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Weekly News Briefs from NACD

NACD'S 2017 ANNUAL MEETING HAS A NEW SPONSOR, NEW AUCTION ITEMS



The Prince George's Soil Conservation District in Maryland is supporting NACD in a huge way at our [2017 Annual Meeting](#) in Denver by providing the catalogs for our

Live Auction event and sponsoring an evening reception. Thank you for your fantastic support, PGSCD!

Another big thanks is due to John Deere for donating a Gator Utility Vehicle for the Live Auction – we know of a few bidders in the market for one! Speaking of auction items, if you'd like a sneak peek of some of the items that will be available for purchase in January, head over to our [Live Auction webpage](#) for pictures and descriptions – and remember – it's not too late to donate an item!

The sooner you make your donation, the more time NACD has to promote it, and the better chance your donation will receive higher bids. Head to the [Live Auction webpage](#) for the Auction Donation Form and contact [NACD South Central Region Representative Tamara Daniel](#) with any questions.

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Save the Date: NACD Spring Fly-In

NACD has set the date for our annual [Spring Fly-In](#) for March 21, 2017 – will we see you there? Feel free to mark your calendars and purchase your flight to arrive by the 20th for a full day of advocacy on the 21st. With a new administration and freshman lawmakers on the House and Senate Agriculture Committees, NACD has a fantastic opportunity in March to bring the voice of conservation to Capitol Hill.

Has your community been challenged by wildfire? CDs can help.

Wildfires are no longer just the bane of the American West. Right now in Tennessee, wildfires are wreaking havoc throughout the state. In solidarity and friendship, western conservation districts are stepping up to counsel or otherwise assist eastern districts as they determine how they may

NACD ATTENDS VIRGINIA, WASHINGTON STATE ASSOCIATIONS' ANNUAL MEETINGS

NACD Western Issues Specialist Jeff Burwell traveled to Blaine, Washington, to join 200 other conservation leader attendees at the Washington Association of Conservation Districts' annual meeting last week.

The meeting featured the Snohomish Sustainable Lands Strategy Partnership and its work to bring ag, tribal, and environmental groups together to tackle tough issues; a presentation from the Washington State Soil Health Committee on the successes of soil health projects conducted in forested watersheds, pastures, vineyards, and on small farms and dry cropland; plus a session that showcased a steelhead and salmon habitat restoration project on the Cowlitz River and a post-wildfire recovery project led by Okanogan CD and the Colville Confederated Tribe. The meeting culminated with a luncheon where state legislators discussed the relevance of conservation districts and the funding challenges Washington districts face.

Last week in Roanoke, Virginia, Kevin Jeffries, the state's NACD board member, delivered a presentation on the value of being an NACD member and the organization's plans for the future. Over 450 people attended the Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts' annual meeting – now that's a great turnout!

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: NFWF'S FIVE STAR AND URBAN WATERS RESTORATION GRANT PROGRAM

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's [Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program](#) supports locally-led stewardship of water resources in priority watersheds, coastal wetlands, and riparian ecosystems nationwide through matching grants. To date, over 800 projects in 50 states have received a total of \$18

contribute to, or even lead, wildfire recovery efforts in their own communities and states. Craig Nelson, district manager for Washington's Okanogan Conservation District, is willing to share his knowledge and expertise. He can be contacted at (509) 422-0855 ex. 111 or by email at craig@okanogancd.org.

Director of Development Melisa Augusto heads to Las Vegas!

Are you attending the [Irrigation Show 2016](#)? Swing by booth #1417 and see NCF Board of Trustees member Gene Schmidt and NACD Director of Development Melisa Augusto this week! Gene and Melisa will be visiting with show attendees about the work of NACD and its members, as well as the Envirothon and other opportunities with the National Conservation Foundation.

Leader of US Grains Council demos conservation practices

Chip Cuncell, a 10th generation farmer from Talbot County, Maryland, and chairman of the [U.S. Grains Council](#), hosted representatives from the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture at his farm last week to demonstrate the value of soil health practices, crop rotation, nutrient management, voluntary conservation programs, and precision agriculture.

Cuncell, who was named the 2010 cooperator of the year by the Talbot Soil Conservation District, says his success "takes every piece of the puzzle - the conservation plans, the

million in funding (and leveraged another \$67 million in private funds) through this program.

Project proposals are due January 31, 2017, and must engage diverse partnerships and include an educational/outreach component. For more information, including a list of [funding priorities](#) for this program, qualified applicants, [previously funded projects](#), and a [fact sheet](#), visit the [NFWF website](#).



CHAMPION OF THE MONTH



Seven years ago, Chip Baker began using cover crops on his operation – H&V Farms – near Millsboro, Delaware. At first, he

interseeded radish cover into knee high corn using his conservation district's aerial seeder. Within a few years, Chip expanded his use of cover crops and embraced using multi-species cover crop mixes.

Chip would certainly qualify for the title "Soil Health Champion" for the practices he has implemented on his farm, but his dedication to teaching others deserves special recognition, too.

Every week, Chip chats with five to ten other farmers about cover crops and takes numerous phone calls regarding soil health practices. Recently, with help from the Sussex Conservation District, Chip hosted a field day on his farm where he gave an estimated 150 attendees (pictured) his take on a variety of different cover crop mixes he has used on his own operation. At the same event, SCD demonstrated how to interseed cover crop mixes with an aerial seeder, and the [Delmarva Farmer](#) – a regional paper – interviewed Chip and published a story on the field day's success.

equipment, the biotechnology all put together in the best way to fit the operation."

Call to state associations:

Do you have an inductee for the NACD Hall of Distinction?

Every state and territory has current or past district officials who have advanced conservation at the national level. Honor your area's conservation heroes by inducting them into NACD's Hall of Distinction! [Head over to our website](#) for more information.

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NACD Events Calendar

For additional details regarding meetings listed below, [click here](#).

- USDA-NRCS Symposium on Innovative Partnerships for Working Lands Conservation - December 15, 2016
- NACD Annual Meeting - January 28 - February 1, 2017
- North Central Regional Meeting - January 9 - 10, 2017
- NACD Fly-In - March 21, 2017



- Stewardship and Education Week - April 30 - May 7, 2017
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To read [Chip Baker's SHC profile](#) – and the profiles of our other soil health champs – visit the NACD [Soil Health Champions webpage](#). If you or someone you know is a leader in soil health and would like to become a member of this growing, progressive network please contact NACD North Central Region Representative Beth Mason at beth-mason@nacdnec.org or 317-946-4463 for more information.

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Annual Membership
Meeting**

**March 28, 2017
Hilton Sacramento
Arden West**

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2015-16 Annual Report

We recently completed our 2015-16 Annual Report which will be mailed to all members this week and is now available on our website at www.sdrma.org towards the bottom of the homepage under News.

The report highlights the strength of our programs, the diversity of our membership and the financial security of our pool as well as other important information including specific program highlights noted in the Board President's Message on page 2.

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- * Special District Leadership Foundation

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Subject December Management and Monitoring Meeting

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Hi everyone,
 We'll meet for the monthly Western Riverside County MSHCP Management/Monitoring Coordination Meeting next Thursday, December 8, from 10 AM - 12 PM.

Please note that this month we'll be meeting at the Ya'i Heki' Regional Indian Museum at Lake Perris. Attached are maps showing how to get there from both entrances of the park, as well as the agenda.

I'm pleased to announce that Jen Hoffman from our Program will be speaking on MSHCP Monitoring of San Bernardino Kangaroo Rat. We'll have the usual updates regarding ongoing MSHCP monitoring and management activities and everyone is invited to have lunch together after the meeting.

Hope to see you next week!

