Farmers’ Co-Operative Ditch Company

2018 Spring Newsletter

Update: From the Farmers’ Co-Operative Ditch Company Board of Directors

Approximately two years ago the Farmers’ Co-Operative Ditch Company Board of Directors applied for and received a 1 million dollar matching grant to improve the water quality, water quantity and soil health for the shareholders of the Farmers’ Co-Operative Ditch Company. This was a joint venture with the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service, Lower Boise Watershed Council and Canyon County Soil Conservation District.

Since then, the groups have completed several key milestones to reach their goal of building a sediment basin. They have collected and reviewed soil sample analysis and data, discussed the best approach for construction of a sediment basin, determined the best location for a sediment basin, completed an engineering design with an internal USDA review and a review by Idaho Department of Water Resources, held a small public meeting with residents downstream of the sediment basin and hired a local contractor to complete the work.

Construction is planned to start in late March and be completed this fall. There will be a media event on **April 6th at 10:00 a.m. located 29792 Parma Road**. This would be a great opportunity for shareholders to attend the media event and learn more about the Board of Directors goals and how this conservation practice will benefit the shareholders and the Lower Boise Watershed.

Directions: Turn right onto Parma Road and the location will be 3.50 miles on the right hand side. Turn onto the first canal bank.