

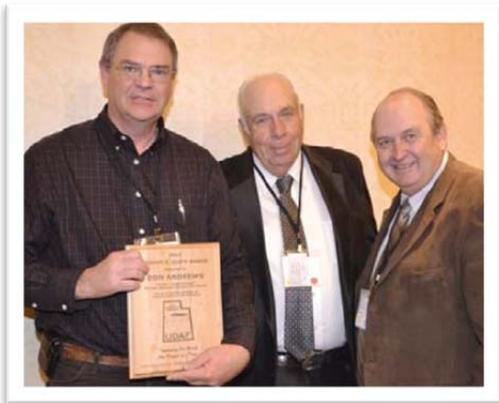
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DON ANDREWS RECOGNIZED AT UACD ANNUAL MEETING

NRCS District Conservationist Don Andrews, Monticello, received the Graham Quate Award at the annual meeting of the Utah Association of Conservation Districts (UACD) last week in Provo. The annual award recognizes exceptional service to the conservation community in Utah. For more than 26 years Don is a strong supporter and partner with the Grand and San Juan Conservation Districts where he always goes out of his way to serve the needs of the district leaders and the cooperators they serve.



Utah Ag Commissioner Leonard Blackham presented the award on behalf of the State Soil Conservation Commission. In the accompanying photo Blackham (right) and UACD President Wendell Stembridge (center) congratulate Andrews. In his remarks, Blackham noted that the 33-year NRCS veteran “has been aggressive in encouraging the use of terraces to improve the use of agriculture land in the area and has assisted landowners in improvement of dry land crop production. Because of his educational efforts and the assistance he continues to provide, the movement to organic farming has been successful and continues to grow in San

Juan County.” He also made note of Don’s outstanding assistance to producers in the four-corners area of the Navajo Nation.

NRCS State Conservationist Dave Brown, and several other NRCS district staffers, were on hand to help promote cooperative conservation work with the association leaders. In his remarks to the main body, Brown encouraged everyone in the conservation partnership to think of conservation work as “our” conservation work, working together. He congratulated everyone for their good work, but challenged us all to become “better” than good. For more information about UACD, visit their Website at <http://www.uacd.org/>.

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