

***De-Go-La Resource  
Conservation & Development  
2009 Annual Report***



**2009 Haylift Project**



Hay brought in by De-Go-La delivered to Jackson County.



De-Go-La brought in good quality hay at a reasonable price for area ranchers including David Frazier in Victoria County.



### **HAY LIFT HELPS DROUGHT-STRICKEN RANCHERS AND FARMERS**

**The drought that gripped Texas for most of 2009 hit ranchers extremely hard, depleting forage in the fields and sending hay prices through the roof. In an effort to help farmers and ranchers be able to keep and feed their cattle this fall and winter, De-Go-La Resource Conservation and Development has helped deliver more than 3100 tons of hay to producers in nine counties in the Gulf Coast and South Texas area.**

**We estimate that we have saved these producers more than \$200,000 in hay costs, based on a current market price of \$80 per round bale, We are finishing this project fulfilling the 173 orders for 6,238 round bales.**

**De-Go-La RC&D serves 16 counties including Aransas, Bee, Calhoun, DeWitt, Fayette, Goliad, Gonzales, Jackson, Karnes, Lavaca, Live Oak, McMullen, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, and Victoria. The goal of Project Cooperative Haylift is to purchase large amounts of hay and have it trucked in at an affordable price so the producer's average cost is \$49 per bale, which is an average of what the hay would cost during a normal rainfall year.**

**The hay brought in has ranged from Bermuda mix, Native Mix, Coastal Mix or Bahia Mix and are around 1,000 pound bales. Buyers had to commit to buying one full truck load of 30 to 38 bales.**

**Normally, the 16 counties that De-Go-La RC&D serves receive anywhere from 24 to 45 inches of rain a year that has produced an average of \$52 million a year in hay production, but the dry conditions from 2008 to 2009 has seen that value in hay production drop to nearly \$ 16 million.**

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**De-Go-La wishes to thank the following sponsors for their participation during the year 2009:**

Bee County Commissioners Court  
Bee SWCD  
Calhoun County Commissioners Court  
Calhoun SWCD  
City of Edna  
City of Goliad  
City of Hallettsville  
City of Port Lavaca  
Copano Bay SWCD  
DeWitt County Commissioners Court  
DeWitt SWCD  
Fayette County Commissioners Court  
Fayette SWCD  
Goliad Economic Development  
Goliad County Commissioners Court  
Goliad SWCD  
Gonzales County Commissioners Court  
Gonzales SWCD  
Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative  
Guadalupe Blanco River Authority  
Jackson County Commissioners Court  
Jackson County Drainage District  
Jackson SWCD  
Karnes County Commissioners Court  
Karnes SWCD  
Lavaca County Commissioners Court  
Lavaca SWCD  
Lavaca-Navidad River Authority  
Live Oak Commissioners Court  
Live Oak SWCD  
McMullen County Commissioners Court  
McMullen SWCD  
Nueces SWCD  
Port O'Connor Chamber Of Commerce  
Refugio County Commissioners Court  
Refugio County Community  
San Antonio River Authority  
San Patricio County Commissioners Court  
San Patricio SWCD  
Town Of Refugio  
Town Of Woodsborro  
Victoria County Commissioners Court

**2009 De-Go-La RC&D Officers and Directors:**

President, Gary Burns  
Vice-President, Larry Deyton  
Secretary/Treasurer, Neil Fritsch  
Frank Montez, Bee County  
Neil Fritsch, Calhoun County  
John Oliver, DeWitt County  
Albert Nunn, Fayette County  
Bud Wuest, Gonzales County  
Larry Deyton, Jackson County  
Carl Hummel, Karnes County  
Dennis Kocian, Lavaca County  
Richard Lee, Live Oak County  
Linda Henry, McMullen County  
Harvey Buehring, Nueces County  
Lenny Anzaldua, Refugio County  
Fred Nardini, San Patricio County  
Gary Burns, Victoria County  
Rhonda Stastny, At Large  
Karen Opiela, At Large

**Officers elected for the 2010 fiscal year:**



President, Gary Burns



Vice-President, Larry Deyton



Secretary/Treasurer, Neil Fritsch

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**2009 Projects completed and on going: Project Status:**

Arledge Prairie Restoration	Completed
Austwell VFD Bunker Gear	Active
Beeville VFD Training Equipment	Completed
Boyd Prairie Restoration	Completed
Bruns Prairie Restoration	Completed
Calhoun SWCD Ag in the Classroom 2009	Completed
Copano Bay SWCD Earth Science Field Day 2009	Completed
Cuero VFD	Active
Cyndie Park II WSC	Active
Elder Prairie Restoration	Completed
Ellinger VFD Equipment	Completed
Falls City VFD Wildland Equipment	Active
Farm and Ranch Management Electronic Resources	Active
Goliad VFD Equipment	Active
Hallettsville VFD Supplies	Completed
Helping Hands and Hearts of Yoakum Community Gardens	Completed
Jackson County 4-H Educational Gardens	Active
Lavaca County EWP	Active
Moulton VFD Safety Equipment	Active
Muldoon VFD Education Center	Active
Olivia-Port Alto Community Center	Active
Pettus-Tuleta VFD Emergency Lighting	Completed
Plant Identification Book	Active
Ponton Prairie Restoration	Completed
Project Cooperative Haylift	Active
Refugio VFD Fire School	Active
Refugio-Goliad Prairie Conservation Plan	Active
Revolving Loan Fund	Active
Rother Prairie Restoration	Completed
Sacred Heart Catholic School Water Quality Study	Completed
San Patricio SWCD Ag in the Classroom 2007	Active
Small Business Workshops	Active
Victoria SEP DEG016	Active
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Yoakum VFD Pumper Truck	Active

