

SEMINOLE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

ANNUAL REPORT 1964

SANFORD FLORIDA

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Sanford, Florida

With the rapid increase in population growth that is now taking place in our area, and with an eye to the predicted increase in the future, the Seminole Soil Conservation District is keenly aware of its present and future responsibilities in Soil and Water Conservation within the District. We are not only aware of our role of providing technical assistance to landowners in developing basic conservation plans and getting necessary conservation practices applied to the land to conserve our Soil and Water resources, but we are also aware of the potential assistance which we might render to those groups responsible for the planning for this urban build-up. Along this line, the completed soil survey work in this District and its publication should be of immense value.

Our District again sponsored and promoted Soil Stewardship Week in 1964. Seven churches are known to have participated in this event. It is estimated that some 800 persons attended sermons dealing with Soil Stewardship. 1,000 inserts were placed in church bulletins during this period.

The District sponsored the annual Public Speaking Contest and prizes totaling \$50 were awarded to the top three individuals.

Don Sipes won 1st. place and was awarded \$25. \$15 went to the second place winner, and the third place winner received \$10. Seven persons from three schools participated in this event.

A total of twelve talks on conservation were given to garden clubs, school groups and civic organizations. Six films on conservation were shown to local schools and garden clubs. Two Boy Scout Troops were given assistance on conservation. This was in the form of a tour with discussion, enabling the awarding of Conservation Merit Badges. The District was represented during Conservation Week by having an exhibit on display in the Civic Center in Sanford. Conservation Week was held in Sanford in October. Several news articles were written and published in the Sanford Herald during 1964, regarding soil and water conservation.

A total of seven meetings were held by the Board of Supervisors during 1964. These meetings are held to discuss District business and they enable us to bring out present problems and problems which we will be facing in the future as the District grows in population. By having a better understanding of existing problems and those we will encounter in the future, we will be better able to cope with them as they arise. In short, these meetings are necessary for us to fulfill our obligations of carrying on the District Program. Two of our Board Members, Mr. Jack Dodd and Mr. Elbert Conneck, resigned their positions in 1964.

Two Soil Conservation Technicians are assigned to our District. Russell Radd replaced Ben Wiggins as Work Unit Conservationist beginning the first of September. John Winter is the Conservation Engineering Technician. We also have the services on a part-time basis, of Area personnel from the Area Office in Orlando.

The District Program was carried out in 1964 with the assistance of other personnel and agencies. These were: Personnel from the Central Florida Experiment Station and the Agricultural Extension Service; Wilber Arp, Office Manager of the ASCS office; Raymond McGough, Farmers Home Administration representative; Bill West and Don Farrens, Vo. Ag. Instructors; Terrell Davis, Farm Forester, and local Forest Rangers.

We here in the Seminole Soil Conservation District are always striving toward our ultimate goal of covering all land and water resources with a conservation plan and applying all conservation practices necessary for their protection. A total of 28 new cooperators signed agreements with the District in 1964, for technical assistance in developing conservation plans for their lands. Twenty-seven Basic Plans were developed with cooperators and 9 basic plans were revised during the year. The installation of tile drains for removing excess water from marginal wetland citrus groves continues to be one of the more widely used practices in the District. Approximately 25,000 ft. of tile drains were installed last year. Other conservation practices which were applied last year included: 3,565 acres of cover crops; 25,600 ft. of firebreaks; proper irrigation water management on 2,143 acres; 15,420 ft. of drainage ditches; 228 acres of pasture planted; and 3 ponds stocked with fish.

One important project which the District carried out in 1964 was the placing of signs at the District boundary on all the main highways leading into the District. The purpose of these signs is to advertise the Seminole Soil Conservation District and let people know where the District boundaries begin and end. These signs were purchased from the National Association.

District Program for 1965

<u>Activity</u>	<u>How</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Who</u>
Hold regular Board Meetings each month	Notices by mail	3rd Wednesday each month	Secretary
Publicize District operations	Talks, films, news articles, tours & demonstrations	All Year	All Supervisors & Technicians
Continue to promote the closing of abandoned flowing wells	Personal contacts & news media	All Year	All Supervisors & Technicians
Hold District Public Speaking Contest	By providing Awards & Publicity	April	Supervisors & WUC
Promote and assist in Soil Stewardship Week	By obtaining materials from NACD & distributing to ministers & local church leaders	April-May	Supervisors & WUC
Continue to promote planning & application of conservation practices on the land	By providing technical assistance & guidance to landowners	All Year	All Supervisors & Technicians

Miscellaneous

As of December 31, 1964, our District owned one rotary-type mower valued at approximately \$ 90 and one Martin-type ditcher valued at approximately \$40. A small rental fee is charged to the users of this equipment to help pay depreciation and cost of repairs.

