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HILL COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Winter Newsletter

50% Cost Share for Ranchers along Creeks and Rivers

The Ranching for Rivers program has received funding for another season! This program offers a 50% cost share for producers looking to implement off-stream watering for their cattle. The program offers funding for grazing plans, cattle crossings, stock tanks, and pipelines to projects that include fencing cattle out of stream banks. It's a great option for producers looking to install stock tanks on a more accelerated timeline than other programs. If you're interested in pursuing this opportunity please contact emma.k@macdnet.org for more details. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis from January through September of this year.



Winter Meetings

Board Meetings are held at 5pm the third Thursday of the month in the USDA building at 206 25th Ave. W. Havre.

January 25th
February 22nd
March 21st

Board Members

Ted Brown - Board Chair
Lou Hagener - Vice Chair
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HCCD welcomes an AmeriCorp Service Member

This month Big Sky Watershed Corp member Madison Colyer joined us in the Havre office. Madison will be working with us throughout 2024 to assess stream health along Beaver Creek and Big Sandy Creek and provide any additional watershed support to our community. Madison is looking forward to getting out and exploring all Hill County has to offer.



2024 Soil Symposium

The Soil Symposium is just around the corner! This three day event in Billings is a great learning and networking opportunity for producers of all sorts. The event has a heavy focus on creating resilient systems and how regenerative farming techniques can be applied in our area. This year some of the speakers are locals; Larry Johnson, Shawn Preputin, and Alec McIntosh are giving a talk on utilizing compost tea to bolster the soil health of your fields.

The Symposium runs from February 6 - 8th so book now if you're interested in attending! Find more information at mtsoilhealth.org.

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or by appointment

