

Powers and Duties of Districts Summary - CRS Article 35-70-108.

A conservation district, through enabling statutes (CRS 35-70-108), has the following powers and duties in addition to others granted in the article:

- To conduct surveys, investigations, and research
- To conduct demonstrational projects within the district
- To erect structures and maintain any facilities to arrest or prevent the erosion of soils or lands
- To cooperate or enter into agreements with and, within the limit of its available funds, to furnish financial or other aid to any agency, owner or occupant of lands within the district
- To obtain options upon and to acquire or acquire control of, any property, real or personal
- To make available to landowners and occupants within the district, agricultural and engineering machinery, equipment and supplies
- To accept grants, services, and materials and to borrow money
- To take over, by purchase, lease, or otherwise, and to administer any soil conservation or erosion control project
- To sue and be sued in the name of the district; to have a seal which shall be judicially noticed
- To prepare a plan for the care, treatment, and operation of the lands within the district.
- To cause annual audits to be made in accordance with the "Colorado Local Government Audit Law";
- To make contributions of information, data, statistics, funds, or other contributions valuable in the furtherance of land conservation
- To sponsor, plan, construct, maintain, and operate flood prevention and watershed improvement projects
- To participate in the formulation and implementation of nonpoint source water pollution control programs

These powers and duties may be exercised by the supervisors subject to rules, regulations, and the district's bylaws.