

## **TONOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

P.O. Box 1449

Round Mountain, NV 89045

April 15, 2013

### **Annual Work Plan**

### **Fiscal year 2013-2014**

The Annual Work Plan for the Tonopah Conservation District was reviewed and approved at the March 5, 2013 meeting. The annual plan includes the following projects for the 2013-2014 fiscal years:

1. Provide a leadership role in Nye County for weed control partnerships with producers and agencies, including the development of an informational interface with RMGC regarding weed control & assessment.
2. Promote and support the following programs:  
NACD, DCNR, NRCS, Nevada Youth Range Camp and Bootstraps Program.
3. Provide outreach to producers & district population with program information relating to local, state and national resource concerns.
4. Complete all BLM and RAC/US Forest Service Projects for 2013-2014
5. Provide ongoing assistance to producers with respect to completing, filing and following up on Farm Bill Program applications.
6. Generate a newsletter(s) for distribution to producers and community.
7. Pursue funding, development, construction & implementation of a Smoky Valley community greenhouse, in concert with the high school ag program.
8. Identify and pursue grant funding opportunities consistent with conservation objectives.
9. Initiate & implement plans for a tree sale.
10. Expedite contact with relevant producers regarding implementation of Sage Grouse Initiative practices and liaise with any and all agencies regarding same.
11. Update and maintain the producer data base.

Amplification of projects:

### **Nye County Weed Control Partnerships**

Continue noxious weed control assistance and GPS mapping through CWMA for the Monitor Valley, Big Smoky Valley and Reese River Valley. TCD will utilize Tri-County Weed, support the Bootstraps Program, and provide producers with cost-share initiatives that assist them with weed control efforts.

### **Promote and support local, state and national programs**

TCD will continue to support the Nevada Youth Range Camp program which is held each June. In past years, the TCD has provided a scholarship for a Nye County resident youth to participate in the camp experience. TCD commits to support the Tonopah Bootstraps Program, NvACD, NACD, NRCS and DCNR by attending meetings, providing funding, membership dues and/or other support to these partners.

### **Provide education and assistance to producers**

TCD will maintain an office in Round Mountain, Nevada, in order to provide education outreach and program assistance to producers in its service area. TCD provides for a contracted employee to staff the office as well as share the office with other staff from partnering agencies in order to provide individualized services for producers. TCD will provide hands on assistance with producers for completing, filing and following up on Farm Bill Program applications.

### **BLM and RAC/US Forest Service Projects for 2013-2014**

TCD will monitor CWMA pass-through funds for projects during 2013-2014. The CWMA received RAC funding to treat 250 acres of private land for weed control. TCD will provide matching funds along with

shared costs from the participants. The CWMA received funding from the BLM for on-going weed treatment in the Monitor Valley, Big Smoky Valley and Reese River Valley. TCD has partnered with Tri-County Weed in Ely to provide the services for both agencies.

### **Newsletter**

TCD will develop, print and distribute a newsletter to producers at least biannually to create awareness of the district itself, programs and opportunities.

### **Greenhouse**

TCD has initiated contact with the Round Mountain high school ag department regarding building a green house. Plans to do so are in the development stage and will be ongoing.

### **Grant Funding Opportunities**

TCD staff has begun to identify and pursue appropriate grant applications consistent with conservation objectives.

### **Tree Sale**

TCD staff has begun to gather information for the implementation of a tree sale.

### **Sage Grouse Initiatives**

TCD will continue to actively participate in the pursuit of implementation of sage grouse initiative practices within the district and will continue to liaise with the relevant agencies in pursuit of same.

### **Producer Data Base**

TCD staff will continue to update and expand to the producer data base.

