

**Budget Request  
For  
Fiscal Year 2010 (FY-10)  
(7/1/09 - 6/30/10)**

The Soil Conservation District budget hearing is being held as required by Soil Conservation District Law 22-2727, which states; "a public hearing shall be held by the Idaho Soil Conservation Commission on or before June 15 of each year. Written notice of such hearing shall be given to each Idaho Soil Conservation District and to all other persons requesting notice of such hearing." Notification was sent to Districts on April 28, 2008.

In accordance with District Law the Commission bases its requests for state funds for Districts upon the consideration of District budgets, budget requests, programs, annual work plans and reports given at this hearing. Further, this hearing provides those wishing to testify orally or in written text the opportunity to provide input about the above subjects.

As of May 12, 2008, 51 Soil Conservation District's have submitted partial or complete budget request materials.

County funding to Districts for FY-2010 tentatively totals \$404,197 or an average of \$7,925 per District, which is a total increase of \$35,107 over FY-2008. State general funding (matching state funding) requests for FY-2010 will tentatively total \$808,394 or an average of \$15,851 per District which is an increase of \$70,113 over FY-2008.

Based on Districts receiving 100 percent of County and State general funds anticipated per District in FY-2010, Districts would receive an average of \$28,776 compared to 100 percent average County and State general funds per District in FY-2008 of approximately \$26,714.

In actuality Districts received 59.4 percent or an average \$20,838 in FY-2008 and based on the FY-2010 state allocations and FY-2010 county allocations, Districts would receive 55.8% or an average of \$21,770, an average of \$4,944 less per District than 100% funding.