



2019-2020

**Lincoln Soil and Water
Conservation District**

65 Years of Service

Annual Report



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Zone 1	Jim Stafford	2020
	<i>Chair</i>	
Zone 2	Alan Fujishin	2020
Zone 3	Thomas Wiley	2022
	<i>Vice Chair</i>	
At Large 1	Mark Saelens	2022
	<i>Secretary</i>	
At Large 2	Wayne DeMoray	2020
	<i>Treasurer</i>	

ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS

Terrie Grant	2021
Sterling Grant	2021

MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS

Second Thursday of the Month
at our District Office or via Zoom
7:00 p.m.

The mission of the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District is to improve and conserve the quality of soil, water, and other natural resources related to agricultural, forested, private, urban and rural lands in Lincoln County by:

- providing applicable information, education, and outreach
- providing technical assistance to implement conservation plans and projects
- providing an interface between state and federal agencies and private landowners
- participating in local resource conservation policy development

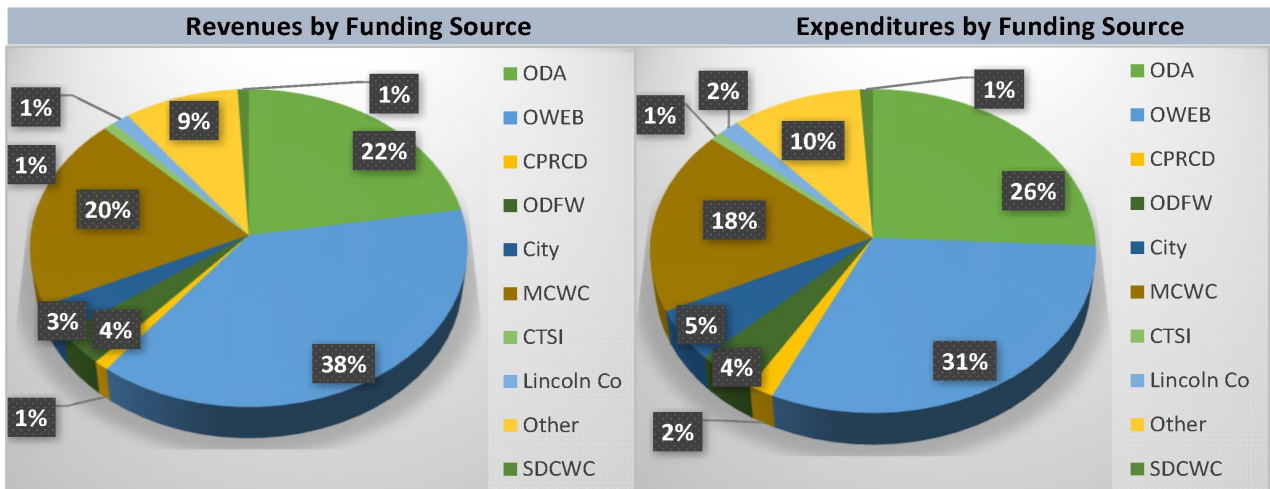
LINCOLN SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING

2019 - 2020 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

All Funds Statement of Revenues and Expenditures End of Fiscal Year June 30, 2020

Revenues:		Expenditures:	
Administrative Receipts	\$21,398	Administrative Expenses	21,398
Donations	\$200	Contract Services	56,484
Contract Income	\$59,390	Interest Expenses	914
Grant Income	\$242,793	Line of Credit	7,000
Plant Sale Income	\$3,785	Material and Supplies	11,816
Other Receipts	\$113	Office Rent	15,225
Rent Proceeds	\$7,800	Operating Expenses	5,433
		Personal Services	200,337
		Telephone/Internet	3,089
		Travel	16,443
Total Revenues	335,479	Total Expenditures	338,139
Fund Balance as of 7/1/19	38,759	Fund Balance as of 6/30/20	36,098