### **TCD Administration**

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

# TONOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## 2013-2014 PROPOSED BUDGET

Submitted April 15, 2013

PROJECTED INCOME	
TONOPAH CONSERVATION DISTRICT (Bank Balance)	\$17,610.78
STATE FUNDING	\$2500.00
COUNTY FUNDING	\$5,000.00
BLM FUNDING (grant balance remaining)	\$24,309.99
RAC/FS FUNDING (grant expires 9/30/2014)	\$15,932.10
TOTAL PROJECTED FUNDING	\$65,352.87

PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	
CWMA – WEED PROJECTS (BLM & RAC)	\$40,842.09
NEVADA YOUTH RANGE CAMP SPONSORSHIP	\$375.00
TONOPAH AREA BOOTSTRAPS PROGRAM	\$500.00
RAC Funding Match (TCD)	\$3,125.00
CONTRACTED ADMINISTRATOR	\$17,110.78
POSTAGE	\$400.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$300.00
VARIOUS PROJECTS (GREENHOUSE, TREESALE)	\$2,700.00
	65,352.87
TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	

SURPLUS \$0.00

## **Tonopah Conservation District - Annual Report September 30, 2014**

The Tonopah Conservation District continues to coordinate with & support NRCS, DCNR, USDA, BLM, USFS, FSA, NDOW and other agencies to disseminate program information & developments to producers via email, newsletters and meetings. Additionally, the Tonopah Conservation District, together with the Northern Nye/Esmeralda Cooperative Weed Management Area (NNECWMA), supports & helps coordinate weed abatement projects on both public and private lands, with treatments administered by Tri County Weed Control and funded by the BLM & USFS/RAC.

Current staffing of the Tonopah Conservation District is comprised of:

Lorinda Wichman - Vice President/Acting Chair - Nye County Commissioner

Ray Kretschmer - Treasurer

Dick Reason - Supervisor

Dianne Clouser - Supervisor

Danny Berg - Supervisor

District Secretary - Teah Court

The TCD Board of Supervisors conducted 5 Board meetings between July 2012 and June 2013. Guest attendees throughout the year included: Tim Rubald (DCNR & Sage Grouse Ecosystem Program), Brandon Vaught (Tri-County Weed), Jamie Greer (NDOA), Kent Bloomer (Weed Management Specialist, BLM), Steve Williams (District Ranger, USFS), Celena Mock (Community Relations, RMGC) and Jay Dixon (NRWA).

Additionally, the TCD hosted a town hall style meeting in at the convention center in Tonopah on June 4 for the purposes of increasing public awareness of the district, soliciting volunteers and addressing questions & issues pertinent to the transfer of public lands from the federal government to the state. This meeting was attended by approximately 40 citizens. Much information was disseminated regarding sage grouse.

An additional award of \$85,000 was received from the BLM for 2013-14 weed control on public lands within the district. NNECWMA via TCD applied for and received \$5500 from NDOA for noxious weed treatments. Tri County Weed coordinates with the federal agencies and TCD to develop & implement the annual work plans funded by these grants. An accounting of weed control treatments is available from the TCD.

TCD applied for and received grant funding from the Nevada State Conservation Commission of \$2857.14 for sage grouse habitat improvements in the Pasco Leks (Monitor Valley). The district manager met with Steve Weaver of DCNR for site visits to the leks & to meet with landowners. TCD will coordinate with DCNR and NDF to complete the work which includes meadow improvements, pj removal and fence marking.

The producer data base is current, with both USPS addresses and email contacts.

A newsletter in Fall 2013 was produced and disseminated.

The district manager attended the Nevada Weed Management Association Conference (Reno, October 2013) received a travel scholarship to same. She also planning on attended the NvACD conference. (Elko, November 2013).

On June 30, 2014, Rebecca Elkins retired as Secretary and was replaced by Teah Court. Teah has been trained and is coming up to speed with the various duties and programs for which she will be responsible.

The Tonopah Conservation District has remained in compliance with the timely organization & posting of meeting notices & agendas, submission of meeting minutes, elections per NRS and various annual reporting requirements. All operations have been conducted within the district budget and outreach to producers and community is ongoing.