Financial Report Year Ending September 30, 2009

Revenue		
Dues	\$	4,985.00
Salary & Operating Grants		14,500.00
Prepaid Legal Commission		1,108.72
EnSave Project		2,500.00
Silent Auction		246.00
Grant Workshop		1,084.25
Revolving Loans		59,940.00
State/National Meeting Reimbursement		305.95
Farm/Ranch Workshop		768.73
Misc. (Re-enter check)		<u>242.90</u>
Total	\$	85,749.21

## Expenditures

Dues	\$	825.00
Consumable Supplies		134.24
Postage		89.77
Director Travel & Meeting		1,914.50
Clerical Services		1,622.30
Salary		6,428.38
Payroll Taxes		1,631.46
Internet Service & Website		1,462.76
Matching Grant Awards		2,250.00
Professional Fees		345.00
Projects		1,965.33
Revolving Loans		33,007.14
Misc. (Sec of State)		<u>5.00</u>

Total Expenditures	\$	<u>78,613.74</u>
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Gain/loss	\$	<u>7,135.47</u>
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Fund Bal. October 1, 2008	\$	26,766.40
Fund Bal. September 30, 2009	\$	33,901.87

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Assets	
Cash in bank	\$ 33,901.87
SEP Accounts	15,020.59
Revolving Loan Account	65,463.82
Haylift Project Account	<u>63,959.00</u>
 Subtotal Current Assets	 \$ 178,345.28
 Office furniture/equipment	 3,634.60
Rental equipment	0.00
Accounts receivable	0.00
Subtotal fixed assets	<u>\$ 3,634.60</u>
 Total Assets	 \$ 181,979.88
 Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 0.00
Notes payable	<u>0.00</u>
Total liabilities	\$ 0.00
 Fund equity:	 \$ 0.00
Investment in fixed assets	\$ 0.00
Unreserved fund balance	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total Fund Equity	\$ 0.00
 Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	 \$ 0.00



SEP Victoria County 016

Revenues	
Interest	\$ 19.29
Total Revenue	\$ 19.29
Expenditures	
Keep Victoria Beautiful	\$ 1,585.50
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,585.50
Gain (Loss)	\$ (1,566.21)
Fund balance October 1, 2008	\$ 6,635.81
Fund balance September 30, 2009	\$ 5,069.60

SEP Victoria County 017

Revenues	
Texas Assoc of RC&D Councils	\$ 4,800.00
Interest	7.25
Total Revenue	\$ 4,807.25
Expenditures	
Total Expenditures	\$ 0.00
Gain/Loss	\$ 4,807.25
Fund balance October 1, 2008	\$ 0.00
Fund balance September 30, 2009	\$ 4,807.25

**SEP Victoria County 018**

Revenues	
Texas Assoc of RC&D Councils	\$ 5,140.00
Interest	\$ <u>3.74</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 5,143.74
Expenditures	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Total Expenditures	\$ 0.00
Gain (Loss)	\$ 5,143.74
Fund balance October 1, 2008	\$ 0.00
Fund balance September 30, 2009	\$ 5,143.74

**Total Worth of SEP Projects**

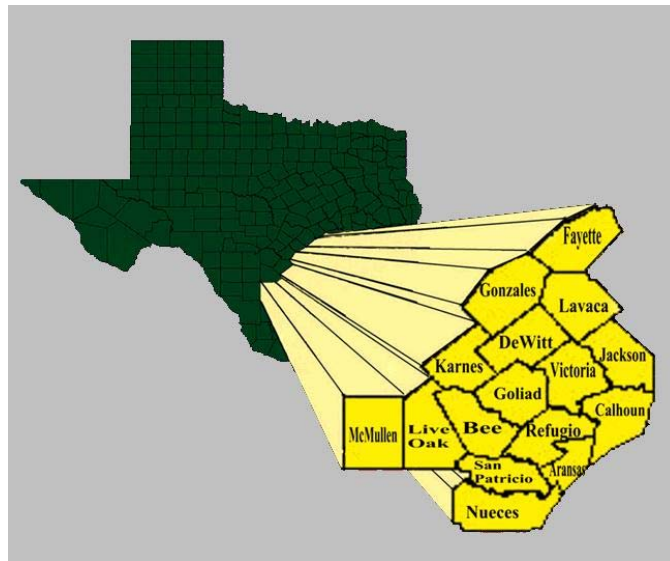
SEP Victoria County 016	\$ 5,069.60
SEP Victoria County 017	4,807.25
SEP Victoria County 018	<u>5,143.74</u>
Total	\$ 15,020.59

**Revolving Loan Account**

Balance as of September 30, 2008	\$ 1,063.62
Revenue	\$
De-Go-La RC&D	59,940.00
Loans	\$ <u>4,460.20</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 64,400.20
Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
Balance as of October 1, 2009	\$ 65,463.82

**Haylift Program**

Balance as of September 1, 2009	\$	0.00
Income		
9/22/09 Hay		<u>87,661.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$	87,661.00
Expenditures		<u>23,702.00</u>
Balance as of September 30, 2009	\$	63,959.00



**The Mission of De-Go-La RC&D**

The mission of De-Go-La RC&D is to provide coordination and leadership to provide quality of life and quality of environment for residents of rural communities.

**The Vision of De-Go-La Resource  
Conservation & Development**

**To make the Coastal Bend of Texas a better place  
to live and work through effective partnerships**



**De-Go-La Resource  
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on a nondiscrimination basis without regard to race,  
color, national origin, gender, religion, age, disability,  
sexual orientation, marital or family status, political  
beliefs, parental status or protected genetic information.”**