Karen

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Western Riverside County MSHCP
Management - Monitoring Coordination Meeting
10:00am December 8, 2016
Ya'i Heki' Regional Indian Museum at Lake Perris

AGENDA

- I. Introductions / Announcements
- II. RCA Update, if applicable
- III. Monitoring Program Activities Update
 - Aguanga Kangaroo Rat (habitat)
 - Camera stations
 - Preparation for upcoming surveys
- IV. Management Program Activities Update
- V. Any other management activity updates from the group?
- VI. Jen Hoffman (BMP) – MSHCP Monitoring of San Bernardino Kangaroo Rat.
- VII. Next Meeting at RCRCDD – January 12: Karyn Drennen (BMP) – MSHCP Monitoring of Englemann Oak Recruitment.
- VIII. Adjourn, and lunch!

**Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource
Conservation District
Meeting**

Thursday, December 8, 2016 4:00PM
Truax Building
41923 Second Street, Fourth Floor
Temecula, CA 92590

Public Notice

**THE DECEMBER 8, 2016
REGULAR MEETING HAS BEEN
CANCELED**



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- Unique professional development opportunities for board members and staff to promote strong governance, operational excellence, and optimal financial performance of your district
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Enclosed is an invoice for your agency's 2017 membership dues. Please renew your membership today. Your continued support is essential to growing the resources and programs to better serve you. If you have any questions about CSDA or your membership benefits, please contact me at 877.924.2732 or cathrine@csda.net.

Best regards,

Cathrine Lemaire
Member Services Director

Special Renewal Bonus!

Renew your CSDA membership before January 3, 2017 and receive access to online AB 1234 Ethics Compliance Training through March 15, 2017. This access gives you and everyone else at your special district required Ethics Training for FREE – just for renewing!

Please note: Access to Property/Liability and Workers' Compensation programs through SDRMA is a CSDA member benefit. Participants in those programs must maintain current membership in CSDA.



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December 8, 2016

Temecula-Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District
Ms. Rose Corona
President
Post Office Box 2078
Temecula, California 92593

Dear Ms. Corona,

This year we were pleased to celebrate a major milestone - our 30th anniversary! We greatly appreciate your support of SDRMA, our programs and your outstanding commitment to loss prevention and safety.

SDRMA also is pleased to provide a copy of the newly released 2015-16 Annual Report. The report highlights the strength of our programs, the diversity of our membership and the financial security of our pool as well as other important information including specific program highlights noted in the Board President's Message on page 2.

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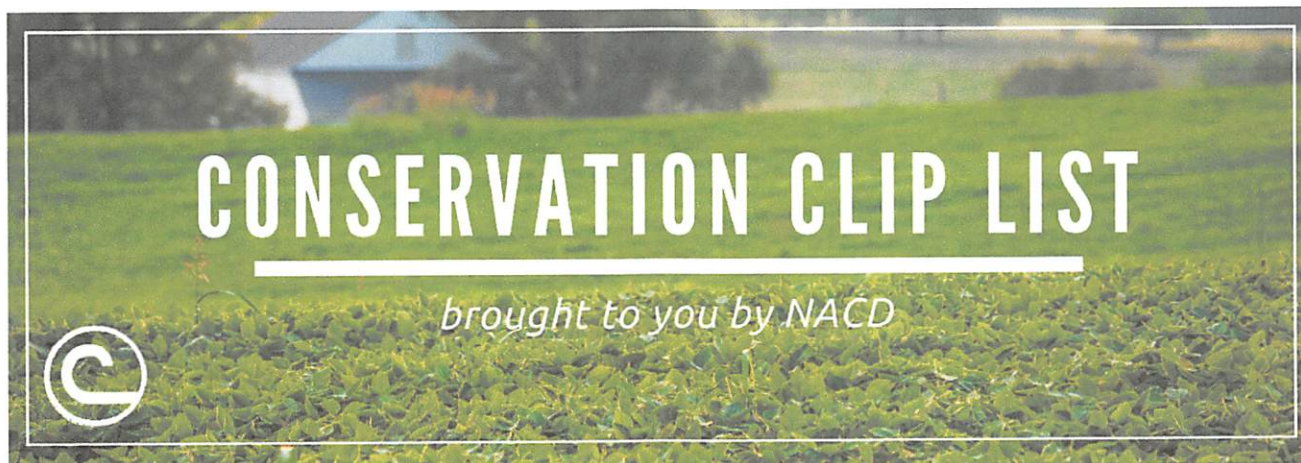
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Special District Risk Management Authority

David Aranda, President
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Conservation Clip List is a weekly collection of articles distributed by NACD that provides our members and partners with the latest news in what's driving conservation. If you have a relevant submission, please contact your NACD Communications Team.

USDA announces new conservation opportunities via Agri-Pulse

USDA is offering farmers and ranchers new opportunities to participate in the Conservation Reserve Program, including new techniques to protect water quality and adding 1.1 million acres to a number of key CRP practices. Secretary Vilsack unveiled a new conservation initiative known as Clean Lakes, Estuaries, and Rivers (CLEAR), which will add new tools to CRP that can help to improve water quality. USDA said CLEAR will help landowners with the cost of building bioreactors and saturated buffers that filter nitrates and other nutrients from tile-drained cropland.

Trump Taps Pruitt to Head EPA via DTN Progressive Farmer

Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt is President-elect Donald Trump's selection to head the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Pruitt led a number of states in filing one of many lawsuits against EPA challenging the WOTUS rule as an unconstitutional power grab. A federal court put the rule on hold nationally pending a number of legal challenges. It is widely believed the Trump administration would eliminate the rule.

Thousands of snow geese die in Montana after landing on contaminated water via The Guardian

Several thousand snow geese have died after a snowstorm forced large flocks to take refuge in the acidic, metal-laden waters of an old open pit mine in Montana. Typically, Butte sees between 2,000 and 5,000 birds all year, including spring and water migration. The estimated death toll is based on drone and aircraft flights over the pit, which holds about 45bn gallons (175bn liters) of water.

Climate Change Will Bring Wetter Storms in U.S., Study Says via The New York Times

A new study shows that intense precipitation will most likely increase across the continental United States, but with important regional variations. The biggest increase would be in the Northeast and the Gulf Coast. In fact, the study shows that these intense storms could become five times as frequent. And when they do

happen, there could be up to 70 percent more rain, potentially turning a heavy but not catastrophic storm into something closer to a biblical flood. It might seem as though big rainstorms would help alleviate drought in the Midwest or elsewhere, but the opposite can actually be true. If a heavy rainstorm occurs during a drought, it can lead to soil erosion, washing away the plants that help the soil absorb moisture.

Data shows most American farms are still family farms via Food Safety News

After all these years, agriculture in America remains overwhelmingly dominated by family farms. A new report by USDA's Economic Research Service (ERS) shows not only just how dependent America is on family farms, but also how many are independent of government. Family farms of various types together account for 99 percent of all farms, and those account for 89 percent of the production as of 2015.

Drain The Regulatory Swamp. Let Agriculture Bloom via Forbes

(Opinion) The costs and benefits of many regulations are alarmingly unbalanced, and reducing the regulatory burden judiciously could be good news not only for consumers, but also for a number of R&D sectors with the capacity to produce the Next Big Thing. While a handful of huge agribusiness companies are able to cope with and have benefitted from excessive regulation, agricultural scientists and smaller companies have become discouraged by the excessively burdensome regulatory costs. The result has been a brake on agricultural innovation, which is evident from the fact that the vast majority of acreage of genetically engineered crops is huge-volume commodity crops, while "specialty crops" such as fruits, nuts, and vegetables have been largely ignored.

Obama administration halts Dakota Access Pipeline via Agri-Pulse

The U. S. Army announced that it will not approve an easement that would allow the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline to cross under Lake Oahe in North Dakota. The decision was based on a need to explore alternate routes for the Dakota Access Pipeline crossing. The consideration of alternative routes would be best accomplished through an Environmental Impact Statement with full public input and analysis. Tribal officials have expressed concerns that a pipeline rupture or spill could harm its water supply and treaty rights.

