communities within the Northern Nye County area.

6. Continue to engage with producers and increase public awareness of the conservation district, including field trips to producer properties and conservation suggestions.

7. Pursue development, funding and implementation for Fuels Reduction and Noxious Plant Management from new funding sources, including those programs requiring a match or contribution from TCD.

8. Establish collaborative partnerships with additional local community organizations to increase community service in the Northern Nye County area, as funds permit.

9. Update and maintain an accurate producer database.

Respectfully,

Sherry Harrison

Sherry Harrison
Secretary/Tonopah Conservation District
Amplification of Projects: 2021-2022

NYE COUNTY WEED CONTROL PARTNERSHIPS

The TCD will continue noxious and invasive plant management assistance as funding allows. The TCD will utilize Tri-County Weed Control and continue to provide producers with cost-share initiatives that assist with their weed control efforts. With increased funding from Nye County, the TCD will also be assisting members of the community to ensure compliance with weed management pursuant to NRS Chapter 555.

PROMOTE AND SUPPORT LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL PROGRAMS

TCD will again this year support the Nevada Youth Range Camp program which is held annually in June. For a number of years, the TCD has provided one or more sponsorships for Nye County youth to participate in the camp experience. As a result of the 2020 camp being canceled due to COVID-19, TCD has agreed to fund sponsorships for the 2021 camp, and to carry forward the unused 2020 scholarship funds. The TCD commits to support the NVACD, NRCS and DCNR by attending meetings when possible, providing funding, membership dues and/or other support to these partners, as necessary. Further, TCD will continue to support and be involved with the Smoky Valley FFA to support their School Farm building project, as well as the local 4-H. Many organizations were dormant throughout 2020, but we are hearing of new projects on the horizon and stand ready to discuss how the TCD may assist such organizations.

PROVIDE EDUCATION AND ASSISTANCE TO PRODUCERS

With an increased effort in the coming year, the TCD will continue to provide information and education outreach, program assistance and partner grants with producers in its service area. The TCD provides for a contracted employee to provide individualized services for producers, who also works closely with supporting organizations to help plan for assisting producers. The TCD will provide hands-on assistance to producers for completing, filing and following up on project and grant program applications as needed, as well as introducing producers to relevant grant programs as they become available. Board members are also active in communicating with community members to determine individual needs.

BLM AND USFS PROJECTS FOR 2021-2022

The TCD received the final round of funding from the BLM for continuing weed treatment in the Battle Mountain District. The grant funds received during the life of the grant since 2017 total $199,250. The BLM Battle Mountain District project has been highly successful as evidenced by treatment and monitoring data, and consistently meeting our goals over the years. The final phase is slated for completion by Tri-County Weed Control in Fall 2021. With a new BLM grant for noxious plant
management recently being announced, TCD and Tri-County have worked on defining the new project area, and the grant application is in process. The TCD will continue its efforts to continuously improve the Barley Creek Project, which may be assisted in 2021 with recently announced funding through the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Great American Outdoors Act. Such funding is earmarked for wilderness trails maintenance on the Austin-Tonopah Ranger District, among others. Trails are undergoing deferred trail maintenance, sign replacement and repair of damaged trails. Other campground and trailhead sites may see replacement of damaged and unsafe site features (picnic tables, fire rings pedestal grills, etc.). In addition to any funding which may be awarded through the Great American Outdoors Act, the goal of TCD is to work closely with and support the USFS in further upgrading the area for public use. Ongoing efforts will ultimately reach the TCD goal of pursuing additional grant funding for significant improvements to the area, as USFS requirements are met.

GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

TCD is currently identifying new and modified projects and will continue to do so throughout the 2021-2022 fiscal year. TCD will pursue grant applications consistent with conservation objectives including the critical fuels management for our communities, and to support such projects identified. The TCD has also been reaching out to other agencies, producers, community organizations, and private land owners for project ideas, needs and partnering opportunities in the district area. Field trips to producer ranches have occurred as allowed, due to COVID-19 restrictions and limitations on traveling, though additional needs are being identified. One recently filed grant application on behalf of a local producer, is in cooperation with NRCS and NDOW utilizing Habitat Conservation Fees. In addition, with the increased funding generously provided by Nye County for the coming year, additional grant matching projects and funding criteria is being considered while researching new opportunities.

