



# **Barber County Conservation District**

**2016**

**A Year At A Glance**

# 2016 Annual Meeting

- **Community Building, Kiowa, KS**
- **Election Of One Supervisor:  
John Cook**
- **Poster Contest Winners**
- **Banker's Conservation Award Winners:  
William C Root Trust  
Watts Ranch LLC**
- **Outstanding Conservationist:  
John & Linda Forester**

**District Recognized Sam Baier For His 27 Years Of Service To The District Board. Sam's Service Extended To The KACD Grasslands Committee For 21 Years. His Wife Bonnie Also Served On The KACD Education & Youth Committee For Many Years.**





# **Local Operational Agreement**

**The Local Operational Agreement Between NRCS And The Conservation District Basically Establishes That NRCS Provides Facilities, Equipment, And Technical Assistance To The District. In Turn, The District Provides Clerical Assistance To NRCS, Including Administration of Federal Cost Share Programs.**

# **Federal Cost Share Programs**

**Environmental Quality Incentives  
Program (EQIP)**

**Conservation Stewardship Program  
(CSP)**



# **EQIP Sign-Up**

- **November Application Deadline**
- **Assisted NRCS With Clerical Support**
  - **Received 28 EQIP Applications**
  - **CSP Applications Are Still Being Accepted Until February 3<sup>rd</sup>, And Considered For FY 2017 Funding**



# EQIP

- **Funded 3 New Contracts In The Amount Of \$80,771 For Improving Soil Quality In Cropland and Grasslands Health & Vigor, Providing Livestock Water, & Improving Wildlife Habitat (Brush Management, Prescribed Burning, Livestock Water Pipelines, Wells, Tanks, Prescribed Grazing Incentives, Cross-Fencing, Cover Crops, Waterways, No-till)**



# CSP

- **Funded 6 New CSP Contracts In The Amount Of \$829,575 For Maintaining and Improving Existing Conservation Systems and Adopting Additional Practices** (Use Drift Reducing Irrigation Nozzles, Watering Facility Escape Ramps, Monitoring Grazing Areas To Improve Management, Rotation and Supplement of Feeding Areas)





# **Water Resources Cost Share Program**

**Sign-up - April 1 – April 30**

- **Funds Received July 1 - \$17,621.00**
- **December Reallocation - \$1,682.51**

