

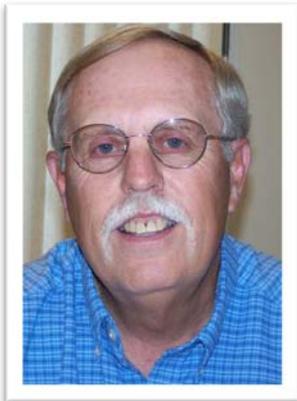
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**DON ASHBY SELECTED AS NEW AREA I CONSERVATIONIST**

State Conservationist Dave Brown has announced the appointment of Don Ashby, Jr., as the new Assistant State Conservationist for Area I Field Operations, effective July 29. He will be headquartered in the Ogden area office and have supervisory responsibility for all NRCS employees in Area I.



Ashby (see accompanying photo) is currently a district conservationist in Alamogordo, New Mexico. He received a range management degree in 1983 from New Mexico State University and has spent his entire professional career in New Mexico. He began with the Forest Service as a seasonal range tech and firefighter. Following graduation he started work as a range management specialist with the BLM and worked his way up as a supervisory range con and as oil and gas resource management team leader.

For six years he left federal service as an administrator of a non-profit Christian organization working with teenage boys and managing a 450 head cow/calf operation in Melrose, NM.

In 2001 he started his career with NRCS as a range management specialist in Fort Sumner, NM, and then as an area range management specialist in Carrizozo, prior to his appointment as a DC in 2009.

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