SAGE GROUSE INITIATIVE

TCD will continue to actively participate in the pursuit of implementation of Sage Grouse practices within the district, in line with new grant funding sources being monitored at this time. The TCD is currently working on an expanded Sage Grouse project to take advantage of upcoming funding recently announced. While new grant funding was not obtained during the somewhat dormant 2020-2021 fiscal year, TCD is committed to working with new grantor organizations to continue this important work and which continues to build on our existing work.

PRODUCER DATABASE

The TCD will continue to update and expand the producer database and increase outreach to all interested parties through social media and individual contact. Through cooperation with NRCS and NDF, specific producer needs are being identified and we are working to better serve once opportunities arise.
TCD ADMINISTRATION

The TCD understands and agrees to comply with all applicable requirements and regulations and agrees to appropriately manage all fiscal responsibilities. The TCD also agrees to perform its administrative duties as required.

Approved this 25th day of May, 2021.

Tom Seley
Thomas J. Seley, Chairman TCD

Date: May 25, 2021

Signature: Tom Seley
Email: whits2003@gmail.com
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
TONOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND
NORTHERN NYE CWMA
Tuesday, May 25, 2021 – 10:00 AM

Supervisors/Staff Present by Teleconference:
Tom Seley, Chairman
Anthony Perchetti, Vice-Chairman
Richard Reason, Supervisor
Jerry Elliston, Supervisor
Sherry Harrison, Secretary

Absent:
Bruce Jabbour, Supervisor

Also Present During Meeting:
Lorinda Wichman
Lauren Williams, DCNR
Cory Lytle, USDA
Jarrod Edmonds, NRCS

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Tom Seley called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., roll call and determination of quorum confirmed.

2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (THREE MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER PERSON) ACTION WILL NOT BE TAKEN ON MATTERS CONSIDERED DURING THIS PERIOD UNTIL SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED ON AN AGENDA AS AN ACTION ITEM (1)

No public comment.

3. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR MAY 25, 2021

Mr. Perchetti made a motion to approve the Tonopah Conservation District May 25, 2021 agenda; seconded by Mr. Elliston; 4 yeas.
4. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 29, 2021 MEETING MINUTES OF THE TONOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

   Mr. Elliston made a motion to approve the January 29, 2021 meeting minutes of the Board of Supervisors of the Tonopah Conservation District; seconded by Mr. Perchetti; 4 yeas.

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

   Lauren Williams discussed her visit to the Five Mile Ranch (Heath Miller property) and potential plans for assisting Mr. Miller with his conservation needs.

   Mr. Seley announced that he was moving out of state, and would therefore be resigning as a Supervisor and Chairman of the Board of the Tonopah Conservation District.

   Ms. Harrison announced that she would be terminating her Professional Services Agreement with the Tonopah Conservation District.

6. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – APPROVAL OF THE TONOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL 2021**

   Mr. Perchetti made a motion to approve the January, February, March and April 2021 financial reports of the Tonopah Conservation District; seconded by Mr. Reason; 4 yeas.

7. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND DECISION TO (A) APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF AN APPLICANT OR NOMINATION TO THE VACANT SUPERVISOR POSITION DUE TO NOT RECEIVING ANY NOMINATIONS TO THIS VACANCY AT THE TCD MASS MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 6, 2020 (THE POSITION WILL BE FOR A 4 YEAR PERIOD TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2024); AND (B) AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE DURING THIS MEETING, IF NECESSARY**

   Discussion was held concerning the application letter submitted by Lorinda Wichman, to fill the vacancy which exists on the Board of Supervisors. After discussion, Mr. Elliston made a motion to approve the appointment of Lorinda Wichman to fill the vacant position on the Board of Supervisors for the Tonopah Conservation District, for the unexpired term which expires December 31, 2024; and for Chairman Seley to administer the oath of office to Ms. Wichman; seconded by Mr. Perchetti; 4 yeas.

   Mr. Seley administered the oath of office to Ms. Wichman.
8. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND APPROVAL OF THREE SPONSORSHIPS FOR THE NEVADA YOUTH RANGE CAMP TO BE HELD JUNE 20-26, 2021 AT A COST OF $225.00 PER CAMPER**

Ms. Wichman made a motion to approve three sponsorships for the Nevada Youth Range Camp to be held June 20-26, 2021, at a cost of $225.00 per camper; seconded by Mr. Seley; 5 yeas.

9. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF THE NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS 2021 ANNUAL DUES IN THE AMOUNT OF $600.00**

Mr. Reason made a motion to approve payment of the Nevada Association of Conservation Districts 2021 Annual Dues in the amount of $600.00; seconded by Ms. Wichman; 5 yeas.

10. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT ANNUAL WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

Ms. Wichman made a motion to approve the draft Annual Work Plan for fiscal year 2021-2022; seconded by Mr. Perchetti; 5 yeas.

11. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

The Board discussed the proposed budget and various line items. Ms. Wichman asked to receive a copy of the current Cooperative Agreement and Amendment between Tonopah Conservation District and Nye County. Mr. Elliston made a motion to approve the draft Proposed Annual Budget for fiscal year 2021-2022; seconded by Mr. Perchetti; 5 yeas.

12. **THE BOARD WILL RECESS TO HOLD THE CWMA MEETING, AND THEN RECONVENE TO FINISH THEIR WORK AS THE TONOOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The TCD recessed at 10:23 a.m. to the CWMA meeting.
The TCD reconvened at 10:27 a.m.

13. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – TO SET THE NEXT MEETING DATE FOR THE TCD/NNCWMA**

July 16, 2021 was chosen as the date for the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors to be held, preferably an in-person meeting. Mr. Lytle noted that he would need to call into future meetings. The Tonopah Convention Center has the same teleconferencing capabilities as utilized by the Town of Tonopah Board meetings, and that should not be a problem.
14. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (2)**

Discussion was held about the departure of Mr. Seley and Ms. Harrison. Election of a new Chairman of the Board was also discussed. Mr. Perchetti, Vice-Chairman, noted that he would temporarily act as Chairman for several meetings, but he did not wish to assume the permanent role as Chairman. Ms. Williams offered to assist with agenda preparation and compliance items until a new Administrative Assistant could be hired.

A shared stewardship agreement with NDF was discussed.

Jarrod Edmonds stated he would like to have field office conservationists attending future meetings.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Tonopah Conservation District meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

APPROVED this ____ day of ____ Sep 10, 2021 ____, 20_____

\[Signature\]

Chairman
MINUTES / NNCWMA
May 25, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 10:23 a.m.

2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (THREE MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER PERSON) ACTION WILL NOT BE TAKEN ON MATTERS CONSIDERED DURING THIS PERIOD UNTIL SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED ON AN AGENDA AS AN ACTION ITEM (1)

No public comment.

3. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR MAY 25, 2021

Ms. Wichman made a motion to approve the NNCWMA agenda for May 25, 2021; seconded by Mr. Elliston; 5 yeas.

4. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN NYE COUNTY WEED MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING OF JANUARY 29, 2021

Mr. Reason made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2021 meeting of the NNCWMA; seconded by Mr. Perchetti; Ms. Wichman abstained from voting; 4 yeas.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements.

6. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL 2021

Mr. Elliston made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports for January, February, March and April 2021; seconded by Mr. Perchetti; 5 yeas.

7. ADJOURNMENT AND RECONVENE TO THE TONOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT

NNCWMA adjourned at 10:27 a.m. and reconvened as the TCD.

Sep 10, 2021

APPROVED this _____ day of __________________, 2021.

Lorinda Wichman
Lorinda Wichman (Sep 10, 2021, 11:58 PDT)

Chairman
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## TONOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT
YEAR-END FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

### SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

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**Total Expenses July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021**  
$ 53,467.70
# Financial Summary

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YEAR-END FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

USE OF STATE APPROPRIATED FUNDS

AMOUNT OF STATE APPROPRIATED FUNDS: $4000.00

FUNDS SPENT: OPERATING EXPENSES/PAYROLL/SUPPLIES ETC. $4000.00

MATCHING FUNDS SPENT: LISTED ABOVE $4000.00

BALANCE REMAINING: $0.00

Final to be Approved this _______ day of ___ Sep 10, 2021

Lorinda Wichman

Lorinda A. Wichman, Chairman
The Tonopah Conservation District ("TCD") continues to coordinate with and support Bureau of Land Management ("BLM"), USFS, FSA, USDA, NDOW, NRCS, DCNR and other agencies to disseminate program information and development to producers via personal contact, field support, email and meetings. The TCD together with the Northern Nye Cooperative Weed Management Area (NNCWMA) supports and helps coordinate weed abatement projects on both public and private lands, with treatments administered by Tri-County Weed Control and funded by the BLM, with a cost share provided by TCD as budget permits.

Current staffing of the TCD is comprised of:

Anthony Perchetti, Acting Chairman
Richard Reason, Supervisor
Jerry Elliston, Supervisor
Bruce Jabbour, Supervisor
Lorinda Wichman, Supervisor
Sherry Harrison, Administrative Assistant

Each of the above listed members and staff also reside as members of the NNCWMA.