The Seminole County Commissioners appropriated \$500 toward paying the expenses of running this District in 1964. This was used in paying district expenses such as telephone bills, Soil Stewardship material, awards and educational material, district office supplies and stamps, and expenses for supervisors to attend out-of-county meetings.

Seminole Soil Conservation District
Annual Report of Receipts &
Expenditures

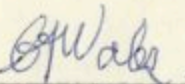
Receipts (by source)

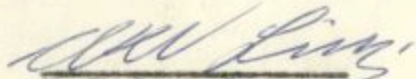
Balance Brought Forward (Dec. 31, 1963) and to include amounts in savings accounts	\$338.93
Co. Bd. Commissioners (supplies, equipment, aids, clerical help & etc.)	500.00
Receipts from rental of District equipment	<u>114.00</u>
Total	\$952.93

Expenditures (Classified)

Telephone Bills, District office supplies and stamps, Soil Stewardship materials, and expenses for Supervisors to attend out-of-county meetings.	\$500.00
SCD Expenditures - Exhibit materials, Speaking Contests, and repair-upkeep of District equipment	331.31
Total	<u>\$831.31</u>
Balance Carried Forward (Dec. 31, 1964)	<u>\$121.62</u>

1964 Annual Report Respectfully submitted:


C. A. Wales, Secretary


W. W. Linz, Chairman

SEMINOLE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

ANNUAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES

District Seminole Santard Florida
 (Name) (District Office) (State)

Period: January 1, 1964 to December 31, 1964

RECEIPTS (BY SOURCE)	
Balance Brough Forward (Dec. 31, 1963) and to include amounts in savings accounts	\$338.93
Co. Bd. Commissioners (supplies, equipment, aids, clerical help & etc.)	500.00
<i>Receipts from rental of District equipment</i>	114.00
TOTAL	\$952.93 XXXXXXXXXXXX
EXPENDITURES (CLASSIFIED)	
Co. Bd. Commissioners (Total Expenditures for District) <i>Telephone Bills, District office supplies and stamps, Soil Stewardship materials, and expenses for supervisors to attend out of County meetings.</i>	\$500.00
<i>SCD Expenditures - Exhibit materials, speaking contests, and repair + upkeep of District equipment</i>	331.31
TOTAL	XXXXXXXXXXXX
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD (Dec. 31, 1964)	\$121.62

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1964 STATISTICAL INFORMATION

I. GENERAL

1. Is the District Treasurer bonded? yes
2. Was an audit of district receipts and disbursements made for 1964? yes
3. Clerical assistance received -- full-time None, part-time None
4. District enrolled in Goodyear Conservation Awards Program NO

II. SPEAKING CONTEST

1. Number of schools participating 3
2. Number student contestants 7
3. Estimated number of people hearing speeches 75
4. Amount of prizes awarded\$ 1st 2.5
2nd 1.5
3rd .10

III. SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK

1. Number of churches participating 7
2. Number of sermons delivered on soil stewardship unknown
3. Estimated number of people attending services 800
4. Other 1000 inserts church bulletins

IV. BANKER'S AWARD PROGRAM

1. Number selected for award 0
2. Award made at _____ meeting attendance _____
(kind of meeting)

V. TOURS OR SPECIAL CONSERVATION PROGRAMS SPONSORED OR CO-SPONSORED

1. Number held 2 attendance 40-45
2. Purpose TTC

VI. EXHIBITS

1. Number of conservation pictures displayed in banks, stores, etc. 9
2. Number for fair or special programs _____

VII. DISTRICT PROGRAM

- 4 films*
1. Explained to club, school or group (No.) _____ attendance _____
 2. Number of radio programs presented None T.V. None
 3. Number of newspaper releases 6-8
 4. Printed district annual report copies distributed 0

VIII. SCOUTS

1. Number of Scout Troops assisted 2
2. Kind of Assistance Talks & talks on conservation and assistance with conservation merit badges.

IX. OTHER ACTIVITIES (land judging contest, essay, poster and etc.)

1. What _____
2. Results _____