# 2017 ARIZONA CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

The Willcox-San Simon Natural Resource Conservation District (NRCD) is excited to introduce a new funding opportunity for Southeastern Arizona Cooperators.

The Arizona Association of Conservation Districts and 17 Conservation Districts entered into an agreement with Bureau of Land Management to help implement the BLM Arizona Landscape Enhancement Collaborative. The partnership agreed to try to focus funding on a specific area each year, and RANGELANDS in the southeast corner of Arizona will be a focus area for 2017. Projects will target invasive woody species and noxious weeds, but other conservation concerns will be considered.

In 2016, the focus area was in the Apache and Navajo County NRCD's in northern Arizona. BLM Landscape Enhancement Collaborative funds, NRCS EQIP funds, and private funds were used to complete field inventories, contract cultural resource clearances, and implement juniper control on a large scale.

Follow the steps at right to apply!

### **QUESTIONS?**

Call your local Willcox-San Simon NRCD Board Members with questions: **Tina Thompson – (520) 824-3625** Larry Parker – (520) 508-3505 Matt Klump – (520) 507-5118

#### **STEP ONE:**

Request a 2017 Arizona Conservation Partnership Application Packet from your local NRCD Office by emailing <u>patinat9@vtc.net</u> or stopping by the office at:

656 N. Bisbee Avenue in the Willcox Safeway Plaza.

## **STEP TWO:**

Contact the local NRCS office to discuss your Conservation Plan status or Apply for the 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle of FY 2017 EQIP funds. Call 520-384-2229.

## **STEP THREE:**

Submit your 2017 Application(s) by **February 3, 2017** to the Willcox-San Simon NRCD Office.