Christmas Trees Are Dying From Drought via The Huffington Post

The nation's farmers have been especially hard hit by the dry spell. Crops have failed, livestock has had to be sold and farmers have been struggling to keep the iconic Christmas tree — typically spruces, pines and firs — alive. In Alabama, ravaged by the "worst drought in memory," Christmas tree farms "throughout the state are realizing they have no trees available this year." Christmas tree farms in Tennessee are opening later in the season because of drought and in states from Florida to New York, farmers have complained of dead seedlings, stunted growth, and Christmas trees that are "stressed" and unusually dry.

Crowd cheers return of rare weasel species via The Detroit News

One by one, 10 Pacific fishers that had been trapped in British Columbia were set free at a park south of Seattle as part of a multiyear effort to reintroduce the native species to its historical range. Fishers historically were found throughout much of the forested areas of the West Coast. But they declined in numbers due to trapping in the 1800s and early 1900s, and the loss of forest habitats.

Why Trump needs a strong Agriculture secretary via The Hill

(Opinion) The secretary's day job consists of administering farm policy; implementing conservation initiatives; promoting agricultural trade; ensuring food safety; carrying out international and domestic feeding programs; offering agricultural credit; providing critical rural infrastructure, including electrification, water and sewer, police, fire, and health facilities, and lifesaving telemedicine; supporting land-grant universities and vital research; as well as forestry, energy, horticulture, and livestock policies. There can be no question as to the value of rural America's contribution to the moral character of our great country, but there are significant economic contributions as well, with U.S. farmers and ranchers alone directly or indirectly responsible for 16 million American jobs.

Lawmakers reach deal for California drought relief via Agri-Pulse

Farmers in California's drought-stricken Central Valley could get additional irrigation water in coming years under bipartisan provisions included in a congressional agreement to reauthorize water projects. The

December 12, 2016



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GOVERNANCE TRAINING FROM LAFCO

The Local Agency Formation Commission for San Bernardino County ("LAFCO"), as a part of its ongoing efforts to provide for continuing education for its constituents, has implemented a local governance training program for agencies. The intent of this program is to provide free access to educational and training resources that agencies may not have otherwise.

The remaining program schedule for 2016-17 is as follows:

Educational Training Program Schedule	
Training Session, Presenter	Date, Time, Location
<i>LAFCO 101 – Understanding and Applying the Basics</i> CALAFCO and San Bernardino and Riverside LAFCOs	January 24, 2017 1:00 p.m. Norton Regional Event Center City of San Bernardino
<i>Partnering with Community Based Organizations for More Inclusive Public Engagement</i> Institute for Local Government	March 22, 2017 10:00 a.m. Cucamonga Valley Water District Frontier Project

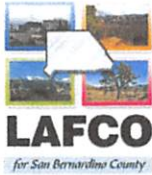
Attached to this letter is a registration form for the second session on January 24, 2017 (1:00 p.m.) to be held at the San Bernardino International Airport, Norton Regional Event Center, 1601 East Third Street, San Bernardino or you can register on-line via the LAFCO homepage (www.sbclafco.org). **There is no cost to attend this training.** We encourage all officials and staff to attend.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the San Bernardino LAFCO office at (909) 388-0480 or at lafco@lafco.sbcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

KATHLEEN ROLLINGS-McDONALD
Executive Officer

FREE WORKSHOP



SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

LAFCO 101 – Understanding and Applying the Basics

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Norton Regional Event Center Auditorium
1601 E 3rd St #100
San Bernardino, 92408

Instructor: Pamela Miller, Executive Director, California Association of LAFCOs
Paul Novak, Executive Officer, Los Angeles LAFCO
George Spiliotis, Executive Officer, Riverside LAFCO
Kathleen Rollings-McDonald, Executive Officer, San Bernardino LAFCO

This presentation is intended to assist elected officials and staff members of counties, cities and special districts in understanding the basics of the LAFCO review process for changes in jurisdictional boundaries, required Spheres of Influence updates, and service reviews for municipal services. It will also cover the requirements for disadvantaged unincorporated communities. The California Association of LAFCOs (CALAFCO) Executive Director and representatives from the LAFCOs serving San Bernardino, Riverside and Los Angeles counties will be presenting the history and local implementation of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, the guiding statute for all LAFCOs.

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NACD's 71st Annual Meeting will include keynote speeches from American Farm Bureau Federation President Zippy Duvall and Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper, as well as panels on the West's wild horse and burro and water conservation challenges. You'll want to reserve your seat for the screening of *Unbranded*, with a special introduction by documentarian Ben Masters, to learn how he and a group of friends trekked over 2,000 miles of the American West on horseback. The annual meeting offers beautiful tours of the sights surrounding Denver, but you're sure to learn about the unique challenges the state faces as well. During your stay, you'll want to attend our breakout sessions (check out the [descriptions online here](#)), where you'll have the chance to engage in conversation with experts across the diverse field of conservation.

It's not too late to [become a sponsor](#) for the Annual Meeting, or to donate an auction item! The [Live Auction](#) on Monday, January 30, featuring auctioneer

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**Join us in welcoming
Laura, NACD's new
Northern Plains
representative**

A message from Laura Demmel,
NACD's new Northern Plains
Region representative:



My desire for healthy lands through conservation and good stewardship sprouted early in life on our family's organic farm near Ogallala, Nebraska. In 2007, I was introduced to NACD when I became an intern. I gained some Capitol Hill experience working with Senator Ben Nelson's office and the National Farmers Union from 2010-2012. I also served as a U.S. Peace Corps Volunteer in the Republic of Moldova for two years in the areas of small business development and youth education. I now call Bozeman, Montana, home and I am so thankful for the opportunity to

Johnny Regula, is quickly shaping up to be better than ever—check out the list of donated items and start saving up for handpainted mailboxes, use of Case IH tractors, or a John Deere Gator Utility Vehicle!



After you complete your early bird registration, make sure to [order an Annual Meeting t-shirt](#) and [pack a book](#) to donate to North Elementary in Colorado. We look forward to seeing you in Denver in just over a month!

NACD PUTS OUT PRESS RELEASE, SENDS LETTER ON BLM PLANNING RULE

Last week, NACD sent a [letter](#) and put out a [press release](#) on the Bureau of Land Management's final [planning rule](#), commonly referred to as "Planning 2.0," published in the Federal Register earlier this month. NACD submitted [comments](#) on the proposed version of the planning rule in May 2016 and although it recognizes the agency has made improvements to the rule in its final form, it is still concerned the regulation inadequately acknowledges the critical importance of local involvement in the planning process.

"For one, the BLM's rule would require that all land management plans used in the agency's planning process be approved by local, state, or tribal governments. As an organization that represents thousands of local entities, we know just how resource-intensive and time consuming developing and approving these plans can be, and fear this provision could disincentivize local participation," NACD President Lee McDaniel said. "In the past, local governments with policies and programs for public lands management were included in the BLM's planning process, but now, unless they have an 'official' plan, these entities won't be able to participate at the same level."

You can learn more about BLM's Planning 2.0 by heading over to [NACD's Newsroom](#) and by attending our [2017 Annual Meeting in Denver](#) where Kristin Bail, BLM's assistant director for renewable resources and planning, will be giving a presentation on the regulation at our Public Lands RPG meeting.

serve as your Northern Plains Regional representative.

You can reach Laura by email at laura-demmel@nacdnet.org.

NACD and NCF attend irrigation expo

Last week, National Conservation Foundation trustee Gene Schmidt and NACD Director of Development Melisa Augusto exhibited at the Irrigation Show. A joint meeting of the Irrigation Association and the National Ground Water Association (NGWA), the show provided an opportunity to highlight the work of NACD, NCF, and the districts. Gene and Melisa had meaningful conversations with several industry professionals about future opportunities for our organizations to partner on projects and programming. If you'd like to support the work of the National Conservation Foundation, please [email Melisa Augusto](#).