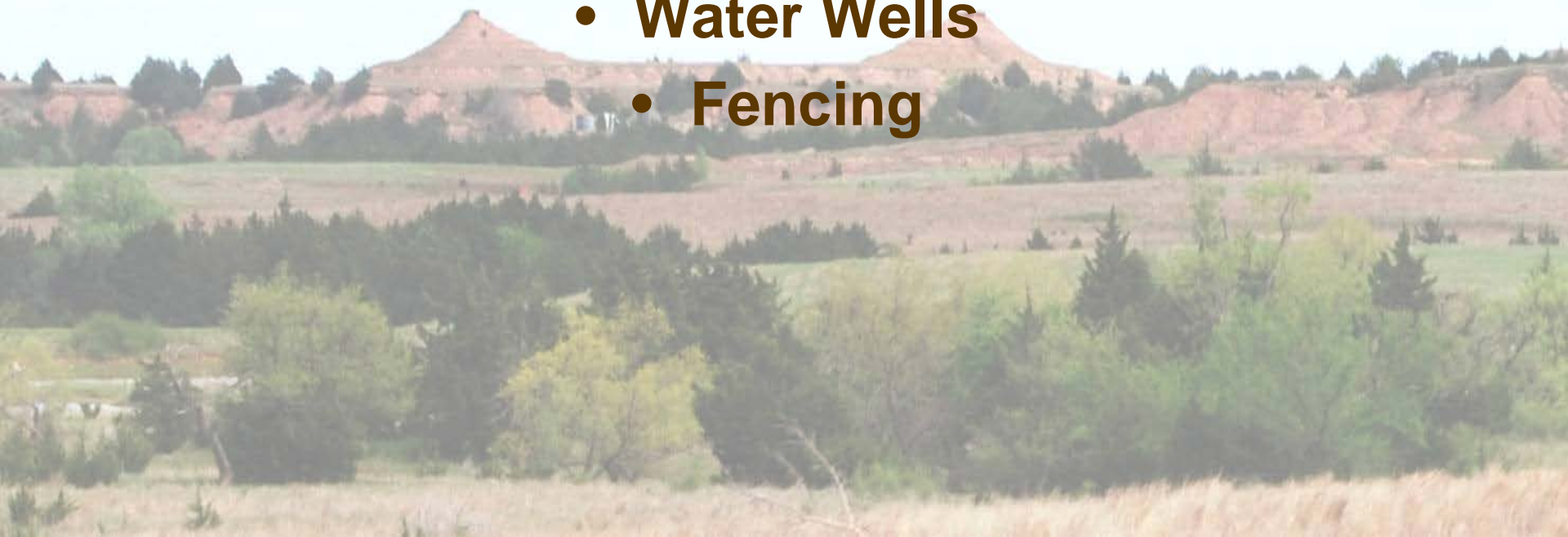


# WRCSP Allocations

**Livestock Water Developments - \$19,303.51**

**Practices Included:**

- **Pumping Plants for Water Supply**
  - **Watering Facilities**
    - **Water Wells**
      - **Fencing**



# **Non-Point Source Pollution Control Program (NPS)**

**Fund Allocation - \$12,918.00**

- **Livestock Water Developments-\$6,375.04**
- **On Site Waste System - \$6,542.96**





# Conservation Accomplishments

- **Practices Applied To Benefit Soil Quality On 4,012 Acres**
- **Practices Applied To Benefit Water Quality On 20,420 Acres**
- **Practices Applied To Benefit Grazing Lands On 26,047 Acres**
- **Practices Applied To Benefit Wildlife Habitat On 1,160 Acres**

# **Total Acres And \$\$\$**

- **Conservation Plans  
Written On 51,639 Acres**
- **Contracts Funded For \$942,567**



# **Conservation Tree Planting Program**

**District Cooperates With Kansas Forest Service To Offer Low-Cost Tree And Shrub Seedlings For Use In Conservation Plantings. Orders Are Taken From Early December Through May 1, But Order Early to Insure Species Availability.**



# CoCoRaHS

**Community Collaborative  
Rain, Hail and Snow  
Network**

**Recognizing The  
Importance Of Accurate  
Data Collection And  
Reporting, The District  
Acts As County  
Coordinator For  
CoCoRaHS.**

