

# EDGEWOOD SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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## TORRANCE COUNTY TREASURER SATELITE OFFICE HOURS

The Torrance County Treasurer's Office will hold Satellite Office Hours at the Edgewood SWCD Administration Building on the following dates from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM on:

- November 29, 2023
- April 24, 2024
- June 26, 2024



## SANTA FE COUNTY EXTENSION IN MORIARTY

The Santa Fe County Extension Office is now holding office hours in Moriarty. County Extension Agent; Tom Dominguez and Extension Program Assistant; Nicole Tucker are now located in the Edgewood SWCD Administrative Building located at 2506 Route 66, Moriarty.

The County Extension Office specializes in:

- Agriculture programs
- Horticulture / Periscope Landscaping
- Family and Consumer Sciences
- 4-H Programs



**WATER TRUST  
BOARD  
APPLICATIONS  
FOR  
FOREST  
THINNING  
ARE AVAILABLE  
YEAR-ROUND.**

Application forms can be downloaded from our website, picked up at the District Office mailed, or emailed.

Visit our website at

[www.eswcd.org](http://www.eswcd.org) for more information or to download the application and guidelines.

### **Moriarty office hours:**

Tuesday & Thursday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.  
Call 505-832-1111 to reach them by phone.

### **Tips to conserve energy in the winter months:**

- Lower your thermostat
- Seal up insulation gaps
- Adjust your fans
- Add a humidifier
- Dress in layers
- Stop fireplace heat loss



## **CHRISTMAS TREE PERMIT SALES BEGIN NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> ON THE CIBOLA NATIONAL FOREST**

Christmas tree cutting permits for the Magdalena, Mountainair and Mt. Taylor Ranger Districts will go on sale at district offices on Monday, November 6 through Friday, December 29, 2023.

Permits will also be available for **online purchase** through the [Recreation.gov](https://www.recreation.gov) for trees, which also lists details about designated cutting areas, maps, dates, and size of trees that may be cut. Information can also be found on the [Cibola NF & NG Christmas tree webpage](#). A small processing fee will be applied to the [Recreation.gov](https://www.recreation.gov) online transaction.

Cutting period for permit holders will be from Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> thru Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. Each permit is good for one Christmas tree, two trees per household may be purchased. The cost is \$10.00 for up to a 10-foot tree, \$12.00 for up to a 12 foot tree and \$15.00 for up to a 15 foot tree. The maximum height allowed is 15 feet.

The Cibola National Forest & National Grasslands is pleased to announce that all fourth graders are eligible for a free Christmas tree permit through Every Kid Outdoors initiative. [Every Kid Outdoors](#) is a nationwide call to action to connect kids to nature. All fourth graders are eligible to receive an Every Kid Outdoors pass that allows free access to federal lands and waters across the country for a full year. To be eligible for a free Christmas tree permit, the Every Kid Outdoor pass code must be provided at the time of purchase. The EKO Christmas tree permit can also be obtained through [Recreation.gov](https://www.recreation.gov). For additional information about the initiative and how to obtain a pass, visit [Every Kid Outdoors](#).

### **Locally, Christmas Tree permits may be purchased at:**

#### **Mountainair Ranger District Office**

40 Ranger Station Rd., Mountainair, NM 87036 Phone: 505-847-2990  
Hours: Weekdays 8:30 am to noon and 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm

#### **Cibola National Forest and National Grasslands Supervisor's Office**

2113 Osuna Road. NE; Albuquerque, NM 87113 Phone: 505-346-3900.  
Hours: Weekdays 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Additional information can be found on our website at [www.fs.usda.gov/main/cibola/passes-permits/forestproducts](https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/cibola/passes-permits/forestproducts)

## **\$3 BILLION FOR CLIMATE-SMART PRACTICES ON AG LANDS**

USDA is making more than \$3 billion in funding available for agricultural producers and forest landowners nationwide to participate in voluntary conservation programs and adopt climate-smart practices in fiscal year 2024 as part of President Biden's Investing in America agenda.

NRCS accepts producer applications for its conservation programs year-round, but producers interested in this cycle of Inflation Reduction Act funding should apply as soon as possible.

Interested producers should contact the NRCS Office in Estancia at 505-384-2272 Ext. 3.

Visit the link below for more information.

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/news/biden-harris-administration-makes-available-historic-3-billion-for-climate-smart-practices>

### **SOIL FUN FACT**

One gram of soil (1 quarter of a tablespoon)  
can harbor up to 10 billion organisms!