NACD is looking to fill a key accounting position

NACD is accepting applications for its Washington, D.C.-based Senior Staff Accountant and Grant Accountant position. He or she will be responsible for all accounting cycle tasks, in addition to pre- and post-award grant accounting. The ideal candidate would have experience working with smaller organizations, and at a minimum, have some grant, government contracting, or other project accounting experience.

To view the job posting, [click here](#). Applications – including a resume, cover letter, and two

YOUR UPDATE FROM WASHINGTON, D.C.

Late last week, the House of Representatives and the Senate passed a continuing resolution to fund the federal government through April 28, 2017 at Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 levels. Now that Congress has passed the funding bill, the 114th Congress is officially closed. When the 115th Congress opens on January 3, 2017, it will have several things on its plate, not the least of which will be funding the federal government through the end of FY 2017 and holding confirmation hearings for President-elect Trump's numerous Cabinet appointments.

Speaking of appointments, another Cabinet member was announced last week that will be of interest to conservation districts. Current Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt has been nominated by the president-elect to head the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Because Trump has promised to roll back many EPA-led initiatives, NACD and the rest of Washington, D.C., will be watching this appointment closely over the coming months. The USDA secretary and other top USDA officials, such as the chief of NRCS, have not been announced, but speculation abounds. We're hearing North Dakota Senator Heidi Heitkamp, a Democrat, and former Georgia Governor Sonny Purdue, a Republican, are at the top of Trump's list.

MASON REPRESENTS NACD AT OHIO RIVER BASIN ALLIANCE SUMMIT



strategies to engage new partners. NACD North Central Region Representative Beth Mason was in

The [Ohio River Basin Alliance](#) (ORBA) met in Cincinnati, Ohio, last week to discuss research, public use and access, and current projects in the river basin and brainstorm

writing samples – should be sent to hr@nacdn.org with “Senior Staff Accountant-Grant Accountant” in the subject line.

Call to state associations: Do you have an inductee for the NACD Hall of Distinction?

Every state and territory has current or past district officials who have advanced conservation at the national level. Honor your area's conservation heroes by inducting them into NACD's Hall of Distinction! [Head over to our website](#) for more information.

We apologize for the error

In last week's edition of eResource, Kevin Jeffries was incorrectly referred to as Virginia's NACD board member. Mr. Jeffries is the Southeast Region Chair for the board of directors, and Virginia's board member is John Peterson.

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NACD Events Calendar

For additional details regarding meetings listed below, [click here.](#)

- USDA-NRCS Symposium on Innovative Partnerships

attendance, representing the interests of soil and water conservation districts along the basin.

ORBA is a coalition of industry, governmental, and non-governmental partners. The organization has four working groups – Enterprise and Infrastructure, Restoration and Protection, Sustainable Growth and Competitiveness, and Water Availability and Management – all charged with two goals: (1) identifying high priority challenges in the basin that can be improved through regional collaboration, and (2) identifying organizations for which the challenge is strategic. At this meeting, each group also discussed the [America's Watershed Initiative's report card for the Ohio-Tennessee Rivers](#) and how that baseline assessment can be improved.

Currently, ORBA is actively searching for regional sponsorship to move the alliance's efforts forward. For more information on ORBA, its mission and vision, and how to be engaged, please be sure to visit [their website](#).

for Working Lands
Conservation - December
15, 2016

- NACD Annual Meeting -
January 28 - February 1,
2017
 - North Central Regional
Meeting - January 9 - 10,
2017
 - NACD Fly-In - March 21,
2017
 - Stewardship and
Education Week - April 30
- May 7, 2017
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In summer 2016, NACD teamed up with NRCS to award \$2 million in grants to 42 conservation districts in 25 states to boost technical assistance capacity for urban agriculture conservation projects. The Eastern Connecticut Conservation District in Connecticut was one of the initiative's 2016 awardees.



ECCD's winning proposal detailed its plans to provide technical assistance to community garden associations in marginalized, predominately minority communities challenged by food deserts. The district's technical assistance efforts focused on improving soil health, increasing crop productivity, and protecting water quality in these gardens. It also sought to create a community where gardening ideas and conservation resources could be shared.

This fall, ECCD staff worked with GROW Windham to plan a new model community garden. The site was prepared with compost, fencing, garden beds, and a demonstration plot for cover crops. The staff also teamed up with partners to design workshops – the first of which was called “Soil First: Foundations for Successful Gardens and Farms” and drew an audience of 35 in mid-October. As part of the session, Kip Kolesinkas, a retired NRCS soil conservationist representing the University of Connecticut Cooperative Extension, led hands-on activities on the importance and value of soil analysis.

Four additional hands-on workshops will be conducted on water quality, water conservation and irrigation, composting, and integrated pest management, and an urban growers' conference will be held in March prior to the growing season. Also this spring, ECCD, GROW Windham, and other project partners, will set up a community composter and construct a seasonal high tunnel at Lauter Park in Willimantic, Connecticut. Not only will the high tunnel extend the growing season, it will provide a gathering space to grow the conservation community.

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December 13, 2016

Rose Corona
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Dear Ms. Corona,

Whether the members of your Board of Directors are newly elected, re-elected, or appointed, CSDA knows they are looking for the resources that will help them best serve their community in the coming year. CSDA has been providing special districts with those resources – educational opportunities, information sharing, and advocacy services – for more than 45 years. We are dedicated to the success of your district.

CSDA is the only statewide association representing all types of special districts and serving over 1,100 members and affiliate organizations. In keeping with our mission, we have prepared a packet of information we ask you to share with your Board members.

- **Special District Board Member/Trustee Handbook** – full of valuable information to help elected/appointed officials fulfill their role
- **Board Member Best Practices Workshops** – scheduled in six convenient locations around the state
- **Special District Leadership Academy Conference** – comprehensive governance training for elected/appointed officials
- **District Information Correction Form** – to ensure your new board members are included in your district's roster

For additional copies of the brochures or handbook, please contact CSDA Member Services and we'll be happy to provide them. We also encourage you to sign up your new board members for the weekly CSDA *e-News* and legislative updates; contact us at 877.924.2732 or cassandras@csda.net. For additional resources and a complete calendar of educational offerings, visit our website at www.csda.net.

Serving on the Board of Directors/Trustees for a special district is a unique and important responsibility. Please extend our congratulations to your newly elected/appointed board members and our thanks for their commitment to special districts.

We are proud to count your district as a CSDA member.

Best regards,

Cathrine Lemaire
Member Services Director

PS: Don't forget! Renew your CSDA membership by January 3, 2017 and get access to free online Ethics Training for your entire Board. Call 877.924.2732 for details.

District Information Correction Form

Please review all information below, correct any errors and fill in any blanks. Then either return the corrected version with your dues payment or fax to CSDA at 916.442.7889. Thank you!

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(Operating Revenue is the district's total operating income/revenue as of 6/30/2016.)

