



Other Accomplishments

RESIDENCY ORDINANCE BOUNDARY CHANGE



Rearranged from 7 areas to 4, with an additional 3 supervisors to be elected anywhere within the CD boundaries



POLLINATOR INITIATIVE Since it began

- 370 individuals
- 2 additional organizations
 - Prickly Pear Land Trust
 - Feathered Pipe Foundation
- almost 20 acres worth of seed distributed
- 4 additional grants
 - Helena Community Gardens
 - Feathered Pipe Foundation



EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION

With Board support, our Administrator devotes ~5 hours per week leading the Montana CD Employee Organization to the benefit of all CDs in Montana

2025 FEATURE ACCOMPLISHMENT

EDUCATION & OUTREACH

In the Lewis and Clark Conservation District Strategic Plan, the board prioritizes Education/Outreach/Communications, Projects, Programs, Stream Permitting & Riparian Health, and District Capacity Building. In our activities related to all of these priorities, we have some form of Education and Outreach. The board and staff treat every contact with landowners, land managers and other as an education/outreach opportunity.

The 310 stream permitting program is viewed as “value added”, providing education to applicants not only about their projects and how they could be done better, but also to better inform them as to other resources. For example, as part of approving permits, we often provide information on noxious weed control and the benefit of re-seeding with native vegetation.

Summary and Results

2025 To-Date:

- 3500 Willow Harvest for grant project and 3 landowners
- >3400 educated with Rolling Rivers Trailer
- Attendance and Education at:
 - Gold Country Master Gardener's Symposium
 - East Helena 4th Grade Ag Day
 - Old Salt Festival
 - Summer Walk Series
 - Montana Conservation Elders Outdoor Youth Experience Event
- Assisted the Montana Climate Office in connecting with 3 landowners in the county for their Mesonet project
- Website > 5300 users
- Facebook > 5400 reached
- Instagram > 990 users reached

Key District Partners

- Sun River Watershed Group
- Lake Helena Watershed Group
- Helena Community Of Resource Educators (Helena CORE)
- Prickly Pear Land Trust
- Missouri River CD Council
- East Helena School District
- Lincoln School District
- Augusta School District
- Landowners
- County Weed District/Extension
- Water Quality Protection District



History of CD

Charter Date-June 25, 1948

Main Efforts

- Education & Outreach to youth and adults
- Stream Projects
- Fire Recovery Projects
- Flood Recovery Projects
- Stream Permitting

About Us

- We have 6 watersheds in our district and our supervisor area boundaries are mostly drawn on those lines
- In 2025, the board voted to change to a 4 residency area, with an additional 3 supervisors to be elected from anywhere in the District
- Our fiscal year is the same as the calendar year
- The district doesn't include the 1948 boundaries of municipalities
- The district straddles the Continental Divide
- We require 310 permits on Canyon Ferry, Hauser and Holter Reservoirs as "run of the Missouri River" reservoirs

Board & Staff

<u>Supervisors</u>	<u>Start Year</u>
Jeff Ryan-Chair.....	2014
Karl Christians-Vice Chair.....	2021
Jeanette Nordahl-Treasurer.....	2016
Sarah Howe-Cobb.....	2015
Stan Frasier.....	1997
John Baucus.....	2020
Elena Frederick.....	2025

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Start Year</u>
Chris Evans, District Adm.....	1999
Joe Kremer-Herman, Res Spclst.....	2023

2025 Statistics

<u>310 PERMITS TO DATE</u> 23 Applications 2 Complaint 4 Emergencies	<u>SUPERVISOR STATS</u> ~750hours and over 3700 miles traveled	<u>SHORE/BANK WORK</u> 4 Landowners and 1 additional entity assisted with streambank/shoreline work for a total of about 1000 feet
<u>ROLLING RIVERS TRAILER</u> Multiple events this year totaling over 3400 educated	<u>EDUCATION/OUTREACH</u> ~55 events in 2025 Uncountable contacts on a day to day basis with landowners, land managers and others	<u>POLLINATOR INITIATIVE 2025</u> 140 participants /370 over 6 yrs 4.5 new acres of seed delivered/20 acres over 6 yrs Pollinator workshop with 32 attendees

2024/25 Funding Sources

GRANTS

Pollinator Initiative-\$7161.00
District FY 2025/26 Permits/Dues-\$8500.00
Grizzly Gulch Planting-\$5755.00
Threemile Project-\$50,000.00
MCDEO Employee Recruitment & Retention-\$84,700.00
Threemile Dam Planning-\$62,400.00
Willow Ck Feeder Canal-\$125,00.00

2025 Budget

County Mill Levy~\$170,000
Permissive Mill Levy for Benefits-\$12,000
Sponsorships~\$1000
Grants~\$56,000
**Other than MACD dues and 310 permit reimbursement, Lewis and Clark CD doesn't qualify for the CDA Grant

Priorities for 2026

PROGRAM & SERVICE DELIVERY

To continue and enhance our current programs, and improve delivery of our programs and services to the people of Lewis and Clark County, utilizing our long-range and operations plans.