



## September 2014 Administrator Report

Time is flying and fall is quickly approaching. Our Fair in July went really well, attendance seemed to be down at the fair but once again our booth was well attended and seemed to be a favorite. I did take the first two weeks of August off.

Kenzie Stahl did an excellent job finishing up the site visits for the various projects we have been involved in over the years. Dennis Kenney was available to attend the sites with her. She has updated the website to show the sites that she had visited and I will be working on a PowerPoint presentation about the projects. Summer went very quickly and we were not able to complete all of the things I was hoping to get accomplished, however we did turn focus to documenting the project and were able to complete.

I have been attending CBMPA meetings over the past year and we are interviewing candidates to replace LeAnna Johnson who has resigned and will be moving on to new and exciting things. MACD has taken an interest in the group with the resignation of the LeAnna and the future of the committee in question.

Our Soil Health workshop is in the works for December 2015. I have reserved the fairgrounds and am working on an outline of the agenda so that we can confirm times for speakers etc.

We have the dates set for Montana Youth Range Camp in 2015, Colstrip is the town. Jewel Davenport is going to forward my email to the administrator in Colstrip schools and see what they think as far as hosting in the schools. We will go forward from there.

Tree season is upon us once again. I will not be ordering from Lincoln Oakes Nursery this planting season, due to the amount of disorder from last year with deliveries and mix-ups on orders. They are also unwilling to work with us on ordering individual orders for the producers. I have decided to keep our orders with Montana State Nursery and Towner Nursery for the majority of our orders. I will be ordering trees that MSN and TSN do not have from Siouxland Nursery in South Dakota. Custer County CD is happy with their customer service and the quality of stock. If we have a large amount of trees this year, it will be a much larger production and we will need to prepare for distributing the trees in a different format.

Area IV meeting is in Joliet on the 24<sup>th</sup> and there is an Administrator Training in Miles City on September 16.

Bobbi L Vannattan.

