

SOUTH DOUGLAS CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
SUPERVISORS' MEETING  
March 4, 2019

Meeting was called to order 11:00 a.m. Present were Eileen Bone, Jeff Rock, Lindsey Morrison, Carolyn Kelly, Carol Cowling, Bob Nansel – NRCS, Scott Scroggie- NRCS, Mike Baden - WCC

February meeting minutes were approved. **Motion:** Lindsey/Eileen/ Passed

Financial statements and bills to be paid submitted. **Motion:** Eileen/Lindsey/Passed.  
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**NRCS Report** - Bob said while no new news on the Farm Bill, funding for NRCS has been extended to September. Task order funding is iffy – but Chief is looking for input from entities involved (currently SD is not directly involved) NRCS is slowly funding employees but no new positions in Chelan, Douglas or Okanogan counties. NRCS is developing a program involving a rainfall simulator that can help farmers decide on farming practices depending on the rain fall, their soil types, etc. Possible demonstration for the future.

Scott updated us on NRCS projects – converting small acreage to wildlife habitat, reduced tillage, range issues and orchard chipping.

Local working group should be first part of May in Chelan.

**WCC Report** – No final figures for the budget yet. The Implementation Grant committee has been looking at funding for all districts. All districts may receive the same amount, regardless of size or location. A good thing for South Douglas CD.

Break for lunch at noon.

**Old Business**

Annual meeting survey showed we need to provide more education and fire prevention programs. We will incorporate into our annual plan.

Carolyn reported on the regional Voluntary Stewardship Program outreach meeting in East Wenatchee. 3-4 people attended beyond CD staff and supervisors.

Our MOU with Foster Creek needs further discussion. We need to establish parameters within our own districts as well as working collaboratively with each other. No comments from Foster Creek yet. Several areas need addressing (school education not covered by MOU, what happens when SD cooperater approaches FC or vice versa? No communication from FC on results of direct seeding, VSP or TSP plans) Meeting planned for April, if possible, to discuss current MOA.

Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA) – It appears there has been activity about establishing a website and other activities, but no Interlocal agreement is currently in place with the entities involved. Until the agreement is approved and signed by all parties, no action other than planning should be completed. Currently there is an inactive Weed Board in Douglas County. The wording in the agreement is unclear in several paragraphs. This should be discussed at the next CWMA meeting. The original CWMA was to concentrate on six weeds. Seems to be clear it is not a weed board.

**New Business**

Annual plan discussed. Will be further discussed at April meeting with adoption at May meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 3:00 p.m.

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Recorder