***YEAR-END FINANCIAL REPORT***  
**Tonopah CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS**

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014

**RECEIPT SOURCE** **AMOUNT**

<b>State Funds</b>	<b>3629.62</b>
<b>County Funds</b>	<b>7500.00</b>
<b>City Funds</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Other Government Funds (specify)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Administrative Income (specify)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Interest – CD, Savings and Checking</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Grants for projects (specify)</b> Weed Control	<b>91865.27</b>
	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Rental Income (equipment, etc.)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Contributions</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Building/Property Rental Fees</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Other Sources of Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>102994.89</b>

***YEAR-END FINANCIAL REPORT***

***DRAFT REPORT DUE JULY 15 – FINAL REPORT DUE SEPTEMBER 30.***

***TO: STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
DCNR – CONSERVATION DISTRICT PROGRAM***

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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b>Employee Salary</b>	<b>3245.31</b>
<b>Fringe Benefit Expense</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Travel</b>	
<b>Building Rent</b>	<b>150.00</b>
<b>Telephone</b>	<b>55.00</b>
<b>Insurance</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Postage</b>	<b>46.00</b>
<b>Copying Expense</b>	<b>45.00</b>
<b>Office Supplies</b> Includes donations to NvACD meeting & SGI fence mark project	<b>643.05</b>
<b>Education &amp; Information Expenses</b>	<b>135.00</b>
<b>Equipment Purchase (specify)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Equipment Expenses (maintenance, repair, operation)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Dues – NvACD</b>	<b>300.00</b>
<b>Dues – NACD</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Dues - Other</b>	<b>35.00</b>
<b>Mileage</b>	
<b>Investments (specify)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Internet</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Bond and Insurance Expenses</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Project Costs:</b>	
<b>Grant #1</b>	<b>85000.00</b>
<b>Grant #2</b>	<b>6865.27</b>
<b>Grant #3</b>	
<b>Other Expenses (specify)</b> TCD Cost Share Weed Control	<b>6475.05</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>102994.89</b>

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# Tonopah CONSERVATION DISTRICT FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 202014

**1. BEGINNING OF YEAR FUND BALANCE:**

(Must Equal Funds Reported From End of Previous Fiscal Year)

<b>a. List all bank accounts:</b>	
Certificate of Deposit .....	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Checking Account .....	\$ <u>27083.71</u>
Savings Account .....	\$ <u>0.00</u>
<b>b. Cash on hand .....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>0.00</u></b>
<b>c. Total fund balance.....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>27083.71</u></b>
<b>d. Accounts receivable grants.....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>91865.27</u></b>
<b>e. Accounts payable.....</b>	
	<b>\$ _____</b>
<b>f. Total funds available.....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>118948.98</u></b>

**2. END OF YEAR FUND BALANCE:**

<b>a. List all bank accounts:</b>	
Checking Account .....	\$ <u>17554.96</u>
Savings Account .....	\$ <u>0.00</u>
<b>b. Cash on hand .....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>0.00</u></b>
<b>c. Total fund balance.....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>17554.96</u></b>
<b>d. Accounts receivable grants.....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>91865.27</u></b>
<b>1. Grant #1 <u>85000.00</u> - \$ _____</b>	
<b>2. Grant #2 <u>6865.27</u> - \$ _____</b>	
<b>e. Accounts payable.....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>6575.04</u></b>
<b>1. Item #1 _____ - \$ _____</b>	
<b>2. Item #2 _____ = \$ _____</b>	
<b>f. Total funds available.....</b>	
	<b>\$ <u>115995.22</u></b>

**3. SUMMARY:**

<b>a. Beginning of year fund balance (1.c. above).....</b>	<b>\$ <u>27083.71</u></b>
<b>b. Plus total receipts (from Receipt Summary) .....</b>	<b>\$ <u>102994.89</u></b>
<b>c. Less total expenditures (from Expense Summary) ....</b>	<b>\$ <u>102994.89</u></b>
<b>d. Must equal end-of-year fund balance (2.c. above) .....</b>	<b>\$ <u>27083.71</u></b>

**4. ASSETS: List all assets (equipment, land, buildings, etc.) and estimate their value:**

a. ....	\$ <u>0.00</u>
b. ....	\$ <u>0.00</u>
c. ....	\$ <u>0.00</u>

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**For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014**

**USE OF STATE APPROPRIATED MONEY**

Amount of State Appropriated Money: \$ 3629.62

Money Spent:

Category (specify) \$ 3629.62

Matching Funds Spent:

Category (specify) \$ .00

Balance Remaining: \$ 0.00

*Rebecca Elkins*

9/24/2014

Authorized Signature:  
Name and Title

Date

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