



April Administrator Report

Conservation Days is coming together as far as instructors and schools. We will have to hope for nice weather. The only site that may need to be changed is the McRae site for Colstrip.

These winter and early spring months are supposed to be my time for catching up on things in the office, getting all the filing done, and planning the upcoming months outreach, cleaning up and organizing my desk, starting reports, etc. However that has not been the case this winter and spring.

The 223 grant for the filming project; the information and details were not coming together, we could not get either of the two private entities that would have benefited from the publicity to commit to any match funds, I had requested a written commitment for match funds to include in the grant application from all of the parties. None of the participating parties had officially met with their board to say yes or no and it turned out that the GLCI was not going to match any funds. The cooperation and attention to detail was not enough to build a solid and complete grant application for the project.

The 310 and Soil Health workshop is going to come together very well. I have put together a tentative agenda and spoken with Byron Hould regarding weed points, he is going to put something together for at least one point. ACE is not able to attend, but we will have at least one if not more FWP attending. The Forsyth County Club is reserved for April 19th, from noon through dinner. I ordered folders and paper to start putting together meeting information for attendees.

I attended the Ag Expo in Hysham. I was surprised at the turnout of producers and exhibitors. It was good for networking and to put some faces to names of producers. Next year I think it would be beneficial to have a booth for the CD and put together a little more information to hand out.

I had planned on spacing out the events of April and May, and initially had a fairly relaxed schedule of events regarding trees, conservation days, arbor days and fishing days. Due to conflict of schedules, testing times for schools that is no longer the case. I will pick up trees in Miles City on Monday April 22nd, the trees from Lincoln Oakes will arrive on the 23rd and the 24th. Pickups are scheduled for the 25th and the 26th. Conservation days will start on Tuesday April 30th at Forsyth, Wednesday May 1st in Colstrip and Thursday May 2nd at Crazy Head Springs, we will end the week with Arbor Day at the Forsyth Elementary school on Friday the 3rd. Fishing Days is scheduled for Thursday May 9th in Colstrip. Stewardship week is observed April 28- May 5th. Posters, activity sheets and bookmarks will go out to all of the area schools and libraries.

The Rosebud Treasure County Fair is scheduled for July 18-21st. We need to decide what our theme should be for our fair booth this year.

Summer will be here before we know it. I have a conflict with day care for my kids and would like the board to consider allowing me to work four days a week 10 hours a day through the summer. Most weeks would be Monday through Thursday, exceptions would be when baby sitter wants Monday instead of Friday for three day weekends.