SOUTH BIG HORN CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING December 3, 2024

The regular monthly board meeting of the South Big Horn Conservation District was held Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at the Farm Service Center with the meeting starting at 4:15pm. The meeting was called to order by George Kelso. Those in attendance were George Kelso, Linda Hamilton, Howard Wildman, Walter Hibbert via phone, and Ashley Coenen; District Manager.

OLD BUSINESS

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

The minutes from the November 2024 meeting were reviewed, a motion was made by Walt to approve the minutes. Howard seconded. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account***5307	\$ 35,147.61
Tree Acct Checking***5343	\$ 288.34
Grant Savings Acct***1270	\$ 457.29
Tree Acct Savings***2184	\$ 7,399.92
Reserve Account***7053	\$ 68,474.42

Bank statements were reviewed and reconciled by Ashley.

TOTAL

Linda made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Walt seconded. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - no one in attendance for public comment.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER BILLS – Linda made a motion to pay all regular bills for the month of December 2024. Howard seconded. Motion carried.

\$111,767.58

- EFPTS \$536.20
- Wyoming Retirement System \$652.53
- Ashley Coenen -\$3,236.38
- TCT \$62.45
- Visa \$777.41
- Optum Bank \$300.00

PAYEE	FOR	AMOUNT	CHECK #
EFPTS	Payroll Expenses	\$536.19	Electronic
Wyoming Retirement System	Retirement	\$652.53	Electronic
Robby Stuckey	WCDEA Silent Auction	\$52.50	5592
Basin Republican Rustler	NWID Election	\$220.00	5593
Visa	Miscellaneous	\$798.86	Electronic
TCT	Internet	\$62.45	Electronic
Optum Bank	Health Savings Account	\$300.00	Electronic
Ashley Coenen	Wages	\$1,618.19	Electronic
Big Horn Federal	Direct Deposit Fee	\$2.00	Electronic
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NRCS REPORT – See attached report.

OTHER BUSINESS – George gave an update from the NWID meeting held on 12/2.

OFFICE REPORT - Ashley gave an update on the WACD Convention. Ashley reminded the board that she will be on vacation from December 20th through January 1st.

NEXT MEETING- January 7, 2024 @ 4:00 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED - Howard made a motion to adjourn. Linda seconded. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:02pm.

Date

George Kelso, Chairman

Ashley Coenen, District Manager

1-7-25 Date

Big Horn County NRCS Field Office Report

December 2024 Meeting



EQIP / AMA

- Starting on FY 2025 applications
 - We have 88 applications in Big Horn County
 - o BHC Initial County allocation is \$165,300
 - General Wyoming allocation is \$8,833,695
 - Total EQIP allocation for all Initiatives is \$17,507,427
 - o Eligibility Deadline is December 13th

Climate Smart Program IRA funds

• Total state funding is \$18,064,700

Water Smart Program

• Have the same deadlines as EQIP

CSP

- Have the same deadlines as EQIP
- Have 3 applications

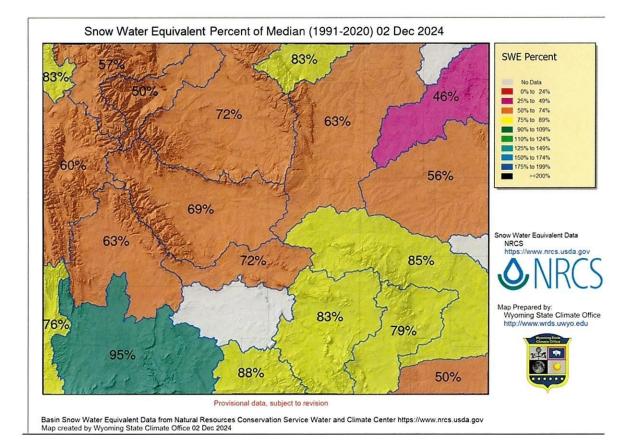
<u>CTA (Conservation Technical Assistance)</u>

- Assisted District with requests as needed.
- Assisted producers who called or e-mailed with Field visits for RC concern issues.
- Processing modifications on projects that are being installed and payments on those that are completed.

<u>Other</u>

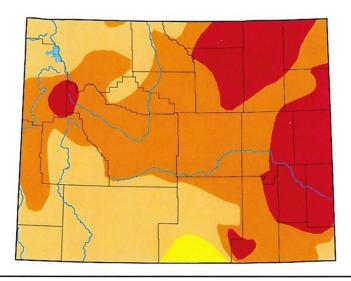
- We have split up the applications and are working through what is needed to rank them if they are eligible.
- > Employees will be in and out of the office for the Holidays, but we will try to have someone in the office at all times except on the Holiday itself.

Snow Pack/Drought Information



Wyoming

Home



Map released: Weds. November 27, 2024

Data valid: November 26, 2024 at 7 a.m. EST

Intensity

- None D0 (Abnormally Dry) D1 (Moderate Drought) D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)

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Respectfully Submitted,

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