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In Phillips County

Weed Prevention Area - 99% of Phillips County is virtually free of noxious weeds. This program is designed to give landowners and managers a set of best management practices aimed at preventing noxious weed invasion. A series of signs have been posted in strategic areas to inform recreationists and others that they have entered a Weed Prevention Area. A grant from the Center for Invasive Plant Management has made this effort possible.

St. Mary Rehabilitation Working Group - The St. Mary River Irrigation System is responsible for supplying much of the water used by irrigators and communities along the Milk River. The 85 year old system is in danger of catastrophic failure. Because of his expertise with group issues, the Phillips County Agent has been working with the 15 member group responsible for overseeing the rehabilitation project. The group includes representation from government, tribal, and private landowner entities.

4-H Angel Program- The nine member Phillips County 4-H Teen Club teams up with the local radio station each year to coordinate the Angel Program which provides Christmas presents for about 60 underprivileged children in the county. The Phillips County Extension Staff provides leadership to the program.

Montana Advanced Youth Market Beef Show - In response to a need to expose 4-H and FFA youth to a realistic cattle feeding situation that reflects today's beef industry, the Phillips County Extension Agent was a driving force in developing this program. Youth select cattle in December which are then delivered to a processing facility in early June and are sold on a grade and yield basis - much like the bulk of the fed cattle today.

Phillips County 4-H Program - 142 Phillips County youth and 58 adult leaders are enrolled in the 4-H program. The Extension Office works closely with the leaders and members to plan, conduct, and evaluate the 4-H program. Livestock judging, 4-H Camp, and Fashion Revue are but a few of the programs that benefit 4-H members in Phillips County.

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