**District Station Reported  
“26.88” In 2016**



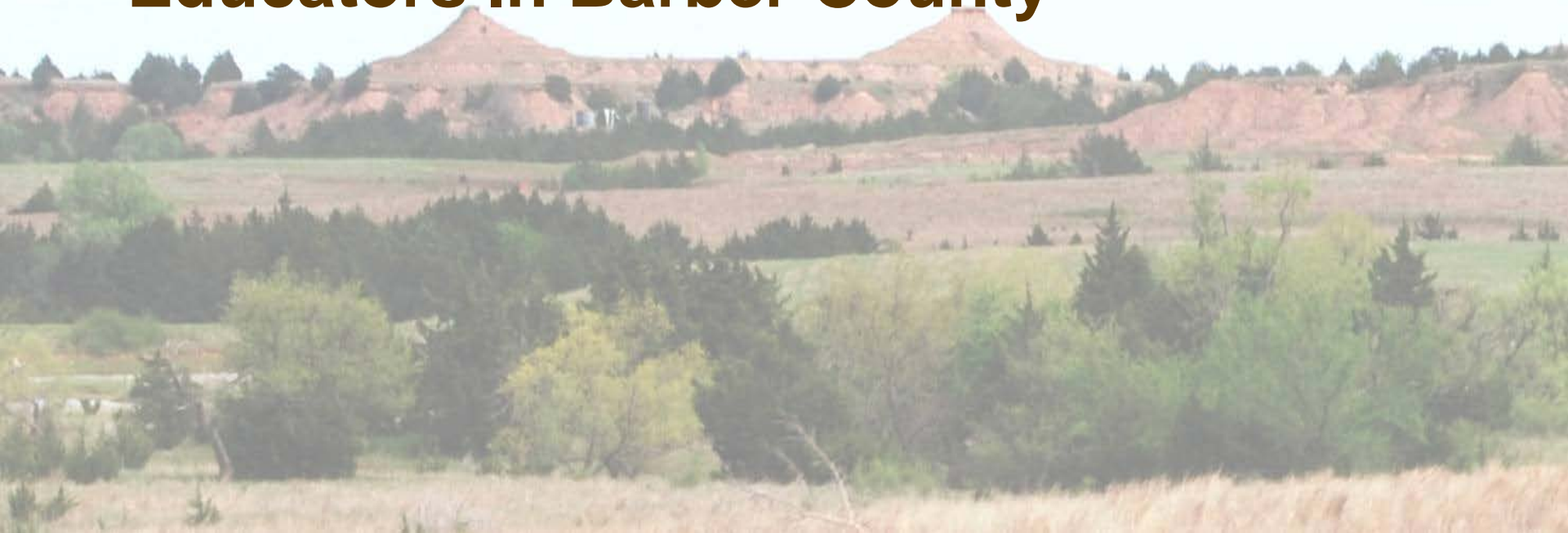
# District Coordinated Effort To Distribute Two Loads Of Donated Oilfield Pipe To Landowners Affected By The Anderson Creek Wildfire For Replacing Fences.



# **2016 Stewardship Week**

## **April 24 – May 1**

- **Theme – “We All Need Trees”**
- **District Offers Free Stewardship Materials Offer To Churches And Educators In Barber County**





# Spring Wildflower Tour

**May 7 Was A Delightful Day As Seventy-Two Guests Gathered On The Barber County Prairies To See An Abundance Of Native Wildflowers.**



# **No-Till Education Funds**

**District Engaged In Funding Opportunity  
For Barber County Producer To Attend  
No-Till On The Plains Winter Conference.**





# **Range School**

**District Sponsored A Student To Attend  
The Kansas Grazing Lands Coalition  
2016 Mid/Short Grass Range School.**





# **Youth Range Camp**

**District Sponsored High School Student  
To Attend The 2016 Range Youth Camp.**



# Soil Health Education Funds

District Received Grant In The Amount of \$1,472.00 For On-Going Cover Crop Test Plot.





# Barber County Fair

## July 22-24

**This Year's Booth  
Highlighted Youth  
& Education  
Activities The  
District Is Involved  
With In Barber  
County. And Then  
There's Cotton  
Candy!**





# Fair

**Thanks To The Assistance of Harold Kline, The Kids Enjoyed The Fun Of Old Time Duck Races.**



# Poster Contest

- Theme - "We All Need Trees"
- 277 Entries





# Conservation Field Day

## South Barber County Students Enjoyed A Day On The Z Bar Ranch.





# Conservation Field Day



# **Bankers Conservation Tour**

**NRCS Technician, Carl Jarboe, and District Supervisors, Ted Alexander and Calvin Boyd Toured Barber County With Key Banker Mike Niederee To Look At Conservation Practices Completed and Maintained by Nominees.**





# **Kansas Association of Conservation Districts Annual Meeting November 20-22**

- **3 Board Members and District Manager  
in Attendance.**
- **Networking Opportunity**
- **Attend Educational Sessions  
Addressing Latest Conservation Topics  
And Issues**



