Utah Conservation Districts

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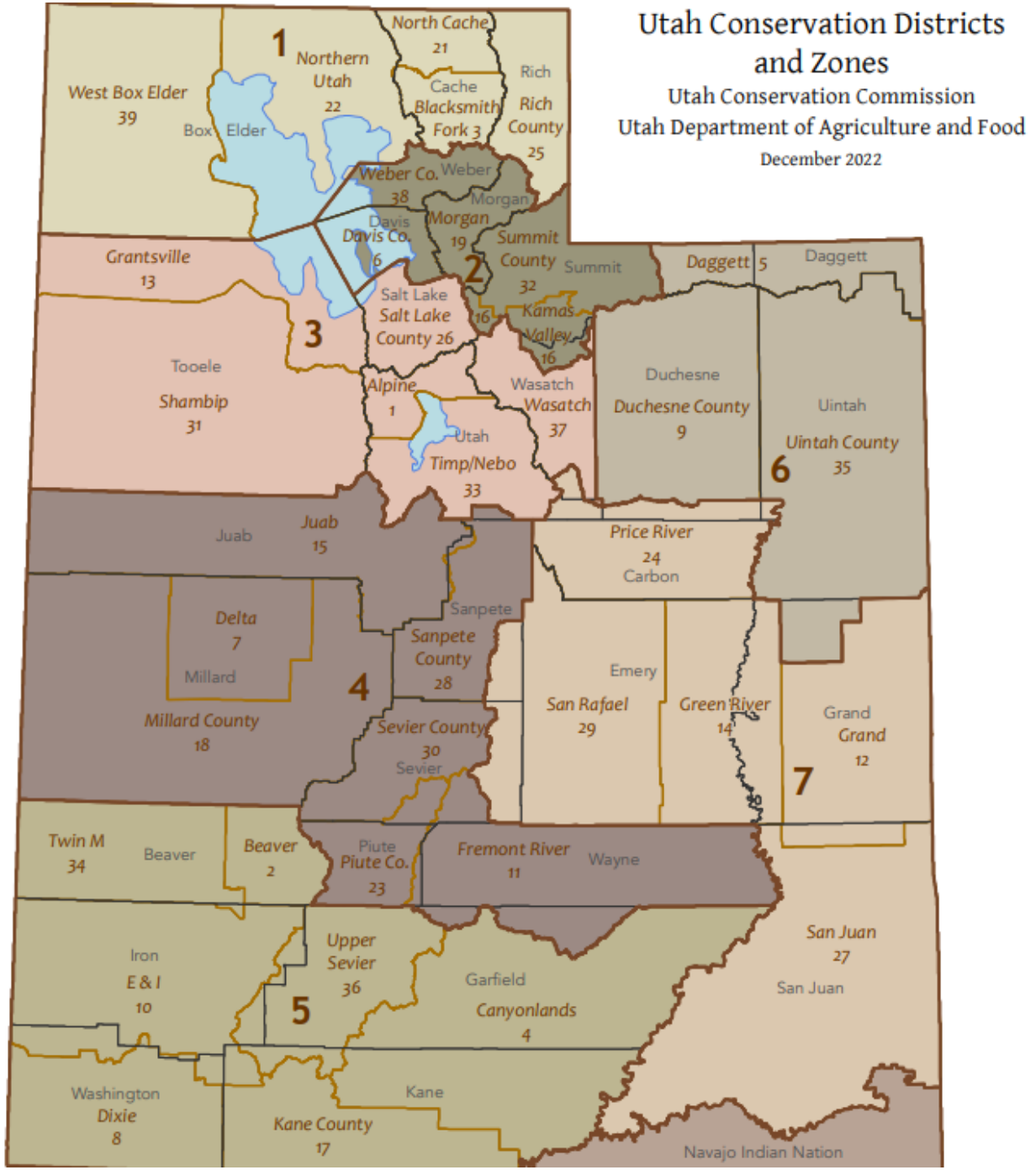
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Current Conservation Districts in Utah

- **38 Districts ($11,000 /year)**
  - **190 Supervisors** (board Member)
  - **35 Clerks**
  - **4 CD Conservation Planners**
- **7 Zones**
- **UDAF Funded employees**
  - **7 Resource Coordinators**
    - **8 Conservation Planners**
    - **4 Watershed Coordinators**
  - **5 program Managers**
    - **6 Program planners**
    - **5 Other Employees**
    - **1 Archologist**



Current Audit of District Meetings and Supervisor attendance over the last 3 years. Seeing a decline in Conservation District attendance and lack of drive and excitement in the districts. Worlds too busy now!!! Need to get the younger generation involved

2023

FY 2023 (July 22 – June23)

- Districts held meetings — Range from 42 % - 100 %
- Overall Avg Supervisors attendance — 74.6 %

- State held 80% District Meetings average of all 38 Districts
- 28 board members Below 50% attendance

2024

FY 2024 (July 23-June 24)

- Districts held meetings — Range from 33 % -100 %
- Overall Avg Supervisors attendance — Range from 75.5%

- State held 78% District Meetings average of all 38 Districts
- 29 board members Below 50% attendance

2025

FY 2025 (July 24 – June 25)

- Districts held meetings — Range from 42 % - 100 %
- Overall Avg Supervisors attendance — 75.2 %

- State held 77 % District Meetings average of all 38 Districts

Super Stars

15 Board Members 100% / 3Yr

68 Board Members >90% / 3yr

1 District 100% Meetings / 3 yr

7 > 90% Meetings held / 3yr

Super District Concept

- Consolidate Current Districts to form Super Districts
  - 38 Conservation Districts down to 7-10 Super Districts or just 1 per County - 29
- Local Control – Keep Local control by having supervisors from current district areas represent in super districts 11-15 board members (Current 190 Board members down to 105-150)
- Consolidate Funds – Currently (11k per year/ district) $418,000 total district operating funds.
- Reallocate Funds – Operation cost and remaining into Project Fund Pool
  - Possible Funds Breakdown (100k in operation cost and $318k in project pool funds)
- Create Project Fund Pool for more meaningful district projects
- Reduce number of meetings (38 districts x 12 months = 456 meetings a year + other zone outreach meetings)
  - 7-10 Super Districts 120 a year, 6 in-person scheduled and 6 virtual (60 In person, 60 Virtual)
- Reduce Staff hours and Traveling cost to meetings (# of meetings (456) down to 60 Meetings
  - Currently some up to 6 hours travel time 2 hour meeting full 8 hour day for 1 meeting.
- Make meetings more meaningful in hopes of better attendance

Thoughts? Questions? Comments?

Will this work and be the future of Conservation Districts?