



Socorro SWCD

Socorro Soil and Water Conservation District

FY2025 Fall Newsletter



Thinking about improving your soil?

Apply for NMDA Healthy Soil Program!

Steps to take when applying for Healthy Soil Program

1.Conservation planning

What is conservation planning?

A: Conservation planning is the process of identifying conservation objectives for a piece of land, as well as assessing and analyzing the natural resources issues on that land related to soil and other components (water, animals, plants, air, energy, and human interaction).

2. Plan Your timeline budget

Budget Time line is very important , because healthy soil is in the Fall / Winter it is Important that you plan on implementing project scheduled with your daily life as well as with your personal Budget.

3.Online application

This grant is an online application. Once you get a conservation plan and a timeline complete, you must come to a SWCD Board meeting to present your project to receive a letter of support .

4. Submit your online application

Deadline to submit applications along with time line and letter of support is March 19th 2025.

Address at least 2 of the 5 principles of healthy soil:

Keeping soil covered

Minimizing soil disturbance on cropland and minimizing external inputs

Maximizing biodiversity

Maintaining a living root

Integrating animals into land management, including grazing animals, birds,

Beneficial insects or keystone species, such as earthworms

The Socorro SWCD is Now taking applications for a Conservation planning to help Improve your soil!

Healthy Soil Meetings

November 7th 2024 @4:30pm-5:30pm

January 8th 2025 @4:30pm-5:30pm

February 11th 2024 @4:30pm-5:30pm

Location

Socorro County Extension office

198 Neel Avenue

Socorro, NM 87801

The Socorro Soil & Water Conservation District offers a Cost Share Program to all residents within our district. The program offers up to \$6,000 in cost share assistance for agricultural soil and water conservation practices, \$600 in cost share assistance for urban soil and water conservation practices such as drip irrigation, rainwater harvesting systems and low flow toilets.

Cost Share Program !!

How to Conserve Water

- Fix any small leaks in home
- Install efficient faucet fixtures
- Take Shorter showers
- Turn off faucet while brushing teeth
- Harvest rain water
- Adding mulch to your garden keeps soil to retain the water
- Choose native trees/shrubs/ grass that don't require much water



Important dates

October 14th Board meeting

November 11th Board meeting

November 28th Thanksgiving day (office closed)

December 9th Board meeting

