Item 16 Mission Statement

The mission of the BSWCD is to promote the appropriate and efficient use of soil and water resources, protect water quality, prevent floodwater and sediment damage, preserve wildlife, protect public lands, and protect and promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the people of Bradford County.

The vision of the BSWCD is to perform duties listed as Powers of Districts and Supervisors in Florida Statutes 582.20:

To conduct surveys, studies, and research relating to soil and water resources and to publish and disseminate the results of such surveys, studies, research, and related information;

To conduct agricultural best management practices demonstration projects and projects for the conservation, protection, and restoration of soil and water resources;

To cooperate, or enter into agreements with, any special district, municipality, county, water management district, state or federal agency, governmental or otherwise, or owner or occupier of lands within the district’s boundaries;

To provide, or assist in providing, training and education programs that further the purposes and provisions of this chapter

The purpose statement is provided for us in the statutes:

The purpose of the soil and water conservation districts is to provide assistance, guidance, and education to landowners, land occupiers, the agricultural industry, and the general public in implementing land and water resource protection practices.