

Projects for Badlands RC&D

ACTIVE PROJECTS:

1. **Wounded Knee Tiospaye'** – This is the first Tiospaye's in this project. It will consist of the eight Tiospaye's within the Wounded Knee District. Each Tiospaye' will start by that family reclaiming their land, building affordable housing, and developing and maintaining a Tiospaye'-community for profit business. They are currently working on the Tiospaye' and are hoping to have the roof completed in July. The Leola One Feather family hopes to be occupants of their Tiospaye' by fall of 2007.
2. **Grasslands and Invasive Species** – This project is a cooperative effort between Badlands RC&D, Oglala Sioux Tribe Land Office, and SDSU Extension. Grant was awarded in the fall of 2006, and will be completed in July of 2009. Species treated during the spring of 2007 are Hoary Crest, Leafy Spurge, Canadian Thistle, and Salt Cedar. Acres treated are 853 and a total of 1979 acres have been mapped in April and May of 2007. Work will continue to complete the goals outlined in the grant application.
3. **MSFM/Martin Addiction Recovery Center** – M.A.R.C. is a new addiction recovery service to the Bennett and Shannon County area. Badlands RC&D is offering technical assistance in accreditation, program development, and expansion.
4. **Youthworks** – Youthworks is in their sixth year in our area. They are a group of 65-70 persons that arrive on a week to week basis to assist in the beautification, including small repair and painting for the communities. There will be 6 groups that arrive at each of the group sites in the three county areas of Bennett, Shannon, and Jackson counties.
5. **Alternative Energy** – Badlands RC&D is in partnership to offer technical assistance to assist with a national workshop and seminar to take place in South Dakota.
6. **Cheyenne River Watershed** – Badlands RC&D is helping to establish a working group to develop a plan for the Cheyenne River Watershed.
7. **LaCreek District Memorial Park** – Badlands RC&D offered technical assistance in the grant writing for this project. The project is to develop a park with a basketball court at Sunrise Housing 2 miles out of Martin, SD.
8. **Oyate' Trail** – Badlands RC&D is offering technical assistance in revitalizing and developing the Oyate' Trail that runs from Vermillion, SD to Edgemont, SD along US HWY 18.

COMPLETED PROJECTS:

1. **Indians and Pioneers Tourism and Marketing Conference** – Badlands RC&D offered technical assistance to this project that was completed in March of 2007. Held in Gordon, Nebraska, with 40 registrants and an array of guest speakers, the conference was a success. Gerard Baker, Superintendent of Mt. Rushmore National Park was the guest speaker, sharing his knowledge and heritage he attained from his childhood through his adult life.
2. **Holistic Management Workshop** – "More Horsepower for your Family, Business, and Community, was held February 6-7, 2007 in Kadoka, SD. Guest speaker Wayne Berry of Williston State College gave the presentation. The 20 attendees had hands on experiences while "spinning the numbers" on a variety of situations that effect the bottom dollar in their operations.
3. **City of Martin Jail Project** – Technical Assistance was offered to develop a grant application to Rural Development for a feasibility study to re-open the old jail or build a new jail.