<p>ODA - OR Department of Agriculture</p> <p>OWEB - OR Watershed Enhancement Board</p> <p>CPRCD - Cascade Pacific Resource Cons Dev</p> <p>ODFW - OR Dept of Fish & Wildlife</p> <p>City - City of Newport Oregon</p>	<p>MCWC - MidCoast Watersheds Council</p> <p>CTSI - Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians</p> <p>Lincoln Co - Lincoln County Oregon</p> <p>SDCWC - Salmon Drift Creek Watershed Council</p> <p>Other - Various Funding sources</p>
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Lincoln SWCD was established by statute under the administrative oversight of the Natural Resources Division of the Department of Agriculture. The District is a subdivision of state government. The District is exempt from Oregon state budget laws because it is organized under ORS chapter 568 as a soil and water conservation district that does not levy an ad valorem tax. The Board of Directors prepares a cash basis budget for managerial purposes. The District is a municipal corporation exempt from federal and state income taxes.

*An outside accounting firm performs an official audit review of all District funds. The final approved audit report is available at the Lincoln SWCD office.

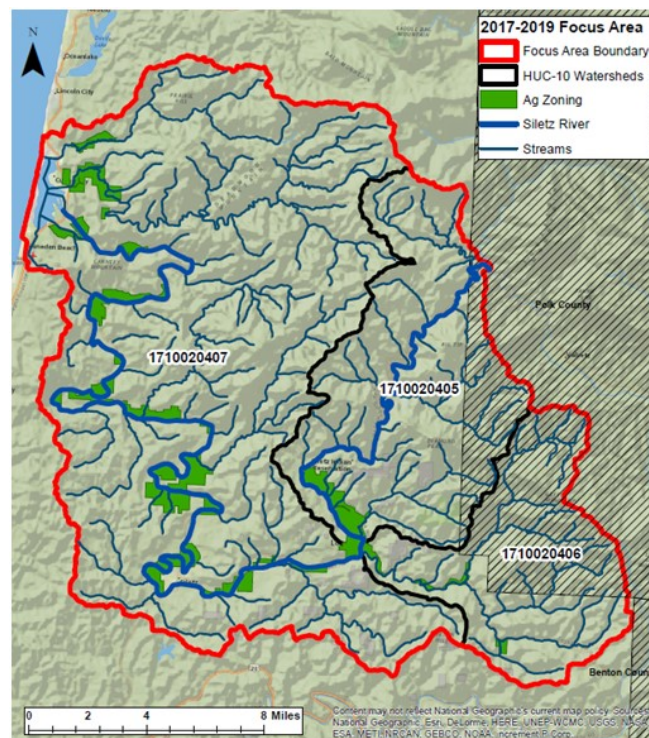
LSWCD 2017-2019 Focus Area

Lincoln SWCD selected the Siletz Watershed as its Focus Area in 2017 in order to 1) concentrate conservation efforts on agricultural waters and land, and 2) better document effectiveness of conservation projects.

The majority of this large focus area of 191,384 acres is zoned timber (82%) and only 7,903 acres (4%) is resource zoned agriculture, primarily in pastureland for beef cattle and hay.

During this biennium, LSWCD worked with landowners to develop projects and also worked closely with partner organizations on monitoring. In April 2019, LSWCD was awarded OWEB stakeholder engagement funding to conduct landowner outreach and engagement through the Siletz Focus Area during 2020-21.

A biennial milestone created from riparian plantings, invasive species removals, and livestock fencing included increasing native tree/shrub cover in riparian areas by 23 acres or a total change of 0.2% of the total focus area.



2019-20 Overviews: Projects by Basin

	Basin				
	Salmon/ Devils Lake	Siletz	Yaquina	Alsea/ Beaver	Yachats
<i>Monitoring</i>					
Mid Coast Monitoring Project 218-1035	X	X	X	X	X
Siletz Water Quality Monitoring 218-1040		X			
OHA Turbidity Threshold Sampling		X			
ODA Temperature Monitoring					X
City of Newport stormwater sampling			X		
Lincoln County Domestic Well Testing		X	X		
<i>Watershed Restoration</i>					
Schooner Creek Riparian Restoration		X			
4th of July Creek Restoration		X			
Sunshine Creek Riparian Restoration		X			
Long Prairie Creek Riparian Restoration		X			
Grant Creek Gutter Improvement			X		
Cascade Pacific Mill/Slack Creek			X		X
<i>Invasive Species Control</i>					
USFS Good Neighbor Agreement - Poole Thin				X	
Alsea Steward Group Noxious Weed Control Project				X	X
<i>Outreach and Engagement</i>					
Siletz Coho Business Plan Stakeholder Engagement		X			
Yachats Best Management Practices DEQ 007-19					X
Mid Coast Water Planning Partnership	X	X	X	X	X

