



The Starr Valley Conservation District and Northeastern Nevada Stewardship Group partnered on the Sagebrush Habitat Management Demonstration Project which was implemented in 2002. This project demonstrates the application of various vegetation treatments which can be used to rejuvenate sagebrush-bunchgrass rangelands from a shrub dominated state, while establishing a new age class of sagebrush and increasing herbaceous composition within the plant community. The treatments included aeration, disking, herbicide application and prescribed burning. Each of the treatments was intended to reduce the dense shrub canopy to create desired habitat for sage-grouse and other wildlife species.



Each treatment has been evaluated on a yearly basis by Conservation Specialist Gerry Miller since its inception and there has been a report written in 2006 and 2011 and a summary written in 2016. Not all treatments and results are provided here but are available upon request.

## NRCS Program – High Tunnel (hoophouse)



Lotspeich Family Farms, family owned and operated, provides fresh vegetables to the Elko and Wells Farmers Market, as well as supporting the community Farmers Market trend.



Elko County provides \$5,000 to Starr Valley CD yearly for the purpose of weed abatement along County Roads. The CD then contracts with a certified applicator to treat and map each area.