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ANALYSIS COST-SHARE PROGRAM

Program Objectives

To foster greater awareness and comprehension of natural resources, particularly soil and water, among the residents of the Lower Wind River Conservation District (LWRCD). This initiative aims to facilitate the cost-sharing of expenses for comprehensive testing at accredited analytical laboratories. Recognizing this role as the foundation upon which all Conservation Districts are established, this program seeks to promote informed stewardship of our shared environmental resources.

Program Funding & Cost-Share Rates for 2025:

Due to increasing laboratory fees associated with the water and soil testing programs, a 10% charge of the total price of the tests will be implemented for both services which is outlined below. For questions about what is included with the charge, please contact our office.

WELL WATER TESTING

1. Constituents must pick up a sampling kit and instructions from the LWRCD office during regular office hours at least one day before the posted testing date. Kits are available anytime.
2. A charge of \$25.00 for livestock and family water tests is due at the time of pickup.
 - a. One per household per year. If more than one test is needed, the cost of the analysis exceeding \$300.00, will be paid by the constituent.
3. Bacteria well water tests remain free
4. Testing dates are scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of April, May, and October.
5. Constituents must collect their sample(s) on the same day as the testing date and deliver the sample(s) to the LWRCD office no later than 11:59 a.m. on that day.
6. LWRCD personnel will then transport the sample(s) to Energy Laboratories in Casper, WY.
7. Test results will be sent directly to the constituent upon completion of analysis.
8. If you need a kit and analysis completed outside of our testing dates, constituents are welcome to grab a kit and take it to Energy Laboratories at their convenience.

SOIL TESTING

1. LWRCD provides soil testing through the Stukenholtz Laboratory in Twin Falls, Idaho. Participants can utilize this service through LWRCD by picking up soil bags from our office.
2. Alternatively, participants may collect and mail their samples to a lab of their choice. Upon completion of testing, they can bring their receipts to the LWRCD office for reimbursement.
3. A charge of \$10.00 per soil test through Stukenholtz or 10% for the cost of soil test from the lab of your choice, is due at the time of pickup.
 - a. Multiple soil tests can be completed; however, when the total cost of the soil test(s) exceeds \$300.00, the constituent will pay the remaining balance of the soil analysis.
4. Participants are responsible for collecting and delivering their samples to the LWRCD office.
5. Test results will be sent directly to the constituent upon completion of the analysis.