

Western RC&D Success Story: Tooele County Weed Control

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## **Description:**

Recently, the Tooele Weed Board has partnered with the Great Salt Lake RC&D Council and the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food Grazing Improvement Program to effectively treat over 1,600 acres of private land and inventory over 50,000 acres of property in Tooele County in Western Utah. Restoration was also performed on many of these lands with a native seed mix.

The total value of the project was over \$105,000.

There was a leverage of \$7 for each dollar of Federal funds invested in this project. This project was funded by \$15,000 in Federal funds leveraged by \$10,000 of State funds and highly leveraged by in kind contributions by the County and private individuals.

Over 120 land owners participated in this cooperative effort in 2008. This project was responsible for the purchase and construction of 24 ATV sprayers, two 65 gallon sprayers, and a 500 gallon nurse tank. Noxious weed and calibration workshops assured that this borrowed equipment was operated properly.

Over 1,000 school children were educated at the local Farm Field Day event.

Partners included: NRCS, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, Tooele County Weed Department, Tooele School District, and local land owners. All partners have contributed monetary and/or in-kind service support to achieve the objectives of the project.