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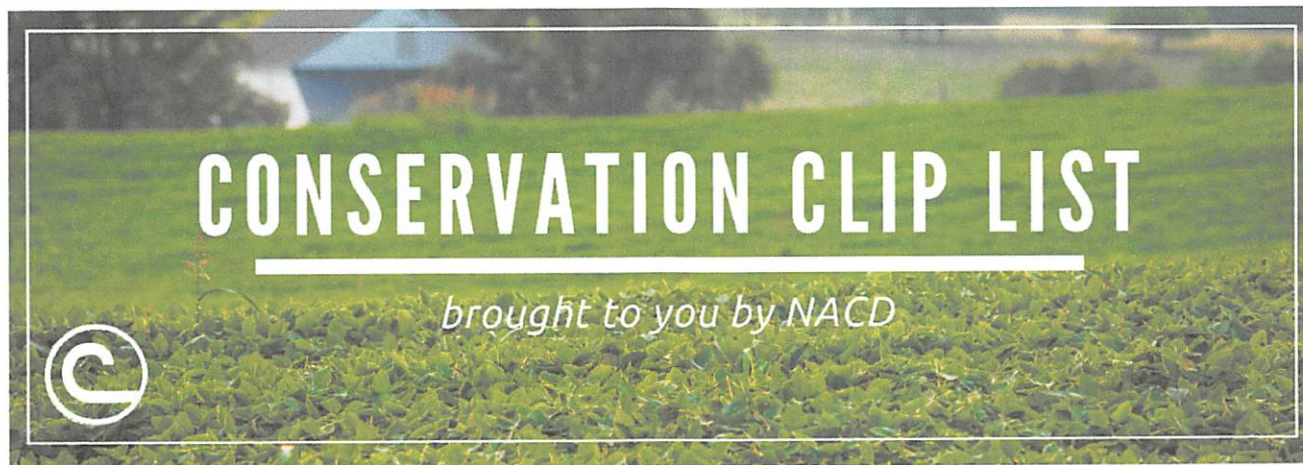
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Conservation Clip List is a weekly collection of articles distributed by NACD that provides our members and partners with the latest news in what's driving conservation. If you have a relevant submission, please contact your NACD Communications Team.

What does the new federal water bill mean for California? For one, a big win for farmers via The Sacramento Bee

Congress passed a wide-ranging water bill that is likely to result in greater pumping of Northern California water to farms and cities in the San Joaquin Valley and Southern California. The bill is designed to route more of the Sacramento River's flows to the giant government-run pumping stations near Tracy, which deliver water to California's dry interior and southern expanse via the State Water Project and Central Valley Project. That would mean less water in the rivers for fish and wildlife, and less flowing to the San Francisco Bay and out to the ocean.

Voluntary conservation: It works! via Agri-Pulse

(Opinion) As we look ahead to a new year, a new Administration, and a new farm bill, it's important to recognize what works and what doesn't. Top of my list of approaches that really work? Voluntary conservation-no surprise there. The stewardship ethic is all about putting it back. Keeping the soil on the land, building it up through manure and cover crops, and restoring and retaining productivity. Not because someone in Washington, D.C., or Pierre, South Dakota, threatens to fine you if you don't. But because you know it will reduce erosion, increase soil health, boost productivity, and benefit the bottom line both today and tomorrow.

Trump picks GOP Rep. Zinke for Interior secretary via The Hill

President-elect Donald Trump announced Thursday that Rep. Ryan Zinke (R-Mont.) would be his nominee for Interior secretary. As head of the 70,000-employee Interior Department, Zinke would oversee most of the United States' federal land, along with wildlife, parks, offshore drilling, American Indian tribal relations, and more. Zinke is an avid hunter, fisherman, and hiker, and said he is committed to both properly caring for public lands and making the best use of them.

Bald eagle comes off endangered species list in Washington State via The Christian Science Monitor

Washington State removed the bald eagle and the peregrine falcon from its endangered species list. The action in Washington is part of a national recovery effort that has seen the bald eagle population flourish since it was first placed on the federal Endangered Species List in 1967. The continental United States now has 10,000 nesting pairs nationwide, and bald eagles are officially classified as animals of "Least Concern" because their population is increasing.

MN Board of Water & Soil Resources Awards \$13.4 Million in Clean Water Fund Grants via ABC 5 Eyewitness News

The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources approved more than \$13 million in Clean Water Fund grants at its December meeting. The money is going to local government projects benefiting Minnesota's streams, rivers, lakes, and groundwater. The BWSR receives appropriations from the Clean, Water, Land and Legacy Amendment, which was approved by Minnesota voters in 2008.

North Dakota Oil Pipeline Spills An Estimated 176,000 Gallons via The Huffington Post

A pipeline in the western part of North Dakota has spilled more than 130,000 gallons of oil into a creek, state officials said. In all, the Belle Fourche pipeline lost 4,200 barrels of crude oil, or more than 176,000 gallons, before operators shut it down. Most of the oil flowed into the Ash Coulee Creek near Belfield.

Wild hogs destroying homeowners' yards in Fort Bend County via KHOU

Homeowners in the Riverstone subdivision near Sugar Land, Texas, say wild pigs are devouring their lawns and landscaping. Locals believe the pigs are coming onto their properties because nearby development is pushing them out of their habitat. "We are paying all this money; our property values are going down because the pigs are causing all this devastation. Something has to be done."

How Donald Trump's EPA and China Picks Will Benefit Big Agriculture via Newsweek

During the campaign, President-elect Donald Trump's agriculture advisers had a tough row to hoe: They had to assure farm-state Republicans that Trump's constant tirades against trade wouldn't hurt a farm economy that relies increasingly on exports. They also stressed Trump's disdain for the regulation of farming practices, vowing he'd bring the Environmental Protection Agency to heel. Here's a quick rundown of why Trump's recent personnel choices amount to twin gifts to Big Ag.

Washington state suing Monsanto over PCB pollution via Seattle Times

Washington says it's the first U.S. state to sue the agrochemical giant Monsanto over pollution from PCBs. The chemicals, polychlorinated biphenyls, were used in many industrial and commercial applications, including in paint, coolants, sealants, and hydraulic fluids. PCB contamination impairs rivers, lakes, and bays around the country. The lawsuit, which seeks potentially hundreds of millions of dollars in cleanup costs, was filed in King County Superior Court and says Monsanto long knew about the toxic dangers PCBs posed.

Colorado facing growth boom, droughts launches \$25 million push to save streams via The Denver Post

Colorado officials want \$25 million to create stream protection plans in every corner of the state, trying to save watersheds increasingly imperiled by industry, droughts, and more people siphoning water. There's little doubt streams statewide are strained by thirsts of a growing population expected to double by 2060. And a look at the latest water quality data found that 12,975 miles of streams across Colorado (14 percent of all stream miles) are classified as "impaired" with pollutants exceeding limits set by state regulators.

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The NACD Auxiliary is looking forward to seeing you in Denver for our national association's 2017 Annual Meeting being held Saturday, January 28, 2017 to Wednesday February 1, 2017.

The 2017 meeting theme – “Our Water, Our Land, Our People” – has guided NACD's careful selection of speakers, breakout sessions, and tours that we're sure you won't want to miss.

Like the 70 NACD annual meetings before it, this conference will be your opportunity in 2017 to network with conservation professionals, support locally-led conservation, and learn about best practices in management, leadership, communications, and more.

The early-bird deadline to register has been extended to Friday, December 23 to accommodate those who were unable to complete their registrations last week. For those of you who plan on registering this week, we encourage you to do so online. We also suggest you check out the tours Auxiliary will be hosting during the event on [NACD's 2017 Annual Meeting Tours webpage](#). To help you plan for your trip to Denver, we've rounded up the top six Auxiliary highlights of this coming meeting. **We ho-ho-hope to see you there!**

1. Auxiliary Kick Off Event

Date: Saturday January 28, 2017

Time: 5:30 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Location: Denver Museum of Nature and Science

Cost: \$125

This Auxiliary-hosted event will be held at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. Included in the ticket price is transportation, a full dinner (including dessert!), and admission to an IMAX theater showing of National Geographic's "Extreme Weather." After the movie, meeting attendees will enjoy a private session in the

museum's gems and minerals exhibit.

2. Inspirational Program

Date: Sunday January 20, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

Attend the meeting's Inspirational Program to find out the winners of the 2016 Poster and Photo Contests.

3. Country Store

Date: Sunday, January 29 through Tuesday, January 31, 2017

Time: Whenever the Conservation Expo is open.