Siletz Basin Highlights

- 5 salmonid spawning surveys
- Water quality monitoring and domestic well testing
- Riparian / stream restoration in 4 creeks
- Stakeholder engagement



Alesea/Beaver Basins Highlights

- 5 salmonid spawning surveys
- Stream Habitat surveys
- Project coordination for invasive species removal
- MCWPP field tours - Beaver Creek and Seal Rock Water District



Yachats Basin Highlights

- 3 salmonid spawning surveys
- Long-term temperature monitoring
- Tree planting and Project development with Yachats River Landowners



PARTNERS

Alesea Watershed Council • Alesea Stewardship Group Benton SWCD Bio-Surveys, LLC • Bureau of Land Management • Cascade Pacific RC&D • City of Lincoln City • City of Newport • City of Siletz • City of Toledo • City of Yachats • Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians • Dahl Disposal Inc. • Devils Lake Water Improvement District • Eddyville Charter High School • Hatfield Marine Science Center • Lincoln County Commissioners Lincoln County Public Works • Lincoln County Solid Waste • Marys River Watershed Council • MidCoast Watersheds Council • Mid Coast Cooperative Weed Management Area • Oregon Coast Aquarium • OR Conservation Employees Association Network • Oregon Department of Agriculture • Oregon Department of Environmental Quality • Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife • Oregon Department of Human Services Oregon Association of Conservation Districts • Plum Creek Foundation • Oregon Department of State Lands • Oregon League of Conservation Voters • OSU Extension • OSU Sea Grant • Oregon State Parks and Recreation • Oregon State Weed Board • Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board • Salmon Drift Creek Watershed Council • Siletz Charitable Community Foundation • Siletz Watershed Council • Siuslaw Soil and Water Conservation District • Siuslaw Watershed Council • Starker Forest Incorporated • Surfriider Foundation • USDA—Natural Resources Conservation Service • USFS—Siuslaw National Forest • Wetlands Conservancy • Western Invasives Network • Yaquina Watershed Council

STAFF AND ASSOCIATES

Jen Hayduk, Biosurveyor/Conservation Program Assistant /Interim District Manager/ Conservation Programs Manager

Tanya Graham, Fiscal Provider

Zach Wilson, Lead Field Technician

Casey Baldwin, Field Technician

Emily-Bell Dinan, Conservation Programs Coordinator

Mark Stone, Biosurveyor

Kelsey Miller, Biosurveyor

Danielle Jackson, AQI Intern/Biosurveyor



Significant Impacts to the District

COVID—19 Pandemic

With the declaration of a global pandemic in early 2020, the District faced new challenges and impacts to the year's workplan. The District was required to close the office off to the public. Many of the District's ongoing projects experienced significant changes, including field work being placed on hold or conducted at reduced capacity. Steelhead surveys and monitoring work ended early due to inability to get into the field. Most outreach projects were put on a delay until meeting in person was able to be done safely.

Staff Turnover

2019-2020 was a transitional year of staff departures and structural changes at LSWCD.

A HUGE THANK YOU AND ADIEU TO:

- **Kelsey Miller**, Biosurveyor, 2017 — December 2019
- **Mark Stone**, Biosurveyor, 1995 — February 2020
- **Emily—Bell Dinan**, Conservations Programs Coordinator, 2018 — March 2020
- **Danielle Jackson**, AQI Intern/Biosurveyor, 2019 —March 2020

With so many changes in the works, the District placed a hiring freeze in March 2020 and ended the fiscal year with one full-time staff and two part-time technical staff.



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