

The Vya Conservation District fosters and supports natural resource conservation through leadership, education, technical, and financial assistance to implement and ensure sustainable use of Northwestern Nevada's natural resources.

Vya Conservation District Mission Statement

Our vision is an environment where people conserve and promote natural resources for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations.

Vya Conservation District Vision Statement

Vya Conservation District Annual Report for 2019-2020

The Annual Report for the Vya Conservation District (VCD) was developed and approved on September 16, 2020, at the VCD Annual Board Meeting. The plan identifies the following key components addressed by the VCD in Fiscal Year 2019-2020:

[Support of Local Farmers/Ranchers](#)

The Vya Conservation District continued to work with local farmers and ranchers on conservation issues including sage grouse initiatives with habitat improvement, other wildlife habitat, soil health, and weed eradication through our Cost Share Program.

As part of our support of projects undertaken by local landowners, the VCD provided oversight to make sure that projects were completed in a timely manner and that all requirements and elements of projects were met. We will continue to follow up on projects we have supported to make sure that they are completed within the guidelines set out.

[Partnering with Federal, State, and County Entities](#)

The district continued to work with county, state, and federal partners to promote our mission and vision. We partnered with NRCS on producer cost share projects, donated funds to the Washoe County Road Department for weed abatement, donated funds for weed eradication to the BLM Applegate Field Office as we have for many years, and will continue to do so in the coming year as funds allow.



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With the help of Melany Aten from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, we applied for a Fire Assistance WUI Grant in the spring of 2019 but were not accepted.

Support Local Events

The VCD continued to financially support local events such as the Modoc District Fair and the Modoc Heritage Foundation Ag Expo, which promote our mission and vision. Each year the VCD has a booth at the Ag Expo in which we offer information about our programs and opportunities to residents of Northern Washoe County, and we plan to continue this in the coming year.

Educational Scholarships

Vya Conservation District will continue to award educational scholarships to youth pursuing careers in agriculture, natural resources, and related technical fields through the Norma Hapgood Scholarship. There were no scholarship applicants in the spring of 2020.

Educating the Public

During the 2020/2021 fiscal year, Vya Conservation District hopes to continue to educate the public in natural resources through activities such as an annual tour or public education workshops. Our ability to reach this goal may be affected by the current COVID-19 pandemic.

Support of Organizations Promoting Natural Resource Conservation

Vya Conservation District continued to support organizations such as NACD and NvACD through our membership.

Management and Administration

Our ongoing goals in the areas of Management and Administration are as follows:

- Hold regular meetings in September, February/March, April, and May. Meeting months are subject to change, and additional meetings may be added as necessary. Meetings will be held in accordance with current federal, state, and



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- local guidelines in order to protect our supervisors and the public during the current COVID-19 crisis. We met our meeting goals for 2019/2020.
- Prepare and submit all reports, agendas, and minutes required by the State of NV in a timely manner. We met our goals in this area.
 - Maintain and update the Vya Conservation District website (www.vyacd.org). Goals were met in this area.
 - Submit articles and information to the local media relative to district activities as appropriate. There were no opportunities for district activities in 2020 due to COVID-19.

Summary

We accomplished many of our goals in 2019/2020 despite the disruption caused by COVID-19. We plan to move forward to achieve these goals in the 2020/2021 fiscal year to the best of our ability while working within the guidelines relating to the challenges we are facing as a nation at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vya Conservation District Summary of Expenditures

Year ending June 30, 2020

Summary of Expenditures

Contracted services	\$1,376.00	
Insurance	\$617.00	
Education & Information Expense	\$300.00	
Dues--NvACD/NACD/NorthCalNeva	\$600.00	
Cost Share payments	\$306,750.00	
Website fee.	\$24.00	
Recognition	<u>\$275.00</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$309,942.00	

Vya Conservation District Financial Summary

Year ending June 30, 2020

1. BEGINNING OF YEAR FUND BALANCE

Equals Funds Reported from end of previous fiscal year)

A.	List all bank accounts:	
	Savings Account	\$46,944.54
	Checking Account	\$4,267.19
	Certificate of Deposit	
B.	Cash on hand	
C.	Total Fund Balance	<u>\$51,211.73</u>
D.	Accounts Receivable Grants	
E.	Accounts Payable	
F.	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	<u><u>\$51,211.73</u></u>

2. END OF YEAR FUND BALANCE

A.	List all bank accounts:	
	Checking account	\$9,387.50
	Savings Account	\$77,380.16
	Money Market	
B.	Cash on hand	
C.	Total fund balance	<u>\$86,767.66</u>
D.	Accounts Receivable Grants	
	1. Grant #1	
	2. Grant #2	
E.	Accounts Payable	
	1. Item #1	\$2,500.00
	2. Item #2	
F.	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$84,267.66

3. SUMMARY

A.	Beginning of year fund balance (1C above)	\$51,211.73
B.	Plus total receipts (from Receipt Summary)	<u>\$345,497.93</u>
C.	Less Expenditures (from Expense Summary)	<u>\$309,942.00</u>
D.	Must equal end-of-year balance (2C above)	<u><u>86,767.66</u></u>

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

- A.
- B.
- C.

Vya Conservation District Summary of Receipts

Year ending June 30, 2020

Summary of Receipts

State funds	\$5,000.00
County funds	\$1,500.00
City funds	\$0.00
Other Government funds (specify)	\$338,912.00
Interest--CD, Savings, Checking	\$85.93
Other sources of Income	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u><u>\$345,497.93</u></u>

Vya Conservation District Use of State Money			
Year ending June 30, 2020			
Use of State Appropriated Money			
Amount of State Appropriated Money			
Money Spent			
Contracted services		1,376.00	
Insurance		617.00	
Education & Information Expense		300.00	
Dues--NvACD/NACD		600.00	
Recognition		275.00	
Priority Weed Control		1,000.00	
Website fees		24.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES		4,192.00	
Treasurer	<i>Patricia Smith</i>		Date
VYA Conservation District	Patricia Smith		9/16/20