

Lahontan Conservation District

The mission of Lahontan Conservation District is to provide technical resource and educational services to people, groups, and agencies by identifying resource issues and creating programs to address THOSE issues.

There are five elected officials on the Lahontan Conservation Board; one appointed Churchill County Representative, one Contract Employee, and one Employee of the District.

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The Lahontan Conservation District
Board members meet the second
Tuesday of every month in the
conference room at the Agriculture
Service Center, 111 Sheckler Road
Fallon, Nevada.

The Stillwater Conservation District
Board members meet the second
Thursday of every other month

The District works in partnership with the USDA Natural
Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Fallon Field Office.

CHURCHILL COUNTY

Carson Truckee
Water Conservancy
District

CHURCHILL COUNTY
MOSQUITO & WEED
ABATEMENT DISTRICT



River Wranglers

STATE OF NEVADA



Carson Water Subconservancy District.

- Lahontan Conservation District received funding from CWSD Carson Water Subconservancy District. TCID cleared brush and sediment back to the original river bank starting from Diversion Dam and continuing downstream approximately 3 miles. Removed sediment build up above Hwy 50 bridge, Hwy 95 bridge, and above and below Bafford bridge. Having a steady stream flow reduces erosion and helps reduce the change of the water system caused by obstructions in the river.

Carson Truckee Water Conservancy District

Carson Truckee Water Conservancy District, will be funding a project for \$20,000.00 in 2020. LCD will be working with TCID to expand the river channel to the natural water flow. The sediment from the river is causing flooding to the low lying fields. Removing sediment and widening the river channel from Sagouspe Dam to the Wolf Dam will improve the functionality and management of the lower Carson River. Work will start in November 2019.





EQUIPMENT PROGRAM

The Lahontan Conservation District provides an equipment rental program to cooperators to use in conservation activities. The equipment includes a backhoe, two large dump trucks, two loaders, a pasture aerator, tilt bed trailer, and a road grader. Larry Miller is the Equipment Manager who rents, maintains and advertises the equipment for sale.

Weed Spray Class

The District's Noxious Weed program is to control the spread of Invasive/Noxious species and minimize the effect that these weeds have on the environment, the economy, and the agricultural community in Churchill County. The District continues to work with Churchill County Mosquito Weed Abatement to provide the community with an opportunity to take advantage of free chemical to spray their weeds.

The program is funded by the CWSD. The landowners are given 2, 4-D to spray their own properties. Landowners treat acres of white top, knapweed, puncture vine in the Lahontan Valley.





NACD National Association of Conservation District

The Lahontan and Stillwater Conservation District participated in the NACD poster contest. Posters are judged by the Board, with prizes awarded to local winners.

This year's theme was "Watersheds Our Water, Our Home", Kids in Kindergarten through 12th grade were encouraged to submit a poster depicting the theme.

CARSON RIVER WORK DAY!

•The Lahontan Conservation District, with River Wranglers, Churchill County FFA, and Oasis FFA held the Carson River Work Day. The location of the event took place at Rambling River Ranch. Over 550 fifth grade students from Numa Elementary, 80 High school student from Churchill County High School and 100 Oasis Academy students spent the day learning about the Lahontan Valley, the Water Cycle, the Carson River Watershed, how to build wood ducks boxes, and the importance of Soil.



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RANGE CAMP

Both the Lahontan and Stillwater Conservation District sponsored 2 youths to attend the Nevada Youth Range Camp. Nevada Youth Range Camp gives teenagers the best opportunity to learn about Nevada desert, mountain rangelands and diverse ecosystems. Nevada Youth Range Camp focuses on relationships between people and rangeland. Campers learn about plants, wildlife, water, and soil in order to make good decisions about rangeland management and use. They learn skills and explore careers in rangeland and related resource management. Camp was held on Fathers Day weekend at the Smith Creek Ranch.

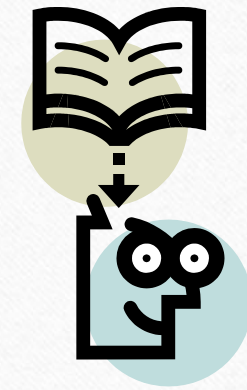
TREE SALE

- The Conservation District conducts an annual tree sale where bare root plants are sold and range in size depending on the species selected. The trees and shrubs are selected based on the Lahontan Valley's soils and the plants are drought tolerate. The trees purchased must be used for windbreak, soil erosion control, riparian restoration, or wildlife habitat improvement. Prices range from \$3.00 - \$4.50.



SCHOLARSHIP

The Nevada Association of Conservation
Districts Scholarship applications are
distributed to the Churchill County High
School and the Western Nevada College.



RAMBLING RIVER

Lahontan Conservation District monitors the Rambling River Ranches Conservation Easements by taking pictures and documenting all the necessary paper work. The District monitors the easements to make sure the easement is in compliance with the terms of the agreement.



BENCH BOTTOM

The Lahontan Conservation District assists NRCS with the Bench/Bottom Program to help water right owners get their bench allocation reinstated on their property.



SNAPSHOT DAY

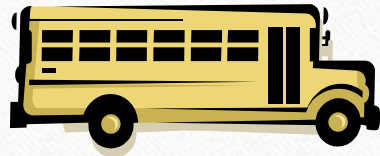
Snapshot Day is a one-day, volunteer based event designed to collect watershed information during one moment in time. Volunteer leaders are trained, and these leaders accompany teams of volunteers to various pre determined sites to collect information relative to the health of our watersheds.

The purpose of this effort is two-fold:

- TO PROMOTE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND STEWARDSHIP, AND
- TO COLLECT VALUABLE WATER QUALITY INFORMATION



GET ON THE BUS



- Carson River Watershed Tour

Upper Watershed

2 day bus tour from Heenan Lake Fuji Park, Hot Spring Mountain, Diamond Valley, Markleeville

Lower Watershed

East Silver Saddle, Virginia City, Fort Churchill, Lahontan Dam.



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