**Rangeland & Watershed Resource Specialist Report**

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Jan 24, 2024

1. Training & Professional Development:

* Continue to accompany District Manager on his projects and tasks
* Received UNL Ranch Practicum Completion Certificate
* Reviewed 2 WCDEA Scholarship applications with other Scholarship Committee members

1. Program Updates:

* Living Snow Fence Applications for 2024 Planting:
  + Not conducting LSF site visits until June since we are full for 2024 planting season
* Rural Cost Share Applications

Completed Projects (Voucher included in this month’s voucher report):

* + Ryan Wilson, Harris Ranch LLC, completed his well and stock tank project 12/13, Reimbursement Voucher for $6,313.97 (was approved for $6,750.00)
* County Notices for Review (subdivision, zoning, use change requests):
  + None
* Tree Program
  + Set up Shopify account and organized the tree sale webpage on our website
    - Tree Sale will start accepting orders Feb 12th ; 4,805 trees/shrubs will be available
  + Reviewed TSA Inventory, added notes and process instructions to Tree Program SOP
  + Ordered staples from DeWitt
  + **Conducted survey on Facebook to gauge community’s interest in compost bins** 
    - As of 12/29/2023, we have expressed interest in 12 bins being purchased if in stock
    - Need to submit our order by Jan 26th – Board thoughts?

1. Technical Assistance:

* Answered water quality inquiry from UW student looking for data

1. Community Outreach & Involvement:

* Provided the team with Conservation Expo ideas for who to invite and handout ideas
* Reached out to Wyoming Conservation Corps and reviewed their crew/project sponsor requirements, exploring potential partnership opportunities with them for spring season
* Attended 1 Rotary Session: Laramie Animal Welfare Society
* Two Facebook Posts

**Current Time**

**(as of Dec 2023)**

Vacation: 135 hours

Sick: 55.8 hours

Comp: 48 hours

Straight: 0

* NRCS Local Work Group 01/24/24

1. Other Notes: Used 96 hours of vacation time between Jan 3 - 19th