Natural Resources Conservation Service Written Report To Papio-Missouri River NRD Board May 11, 2023 Andy Bohnenkamp, District Conservationist

My report this month is short and sweet, NRCS staff are super busy with planning and field work. CRP, EQIP and CSP are consuming most of our time over the next few weeks.

Staffing update

I was given approval to advertise for an additional Soil Conservationist in the Walthill Field Office. This position will be a great addition to a busy and soon to be busier Field Office.

Armando Zarco was selected as the new Field Engineer in the Blair FO. Armando is jumping over from the NRD as the current Papio 319 Watershed Coordinator. As much as I hate to steal away a good employee from the NRD, we are really excited to have an extra boost on our engineering staff for NRCS, but this position will also help carry out the NRD's mission of flood control and water quality conservation. So thanks for providing a great hire for us!

Farm Service Agency (FSA) Compliance Reviews

Its that time of year when our NRCS staff head into the crop fields and do compliance checks on random farms in the District. We have 80 compliance reviews to complete this crop year and it's a great opportunity for our staff to discuss opportunities for conservation on farmland with farmers in the NRD.

Respectfully Submitted

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