Location: Plaza Exhibit Hall

At our booth in the Conservation Expo, the Auxiliary sells items that benefit NACD's educational outreach. We are asking every state represented at the meeting to donate an item or two to be sold at our Country Store. We also encourage every meeting attendee to stop by our booth to take a closer look at our handmade quilt for purchase and buy raffle tickets to win it!

The 2017 meeting quilt, named "Swoon," was adapted from a Camille Roskelley design. It is machine quilted, contains 2,052 pieces plus sashing, and features 35 different heirloom quality Moda quilt fabrics. It's appropriate for a king-size bed (122" x 125") and valued at \$6,000.

Raffle tickets cost \$1 each, or \$5 for six. Tickets can be purchased from any Auxiliary member before Tuesday February 1, 2017 when the winning ticket will be drawn.

4. NACD Auxiliary Business Meeting

Date: Monday January 30, 2017

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Attend our yearly business meeting to discussing Auxiliary's future projects and the ways we can support NACD in their educational outreach.

5. NACD Auxiliary Breakfast and Education Program

Date: Tuesday January 31, 2017

Time: 7:00 a.m.- 8:30 a.m. (before the General Session starts, so we can all attend!)

Join us Tuesday morning for breakfast and an educational presentation from Bette Blinde, an education specialist based in Denver.

6. Tuesday Tours

Lariat Loop Tour

Date: Tuesday February 1, 2017

Time: 11:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Cost: \$55

Location: Golden, Colorado, for shopping and lunch; Buffalo Bill Museum and burial site; and Red Rock Canyon.

Escape with us to view the spectacular views of Colorado. This tour will be packed with natural, cultural, and historic features.

3-M Tour

Date: Tuesday February 1, 2017

Time: 11:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Cost: \$66

Location: Mile High Stadium (the home of the Denver Broncos); Wynkoop Brewery for lunch; the home of Molly Brown; and the U.S. Mint in Denver.

Join us as we visit some of the most fascinating places Denver has to offer.

We want to express our appreciation of your continued support of NACD Auxiliary. For us, the highlight of each annual meeting is the amazing individuals we get to connect with. If you have any questions, please contact us!

Sincerely,

Your NACD Auxiliary

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Hi, everyone. Below is a link to our 2015 Species Occurrence Dataset, which includes species occurrences from our inventory and monitoring surveys conducted between 2005 and 2015. Please remember to replace your old file with this new one because we do occasionally make corrections in older data.

You can download the data as a shapefile, which has metadata attached to it and can be viewed in ArcCatalog. There is also an Excel spreadsheet and a metadata document in Word for those who don't use GIS.

Because of a recent issue with downloading from Box.com, please review the data first before using it. There should not be any blank records or fields. There should be approximately 108,000 records. Please let me know if you encounter any problems.

Here is the link:

<https://riversidecountyregionalconserv.box.com/s/y7b1alfqj81hz1ulqmp5v1clkjth0hc8>

Please remember that these data are available to local land managers, federal, state, and local agencies through the Monitoring Program. No portion of this dataset, nor any prior dataset released by the Monitoring Program, should be redistributed without prior written approval from the Monitoring Program or the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority.

If you have any questions regarding this dataset, please let me know.

Thanks and enjoy!

Karen

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Making private forestland outreach stick in Michigan

Michigan's [Forestry Assistance Program](#) is enhancing active management of non-industrial private forest lands throughout the northern half of the state with the help of conservation districts and private sector partners. The grant initiative is administered through the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD). Through the program, conservation districts can receive financial assistance to hire staff foresters, who in turn,

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Minnesota

SWCD recognizes outstanding forest steward

The Hufnagle Family Limited Partnership received the 2016 Outstanding Forest Steward Award at the Minnesota Association of Conservation Districts annual convention for its more than 50 years of conscientious forest management. The family was nominated by the Koochiching Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD).

The Hufnagles forest management projects have included an expansive white pine planting operation, timber stand improvement, and wildlife habitat development. Richard

provide private landowners with critical education resources and one-on-one technical assistance on local forest health issues.

But before the Forestry Assistance Program found success, it had to overcome its share of obstacles. For years, the state had relied unsuccessfully on similar models to increase staff capacity and private forestland management. But the funding was unreliable, and many professional foresters believed those models put private sector businesses at a competitive disadvantage.

During one period, Michigan had no forestry outreach program, despite an obvious need. At that time, Lori Phalen worked for a local conservation district office. "We continually had folks with woodlands calling our office and asking for assistance," she said. "It was frustrating. They weren't getting the help they were looking for."

State agency leaders pulled stakeholders together, and through a collaborative process drafted language to protect private sector interests as well as allow for additional private forestland outreach. [Read more>>>](#)

Forestry Notes Q&A: Victor Harris, Minority Landowner Magazine



Victor Harris has over 30 years of experience in forest management. He was an area forester with the Virginia Department of Forestry, then joined the North Carolina Division of Forest Resources as head of engineering services and was later promoted to assistant state forester for administration.

In 2005, Harris began publishing Minority Landowner Magazine, which chronicles the challenges and successes of minority farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners across the country. The publication's mission is to provide information that will help landowners improve productivity, increase profitability, and maintain ownership of their land.

Harris also serves as an outreach consultant, designing and producing minority landowner forestry and agricultural workshops nationally. He recently served on the Woodlands Committee of the American Forest Foundation and is a past board member of the Conservation Trust for North Carolina. [Read more>>>](#)



Watch: State Forest Action Plans webinar

The Joint Forestry Team (JFT) recently hosted a webinar on how state forestry agencies use State Forest Action Plans to assess natural resources and develop strategies for improving forest health, wildlife habitat, and water quality as well as reducing wildfire risk. Some states use public input to identify priorities for private landowners, tribes, communities, and other groups.

This is the second in a series of webinars hosted by JFT, whose purpose is to make recommendations that result in coordinated, interagency delivery of forestry and conservation assistance. Its members include the U.S. Forest Service, NRCS, the National Association of State Foresters, and NACD.

Watch the webinar [here](#).

Hufnagle told the International Falls Journal that sustainable timber management that supports northern Minnesota's natural resources and its local economies has always been the family's number one goal. [Click here](#) to read more.

California

RCD sponsors tree care forum

The Inland Empire Resource Conservation District (RCD) and Redlands Sustainability Network recently sponsored a tree care community forum. The forum detailed the value trees bring to urban areas and how to best care for them during drought. Two forestry professionals gave attendees tips on watering and pruning methods. To learn more about the forum, [click here](#).

Texas

SWCD sponsors windbreak tree sale

The Gaines County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) is working with the Texas Forest Service to plan a windbreak tree project for spring 2017. Residents will have the option of purchasing container species (25 seedlings for \$65) or bareroot species (25 for \$55). More than a half-dozen species of each variety are available.

Windbreaks are one of five identified agroforestry practices; they are linear plantings of trees and shrubs

designed to enhance crop production, protect people and livestock, and benefit soil and water conservation. Read more on the story [here](#).

