

STAR VALLEY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

2002 including septic, grazing and stormwater runoff, since 2002.

The Salt River was listed as threatened due to elevated fecal coliform. The segment listed is 3.4 miles northwest of Etna and is an undetermined distance up and down stream.

2002-2007 The Star Valley Conservation District completed BURP assessments in October 2002, and fecal coliform sampling was initiated in 2003 and continues to date.

2005 The Salt River watershed plan was completed and approved by DEQ in July 2005. The plan was also included as an amendment to the Lincoln County Comprehensive plan in December 2005.

On the ground implementation

Since 1997, four off stream watering projects, including corral replacement/relocations, riparian restoration, and diversion dikes have been completed. Three waste management projects, including dairy waste lagoons, manure storage bunkers, and dykes were completed. Seventeen grazing projects, including well drilling, cross fencing, trough installation, spring development, stream fencing, riparian fencing, bank restoration, and well improvements were also completed.

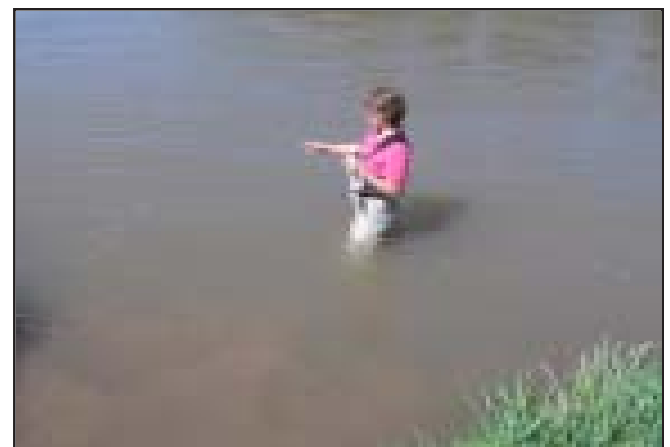
There have been 15 irrigation management projects, including diversion structures, upgrade from flood to sprinkler, upgrade from hand/wheel lines to pivots, and replacement of mainlines. The district has conducted 200 rural subdivision reviews,

Information & Education Outreach

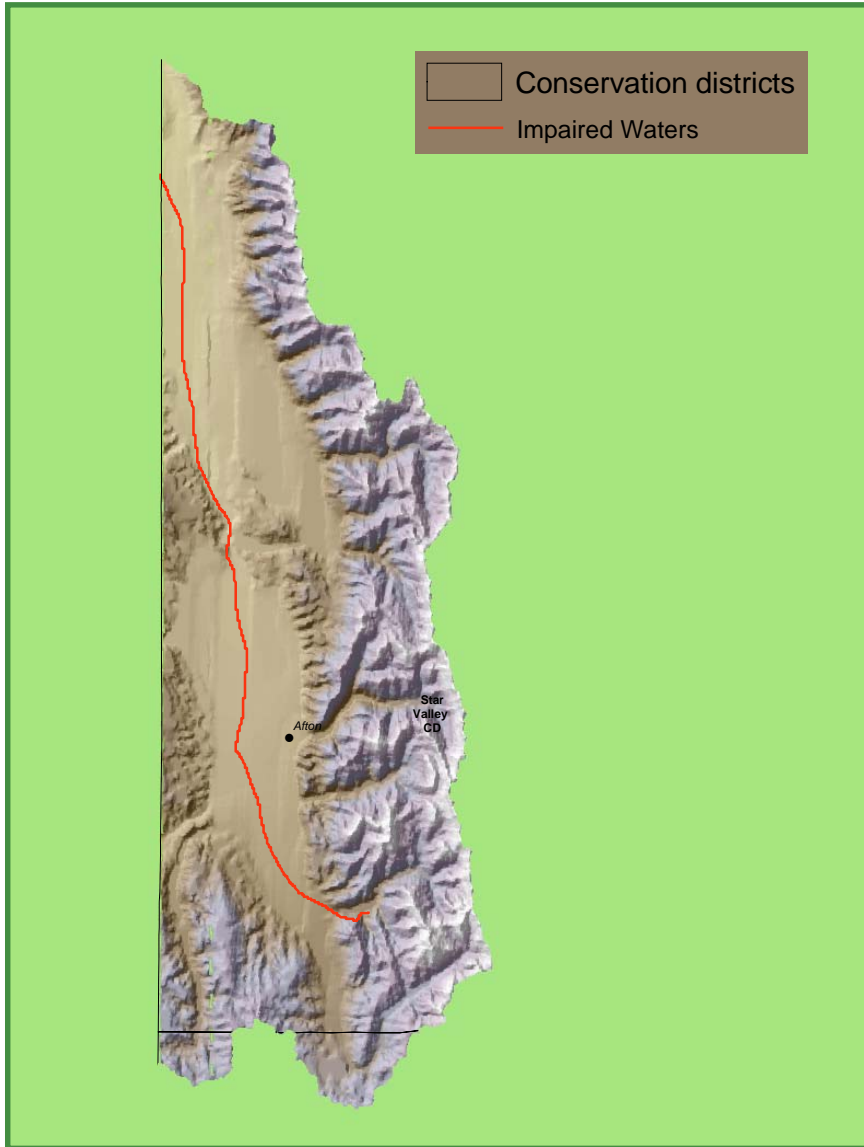
Seminars were held to assist producers with the development of nutrient management plans. In 2007, two storm water seminars educating land development professionals on the impact of subdivisions on the Salt River were held with 10-12 attendees at each seminar.

In March 2005, a tradeshow and workshop included nutrient management, irrigation systems, and USDA cost-share programs. Approximately 50 people attended the workshop sessions. In March 2006, the trade show and workshop were repeated. Classes were offered on native landscaping, small acreage management, tree information, grazing management, weeds and other pests, and animal health. Approximately 50 to 75 attended. The district has interviewed with the local radio stations six times and had four articles in local paper since 2006 regarding the Salt River.

In 2006 and 2007 the district assisted with field trips with the Star Valley High School to collect water samples, with 30 to 35 students participating. In addition, the Alternative High school and Swift Creek Learning Center collected water samples. In 2007, the district had a booth at the Sportsman for Fish and Wildlife annual meeting to educate Salt River users on recreational impacts.



SALT RIVER WATERSHED



Watershed investment

Local	\$ 110,636
State	\$ 67,000
Federal	\$ 794,950
Private	\$ 104,704

Total **\$1,077,290**

Contributors

- Private landowners
- Star Valley CD
- Department of Agriculture
- DEQ/EPA
- Natural Resources Conservation Service

Partners

There are representatives from WY Game & Fish, USDA Forest Service, Town of Afton, Lincoln County Planning Office, Star Valley Conservation District, USDA NRCS Afton Field Office and ten landowners on the Salt River Watershed Plan Steering Committee.