# Products For Sale

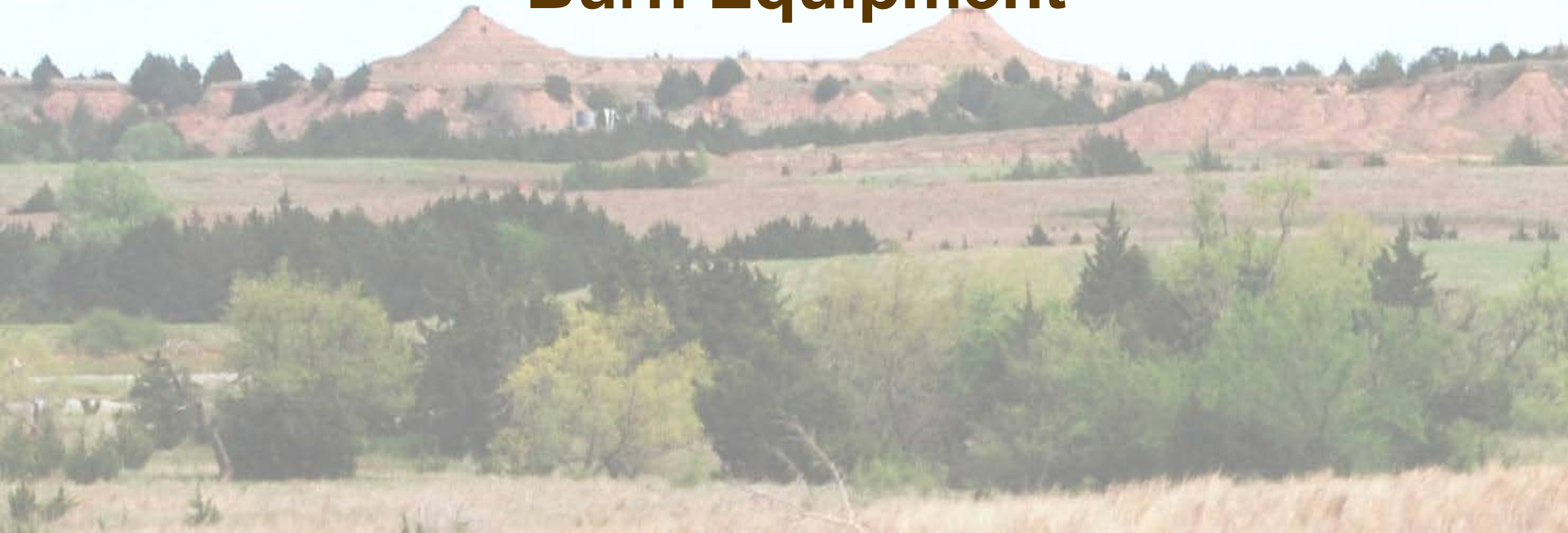
- **Grass Seed**
- **Corrugated Plastic Pipe**
- **Corrugated Metal Pipe**
- **Cable Fencing**



# Services

*Available for Rent*

- **Grass Drill**
- **No Till Drill**
- **Burn Equipment**



# Door Prize Contributors

HOMETOWN MARKET

OK COOP

THE PLUM THICKETT INN

D & K FLORAL & DESIGN

SIMPLE SIMONS/TACO TICO

RICKE SERVICE

FARMER'S COOP EQUITY

HOME LUMBER

FARMERS COOP COMPANY

SMALL TOWN TEEs & GIFTS

MIKE'S SERVICE & ALIGNMENT

FARM BUREAU

SIMPSON'S

THE SIDE LINE

SHIRTS & MORE

BURGER SHACK

SUBWAY

WHITE'S

WILLIAMS AG

RAYKIES GRILL

TO HAAS



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## **The Conservation District Is On The Web!**

**Lots Of Information Available On Everything  
From The Wildflower Tour – Cost Share –  
Products for Sale – The Newsletter – NRCS  
Programs – Contractors List – Youth &  
Education Activities And Winners.**

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# **Sustainability**

**Let Your County Commissioners Know How Important The Conservation District Is To You. Encourage Them To Continue Supporting Conservation Through Their Funding Commitment.**



# **We're Here To Serve You**

**Let Us Know How We Can Help Address  
The Conservation Issues That Are  
Important To You.**