*That is more than the number of people living on the planet!*

## **NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS**



The New Mexico Association of Conservation Districts (NMACD) held their 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in Albuquerque November 6 – 8, 2023.

The 2024 NMACD Leadership includes: Josh Smith; President, Kandy Hutchins; Vice-President, Lisa Runyan; Secretary-Treasurer, Debbie Hughes; Executive Director and Rebecca Dow; Executive Assistant.

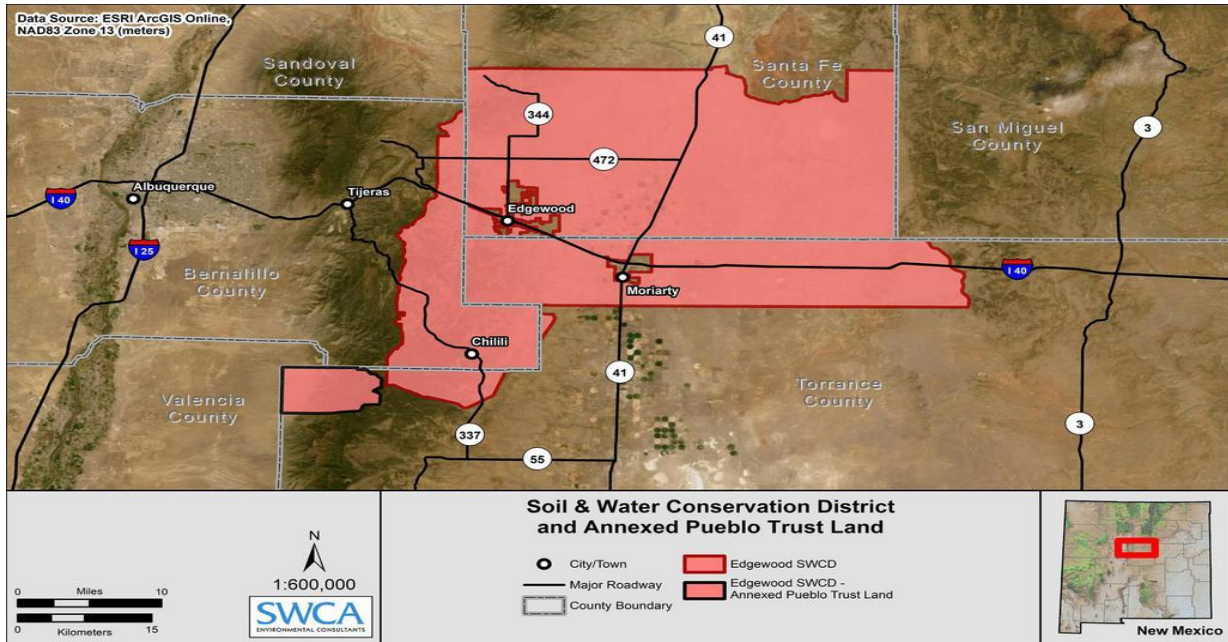
A District Supervisor Certification Training was held during the conference which covered administrative/operations management, conservation programs, partnerships, and legislative changes.

The Edgewood SWCD was represented at this training by Supervisors; Juan Sanchez, Lewis Fisher, and Mark Anaya, along with Associate Supervisor; Danielle Johnston, 2024 new Supervisor; Robert Coburn and District Manager; Brenda Smythe.

For more information on NMACD, visit their website at [www.nmacd.org](http://www.nmacd.org).

***The Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors and Staff  
would like to wish each of you a  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!***

# EDGEWOOD SWCD MAP WITH ANNEXED ISLETA PUEBLO TRUST LAND



## EDGEWOOD SWCD

2506 Route 66  
PO Box 3450  
Moriarty, NM 87035  
505-832-1111  
[www.eswcd.org](http://www.eswcd.org)



## DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS & STAFF

David King ~ Chair  
Lewis Fisher ~ Vice Chair  
Bill King ~ Secretary / Treasurer  
Mark Anaya ~ Member  
Juan Sanchez ~ Member  
Bill Williams ~ Member  
Jim Frost ~ Member  
Danielle Johnston ~ Associate Member  
Brenda Smythe ~ District Manager  
Kelly Smith ~ District Technician  
Karlyn Bates ~ Administrative Assistant

## OUR MISSION

The mission of the Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District is to protect, restore, enhance, and promote the wise use of natural resources. This will be achieved through development of projects, education of public, the cooperation of landowners/users, agencies, and other political subdivisions of the state.