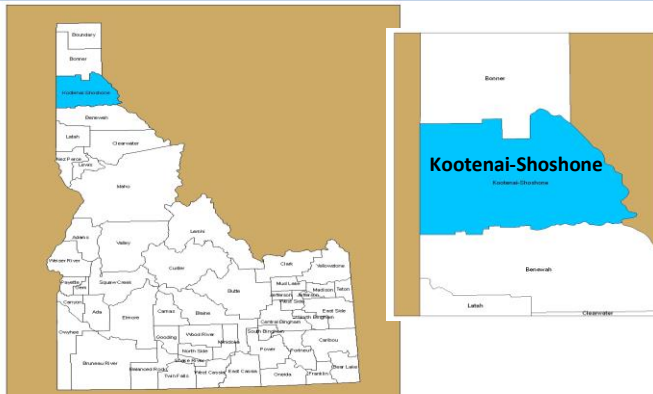


# Kootenai Shoshone Soil and Water Conservation District



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**KSSWCD Board Meetings: Second Wednesday of  
the month. 9:00 a.m.**

## Water Quality

**Mica Creek:** The District has been actively working with the landowners within the Mica Creek watershed, and various agencies to develop a watershed restoration project to continue water quality improvements. KSSWCD has led efforts to restore this watershed over the course of the last 15 years. Water quality has improved to the point where Kokanee salmon and Cutthroat trout have returned to Mica Creek to spawn. Plans include both stream and wetland restoration projects. Much of the funding has been secured in anticipation of final project plans and funding. KSSWCD has been awarded another 319 Grant for this 2021 year and work is complete. The District plans on continuing restoration and will continue to apply for upcoming grants.

### Top 7 Priorities

1. Cropland (Farm and Pasture Lands)
2. Surface Water Quality
3. Ground Water Quality
4. Woodland, Forestry and Silviculture
5. District Operations
6. Information, Education and Outreach
7. Watercraft Inspection Stations

### FY 2021 Gross Revenue

- Watercraft Insp Stations	\$434,468
- Wolf Lodge Creek	\$87,034
- Mica Creek	\$44,340
- Tree Sales	\$24,709
- State Allocations	\$15,039
- NACD TA Grant	\$12,363
- County Allocations	\$6,000

**District Mission** To maintain the Kootenai Shoshone Soil & Water Conservation District as a leading partner with other government agencies, private landowners and users, and the public in promoting voluntary, non-regulatory locally led conservation and wise stewardship of the natural resources with which our area has been so richly blessed.



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**Wolf Lodge Creek Reach #3** - The District was awarded a grant from the Restoration Partnership and a 319 BMP Grant from DEQ to do a streambank restoration project on two private landowner's properties in the Wolf Lodge Creek area. This project was for 2000 linear ft. of bank restoration. The construction for this project started on October 5, 2021 and was completed on November 24, 2021. This project has been a huge success for the District and the Wolf Lodge Creek area.

The District would like to thank all the agencies; DEQ, Restoration Partnership, ISWCC, NRCS, IDL, East Side Highway, Avista, Trans Canada, North Idaho Fly Casters, and the landowners for all their support



## Woodland, Forestry and Silviculture

The District participates in a forestry tree sales program now administered by Forest Owners Association. This year we sold over 48,000 seedlings, a slight decrease from the previous year. We are looking forward to another successful year with more timberland that is being reforested every year.

The tree sales for the upcoming 2022 year will be through the Pan Handle Seedling Program. This program is comprised of all four Districts in the Northern Panhandle, Bonner County, Boundary County, Benewah County and now Kootenai Shoshone. These seedlings are locally sourced and grown for Northern Idaho. We have professional foresters on the board that have the knowledge and experience to make the Pan Handle Seedling Program (PSP) a successful program and we anticipate a successful upcoming year of tree sales.

## Information, Education and Outreach

The District is looking forward to hosting another Growers Meeting in the near future. The last meeting was sponsored by Kootenai County Aquifer Protection District, Kootenai Shoshone County Farm Bureau, and Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission.

## Watercraft Inspection Stations

KSSWCD operates 4 watercraft inspection stations throughout Northern Idaho through a grant from ISDA. Each station is staffed with inspectors trained to detect invasive species threats that may contaminate and destroy the eco system of our lakes.



## District Operations

The District's financial health has been improving. The District has secured several new projects that can sustain the basic District efforts over the next several years.

FY 2021 revenues were up substantially, much because of the 4 boat stations. The FY 2021 budget predicts a slight increase, and receipts are coming in on schedule.

We wish to acknowledge the Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission and NRCS for the support they provide to the partnership. Aubrey Hoxie of NRCS, Katie Yoder and Bill Lillibridge of ISWCC provide technical support that allows the District to complete conservation projects.

## Kootenai Shoshone Soil & Water Conservation District Board Members and Staff

Vacant	Chairman
Bob Burke	Vice-Chairman
Robert Flagor	Supervisor
Linda Ely	Supervisor
Laurin Scarcello	Supervisor
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