From the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 the TCD/NNCWMA Board of Supervisors conducted four (4) meetings. All meetings were properly posted, advertised, minutes recorded and transcribed in accordance with open meeting laws. All required financial reports were completed and offered to NRCS, DCNR and the BLM as required by the State and BLM Weed Grant program. Due to COVID-19 restrictions mandated by Governor Steve Sisolak, three of those meetings were held by teleconference.

Guest attendees participating at or in meetings throughout the year included: Lauren Williams (DCNR), Lance Brown (USFS), John Ashworth (Tri-County Weed), Brandon Crosby (BLM), Christian Stephenson (NDF), Anna O’Brien (BLM), Perry Wickham (BLM), Cory Lytle (USDA), Bruce Jabbour (THS/NTD), Jonah Blustein (BLM), Sam Jeffrey (JDF), Cayenne Engei (NDF), Gary Reese (NDF), Melany Aten (DCNR), Duane Dory (NDF) and Jarrod Edmonds (NRCS).

The TCD had had two vacancies on the Board of Supervisors in 2020 and 2021, due to the expiration of Jacob Holloway’s term as of December 31, 2020 and due to the resignation of Tom Seley as of June 5, 2021. In May 2021, Lorinda Wichman was appointed to fill the vacancy created by Jacob Holloway, for the duration of the unexpired term of office, which will end December 31, 2024. The seat vacated by Tom Seley remains unfilled. The term of Mr. Seley’s seat expires December 31, 2022.
The 2020-2021 fiscal year brought more adjustments and challenges to everyone. Board meetings have been conducted telephonically to process critical items, while other issues have been placed on hold, by our business partners as well. Everyone has experienced modifications to their operations, and seems to be working hard to move forward, while complying with the ongoing restrictions.

December 2019 the TCD submitted an Agenda Item to the Nye County Board of County Commissioners, by which an amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with Nye County was approved to include additional annual funding. Such funds will allow TCD to apply for and receive more competitive grants, which may require matching funds. Unfortunately, due to personnel issues at Nye County, TCD received no funding from Nye County during 2020-2021 fiscal year. The funds for the 2020-2021 fiscal year were received in August 2021, and plans are underway for use of the funds in accordance with the Proposed Annual Budget submitted in June 2021.

In July 2020, BLM awarded TCD an additional $25,000 grant modification for weed treatment, inventory, monitoring and site rehabilitation in the Nevada Battle Mountain District. Combined with the January 2021 modification of $25,000, as well as the additional $50,000 modification awarded July 2021, TCD has $85,976.91 remaining to use in the Battle Mountain District for inventory, treatment and monitoring. Tri-County Weed Control is tasked with such project activities and has been making acceptable progress each year of the grant. The deadline for completing grant project activities is July 31, 2022.

The Barley Creek/Monitor Valley project is progressing. In April 2021, the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest announced funding made available through the Great American Outdoors Act. Such funds are being used to replace damaged and unsafe site features (including picnic tables, fire rings, grills, etc.), reducing deferred maintenance backlogs and enhancing aging recreational infrastructure. Barley Creek is one area that will receive upgrades. Additional potential projects for that site will be addressed during the next fiscal year.

TCD encourages opportunities to assist landowners with weed control and other conservation issues. In June 2021, TCD partnered with Tri-County Weed Control to assist four (4) property owners in the Belmont area by providing much appreciated weed control measures on their property. With additional funding becoming available in the 2021-2022 fiscal year, TCD intends to increase the outreach to landowners and provide additional services.

The TCD voted to provide sponsorships for up to three (3) Nevada Youth Range Camp participants from Nye County to attend the June 2021 Camp. Three (3) campers timely completed their applications and submitted them to TCD. This camp is important not only to the youth in Nye County who learn valuable skills while attending, but to the TCD. The TCD supports this camp each year through sponsorships, budget permitting, and is part of its continuing effort to reach the youth through conservation and agriculture.

The Smoky Valley FFA put most of their expansion projects on hold, due to COVID-19 restrictions and students not being physically at school on a regular basis and inability to care for the animals. The Smoky Valley FFA did not submit any requests for financial participation during the 2020-2021 fiscal
year. They are regrouping in the new school year and hope to continue with the school farm expansion. We expect to hear from them in the coming weeks.

All operations have been conducted within the district budget and outreach to producers and community is ongoing.

Sep 10, 2021
APPROVED this ____ day of ______________, 2021

Lorinda Wichman
Lorinda A. Wichman, Chairman