Forestry News

Report: 102 million dead California trees [\[link\]](#)

Vox: Why planting more trees is one of the smartest things a city can do [\[link\]](#)

Which are better for the environment: Real Christmas trees or artificial trees? [\[link\]](#)

Book examines the interactions between forests, water, climate, and management [\[link\]](#)

Calendar

January 28

[NACD Forestry RPG Winter Meeting](#)

Denver, Colorado

January 28 - February 1

[2017 NACD Annual Meeting](#)

Denver, Colorado

February 15 - 19

[2017 NWTF Convention and Sport Show](#)

Nashville, Tennessee

March 28 - 30

[International Mass Timber Conference](#)

Portland, Oregon

June 19 -22

[NACD Forestry RPG Summer Meeting](#)

Deadwood, South Dakota

June 27 - 29

2017 North American
Agroforestry Conference

Blacksburg, West Virginia

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JAN. 28 – FEB. 1, 2017



Saturday 28

Board of Directors meeting
Resolutions committee
meeting
NACD Auxiliary kick off
event

Sunday 29

Conservation Expo
Committee meetings
Region meetings
Board of Directors meeting
"Unbranded" film screening
and panel discussion
Welcome reception

Monday 30

Conservation Expo
General session
Leadership luncheon
Breakout sessions
Resolutions hearings
NACD Live Auction

Tuesday 31

Conservation Expo
General session
Board of Directors meet-
ing
Breakout sessions
Appreciation banquet

Wednesday 1

Board of Directors meeting
Conservation Symposia
NCPP meeting

Prominent speakers

Colorado Governor
John Hickenlooper

American Farm Bureau
Federation President
Zippy Duvall

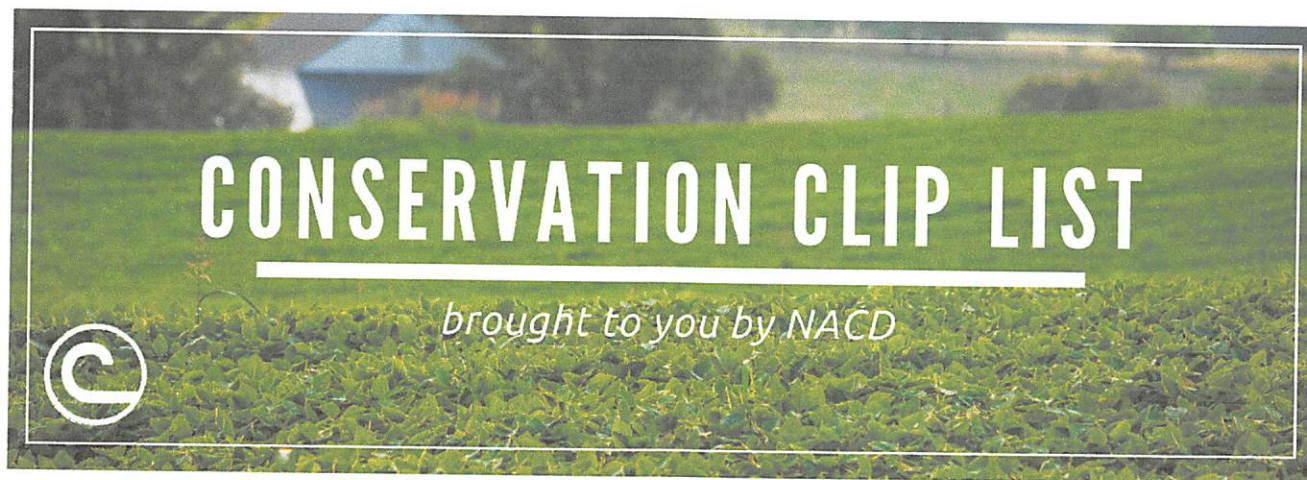
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USDA earmarks \$32M for 2017 conservation projects via Agri-Pulse

USDA is investing \$32 million in new projects and in support of 26 projects already underway, all aimed at improving the health and resiliency of ecosystems where public forests and grasslands connect to privately-owned lands. Federal, state, and local partners will bring an additional \$30 million through financial and in-kind contributions over three years to help implement the newly added projects. With this funding, Joint Chiefs' projects will extend to 29 states.

Let's improve soil and water quality with crop insurance via The Des Moines Register

(Opinion) If there are two things that every farmer I know has an opinion about, it's water quality and crop insurance. But we don't talk enough about how crop insurance affects water quality and soil health. We need crop insurance to help farmers manage risk. But could crop insurance also encourage farmers to implement practices that are better for water quality and soil health? I believe it can.

US water projects aimed at easing drought to get \$225M via The Washington Post

The federal government will spend nearly a quarter-billion dollars to finance several dozen projects aimed at easing the effects of drought in the western U.S. and restoring watersheds that provide drinking water to communities around the nation. The \$225 million in funding will be shared among 88 projects, from California's Central Valley to centuries-old irrigation systems in northern New Mexico and thousands of square miles of fragmented streams in Maine. More than half of the projects specifically address drought and water quality.

As record Appalachian wildfires fizzle out, scientists look to learn from the destruction via Science Magazine

Now, with Appalachia's wildfires fizzling out, fire scientists and fire managers are figuring out what they can learn from the conflagrations. In part, they hope to assemble data that might help them identify areas

most at risk of dangerous fires, and encourage management practices—such as the use of prescribed burns—which could limit future outbreaks.

EPA: Fracking has impacted drinking water resources via Agri-Pulse

Correcting what it considers a misreading of its 2015 draft report on hydraulic fracking, EPA released a thick final report Tuesday that it says “provides scientific evidence that hydraulic fracturing activities can impact drinking water resources in the United States.”

Invasive 'super weed' spreads through Iowa via The Des Moines Register

Farmers in Iowa, Minnesota, and some other Midwestern states have learned that the native grasses and prairies planted to help butterflies and other pollinators inadvertently have spread the noxious weed Palmer amaranth. It has overrun and choked fields across the southern United States, where it has proved resistant to several herbicides, including widely used glyphosate. Seeds from the highly invasive weed could easily sprout again, moving from field to field, crowding out corn, soybeans, and other cash crops.

Interior adopts controversial last-minute rule to make the coal industry cleaner via The Washington Post

The Obama administration finalized a rule Monday morning that aims to protect thousands of miles of streams by forcing coal mining companies “to avoid mining practices that permanently pollute streams, destroy drinking water sources ... and threaten forests.” Under the rule, which overhauls regulations in place for more than three decades, coal companies that have finished mining in an area will be required to restore the land to the same condition that existed before digging began.

EPA, farm groups win Mississippi River nutrient case via Agri-Pulse

Mississippi River Basin states should be given a chance to address nutrient pollution first, before the federal government steps in, a federal court ruled late last week. The latest decision “isn't likely to be the end of the road - at least not for many years. But the agricultural community and the states in the Mississippi River Basin should take this opportunity to redouble our efforts to ensure the best practices are in place to demonstrate, when the next round of petitions and lawsuits come, that we are all doing our part for water quality.”

Obama will use his executive authority to impose new permanent bans on offshore drilling via The Los Angeles Times

Invoking a rarely used provision in federal law, the Obama administration announced a permanent ban on offshore drilling in broad parts of the Arctic and Atlantic coasts — a sweeping and controversial move that will help secure the president's environmental legacy even as critics vowed to reverse it.

Las Vegas now runs completely on renewable energy via USA Today

From street lights to city parks, community centers and fire stations, all Las Vegas city-run spots are now powered entirely by renewable energy, making it the largest in the U.S. to use such sources. Overall, the city's energy savings because of its shift is estimated at roughly \$5 million annually. The city invested more than \$40 million in renewable energy over the past few years.

EPA doesn't have to set water limits for 2 fertilizers via The Washington Post

A federal judge has given the Environmental Protection Agency more time to work with states on limiting their runoff of chemicals blamed for oxygen-depleted “dead zones” in the Gulf of Mexico and elsewhere. A federal judge ordered the EPA three years ago to set firm limits for the chemicals in water, but an appeals court overruled him, and the agency says it wants to keep working with states on alternative solutions. The 11 environmental groups suing the agency contend that numerous pollution-reduction plans went nowhere because the EPA never acted directly, and states have failed to solve the problem.

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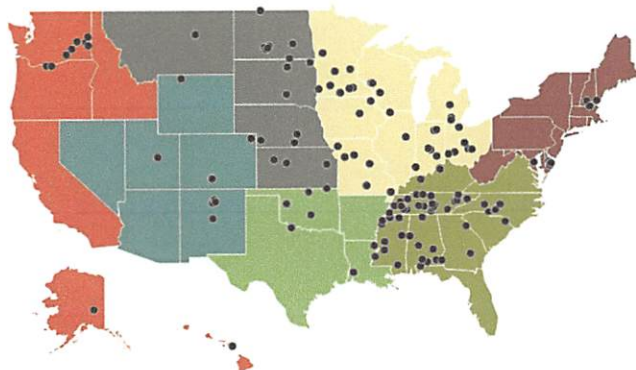
DID YOU KNOW?

