



The Dirt is intended to provide a monthly summary of recent activities and inform you of upcoming events and important information. We have other mailing lists that target specific land uses or topics and communications are sent throughout the year. If you are interested in receiving additional information from ACCD, please contact us at info@asotincd.org or 509-552-8117.

❖ **NEW EQUIPMENT**

Over the last decade, ACCD has helped with cost-share on manure management containment systems for cooperators. Very few of those who have collected cattle manure had any way of spreading the manure on crop fields. Recently, the WA Conservation Commission received funding and provided grant opportunities through the Sustainable Farms & Fields Program. ACCD was awarded funds to purchase manure screening and spreading equipment. The District now owns a Revolver trommel and a Kuhn spreader. We are working on developing the rental policy and documents. Cooperators will soon be able to utilize these incredible pieces of equipment!

❖ **CLOSING OUT FISCAL YEAR**

Our fiscal year is quickly coming to an end. Cost-share projects need to be completed prior to June 30th. *Please coordinate with your technician regarding the status of your projects.*

On July 1st, the new fiscal year will begin and with it comes new grants and contracts. A new round of funding will be available for projects that enhance and protect natural resources. Stop by the office to talk to us about planning your next project!

❖ **COVER CROPS**

Did you miss out on the last round of funding for cover crops? Well, here's another chance! More funding is coming through the Sustainable Farms and Fields program during the upcoming biennium. The program's goal is to adopt soil health management systems. We will be submitting a grant application in July. Contact Brad Riehle to get on the list, 509-552-8121 or brad@asotincd.org.

❖ **BIO CONTROLS FOR NOXIOUS WEEDS**

The District placed the biological control order in May. The biological control center starts collecting bugs in late June through July. Depending on the biological control agent they may collect later into August. We should be receiving the orders within the next month! We will contact you when your order is ready for pick-up. Orders can be picked up at the District office. If you have any questions, please contact Kodie at (509) 552-8119.

❖ **FIRE PREDICTION**

Central Oregon, Predictive Services Area (PSA) NW06, and central Washington, PSAs NW05 and NW10, are expected to have above normal significant fire potential. The rest of the Northwest Geographic Area is expected to have near normal significant fire potential for June.

Outlooks for June suggest that temperatures will most likely be warmer than normal for the Northwest Geographic Area. Precipitation will most likely be lower than typical for western Washington in June, with no anomaly forecast elsewhere. For July and beyond, temperatures are most likely to be warmer than normal and precipitation lower than normal for the entire geographic area.

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UPCOMING DATES

- **Office Closed – Holiday – July 4th**
- **ACCD Monthly Board Meeting: July 6th at 6pm**

FUN FACT!

About 71% of the earth is water. The oceans hold approximately 96.5% of this water and the ice caps hold about 2%. The remaining water exists in rivers, ponds, glaciers, ice caps, lakes, as water vapor and our taps, among other water bodies.



New screening trommel and manure spreader!



5th grade students release rainbow trout that they raised from the Salmon in the Classroom program.