

Stewardship Alliance of Northeast Elko

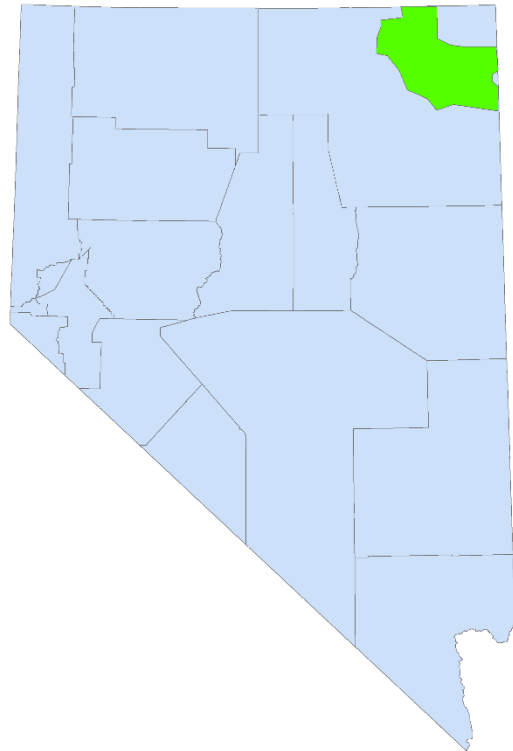
Objectives:

SANE is a solution based multidisciplinary conservation team working together to better sagebrush habitat through coordinated project identification, prioritization and implementation over the approximately 1.7 million acres of private and federal acres within the SANE landscape. Sane is organized as a working group within the Northeast Elko Conservation District who serves as the fiduciary agent for the group. Sane strives to balance best available science with local knowledge, using a collaborative consensus based approach to decision making. Our alliance/team is grounded in accountability and common values while recognizing the interrelationship between good habitat and economic viability. We work to create a sustainable community rich in traditional resource uses.

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Service Area



Significant Achievements

2012

Organized Technical Advisory Committee which developed metrics to prioritize projects based on sage grouse habitat risk assessment.

2014

Developed SANE Sagebrush Ecosystem Conservation Plan:
<http://www.saneconservation.org/documents/SANE%20SECP%20CD%20v.1.pdf>

Implemented Volunteer fire dept.

Developed Website:
<http://www.saneconservation.org/index.html>

2018

Completed 36 of the original 2014 projects. 90 projects planned or ongoing

26 proposed projects in O'Neil project planning area EIS.



2018 Activities



Project Description

Treated **1071.7** acres of invasive weeds including Black henbane, Hoary cress, Russian thistle, Canada thistle, Bull thistle, Russian knapweed, Perennial pepperweed, Field bindweed, Woolly mullen.

200 acres of soil health amendments performed

Sponsored stockmanship and soils workshops in both 2017 and 2018 with **90** people in attendance

Hosted 2 field tours and facilitated 10 meetings/work groups in both 2018 and 2019

55 acres of native meadow protected, **19 miles** of fence modification or removal, **13 miles** of livestock pipelines installed designed to protect GRSG brood rearing habitat.

Multiple grants have been written and awarded

Future Goals

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Leverage Organizational capacity and human/financial resources

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Bridge barriers of geography

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Apply Economy of scale to restoration projects

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Implement long term monitoring

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Complete pre-implementation planning on 26 projects in the O'Neil planning project area

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Revise and update Sagebrush Ecosystem Conservation Plan in preparation for FWS data call



Resource Needs

Needs and goals:

Organizational funding for capacity building and sustainability

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Technical assistance and support

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Funding for coordination of conservation and natural resource management at the local level

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Support and cultivation of consensus building and Community Based Conservation across the state to ensure the implementation of landscape scale conservation while preserving rural economic resilience and cultural diversity.