Interesting Facts & Anecdotes
from your District Operations and Member Services Committee



BY BETH MASON

Did you know that in 2014, NACD received an NRCS grant to develop a comprehensive outreach plan for soil health? In the past two years, NACD has grown its [Soil Health Champions Network](#) to include over 150 landowners and land managers from 37 states. ([Read more about the agreement that helped establish the Network here on NACD's blog.](#))



Soil Health Champions are early adopters of soil conservation practices like cover crops, intensive rotational grazing, no-till, strip till, and diverse crop

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Office closed on January 2,
2017

NACD's Washington, D.C., office will be closed on Monday, January 2 in observance of New Year's Day. We wish all our members and partners a very happy new year!

Didn't get what was on your Christmas wish list?

Pick up what was missing from under your tree at NACD's Live Auction! The 2017 Annual Meeting Live Auction is shaping up to be one of our best yet with an ever-growing auction catalog. [You can see some of these items on our website](#), like a Case IH tractor, a BoarBuster trapping system for feral hogs, several handmade quilts, a deer hunt, and much more!

This is also the last week you'll be able to purchase 2017 Annual Meeting t-shirts. For just \$15 each, you can own a limited-edition, cotton t-shirt to

rotation. NACD's champs use these management tools to improve the quality and productivity of their own soils, and promote the benefits of adopting these practices through regular community outreach.

[*\(Interested in learning more about how you or someone you know can get involved in the Network? Click here!\)*](#)

Did you know that any individual, state, agency, or district can write a "Did You Know" article? The last Tuesday of each month, "Did You Know" is featured on NACD's blog and in eResource. If you have comments or questions on this month's, or suggestions for future editions, contact NACD Southeast Representative [Phylis Vandevere](#).

CONSERVATION DISTRICTS TO LEAD RECORD 25 RCPP PROJECTS IN 2017

Over \$46 million in federal funds will be awarded to 25 district-led conservation projects through the USDA Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) in 2017, setting a program record for conservation district leadership. The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) congratulates both the districts selected to lead these 25 projects and those that will play crucial support roles as partners on other RCPP projects in the new year.

"Conservation districts are natural RCPP partners," said NACD President Lee McDaniel. "Districts are professional innovators, experienced collaborators, and natural resource experts that have been working with landowners to put conservation on the ground since the days of the Dust Bowl."

Check out NACD's [press release on the RCPP funding announcement](#) for snapshots of four 2017 RCPP projects led by conservation districts.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: NACD'S JANUARY U&C WEBINAR

The first NACD Urban and Community Conservation webinar of the new year will address "Locally Led

commemorate our 71st Annual Meeting in Denver. But you only have until December 30, 2016 to order! [Click here to be redirected to NACD's Marketplace](#) and place your order before the Friday deadline.

Check your inbox for Forestry Notes

Last week, NACD sent out an action-packed edition of Forestry Notes, including a feature story on [Michigan's plan to help landowners](#) better manage their forests and an insightful [Q&A with Victor Harris](#), the publisher of Minority Landowner Magazine.

You can access past editions and sign-up to receive the latest copies of Forestry Notes [here on NACD's website](#).

NACD submits letter of support to BLM

Last week, NACD submitted a letter to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)'s Boise District Office in support of the BOSH Project and the recently released draft EIS. The BLM has proposed conducting an early-stage western juniper removal in Owyhee County, Idaho. The draft EIS shows that through appropriate management actions, the proposed juniper removal will produce effective, measurable, and long-term changes beneficial to the greater sage-grouse with minimal environmental and economic impacts. NACD's letter can be found [here](#).

**Call to state associations:
Do you have an inductee for**

Outreach in Urban and Community Areas” on January 19, 2017 from noon to 1:00pm Eastern.

Urban and rural districts gather public input to design programs and services through countywide assessments, networking, and collaboration with NGOs, coalitions, and advisory committees. New York SWCD of New York, Clay County SWCD of North Carolina, Jefferson CD of Colorado, Ciudad SWCD of New Mexico, and Thurston CD of Washington will give short presentations on their outreach methods.

These popular webinars, held on the third Thursday of each month, are sponsored by The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company in partnership with the NACD Urban and Community Resource Policy Group. There is no cost to participate, but be sure to register by emailing NACD Senior Advisor Debra Bogar at deb-bogar@nacdn.net with your name, title, district or business name, and state.

ADMINISTRATION RELEASES FINAL CCAA RULE AND POLICY

Today, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) (the Services) published in the Federal Register several ESA related final actions. USFWS finalized its [Endangered Species Act \(ESA\) Compensatory Mitigation Policy](#) (CMP) and a rule revising the regulations for [Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances](#) (CCAAs). The Services also released a [joint CCAA policy](#) revision.

NACD is currently reviewing the finalized actions and will release a more detailed statement upon completion of the review. In October, while the CMP was under public review, NACD submitted comments which can be found [here](#).

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Every state and territory has current or past district officials who have advanced conservation at the national level. Honor your area's conservation heroes by inducting them into NACD's Hall of Distinction! [Head over to our website](#) for more information.

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NACD Events Calendar

For additional details regarding meetings listed below, [click here](#).

- NACD Annual Meeting - January 28 - February 1, 2017
- North Central Regional Meeting - January 9 - 10, 2017
- Spring Fly-In - March 21, 2017
- Stewardship and Education Week - April 30 - May 7, 2017

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DATE: December 29, 2016

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FROM: Rachel Rathbone, Chief Deputy Registrar of Voters

SUBJECT: Appointment in Lieu of Election Procedures for Resource Conservation Districts

This is a reminder that the terms will be ending for some Resource Conservation District Board Members on November 25, 2016. All Resource Conservation Districts in Riverside County appoint board members in lieu of election.

In order to assist you with the appointment process, I am providing you with a calendar that outlines the appointment in lieu of election procedures. Also, enclosed are applications that you can issue to persons who want to apply for the open positions.

Please note that it is the district's responsibility to interpret Public Resource Code § 9314 and Government Code § 54974; therefore, the time frames listed on the enclosed calendar are suggested dates only.

Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board, is your contact person at the Clerk of the Board. We recommend that you contact her at (951) 955-1069 if you have any questions regarding the appointment in lieu of election process.

If you have additional questions, please feel free to call me at (951) 486-7318 or Leticia Flores at (951) 486-7212.

**NOTICE TO THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS
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LIST NAMES OF DISTRICT DIRECTORS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE.

NAME OF DIRECTOR	App'd	Exp	DIVISION NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE)
Rose Corona-President	2/1/2015	11/30/2018	
Dave Kuhlman-V.P.	12/2016	12/2020	
Carol Lee Brady-Sec/Treasurer	12/2016	12/2020	
Michael Newcomb-Director	1/2016	11/30/2018	
VACANT			

The following section applies only if a Director(s) was/were appointed to fill a vacancy in an office, which is not normally scheduled to be voted on this year (Short term).

NAME	DIVISION (If applicable)	DATE APPOINTED	DIRECTOR REPLACED
Dave Kuhlman		6/2015	Kelcey Stricker
Carol Lee Brady		9/9/2015	Pam Nelson
Michael Newcomb		1/28/2015	Danny Martin

CANDIDATES may obtain nomination documents from the Registrar of Voters, 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507, or from the District Secretary located at:

Team RED Temecula-Elsinore-Anza-Murrieta Resource Conservation District
 (Insert Location Name, Address, and Business Hours)

Dated: 12/30/16

Contact Person: Carol Lee Brady
Sign: Carol Lee Brady
 (District Secretary)

(DISTRICT SEAL)