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ANNOUNCING NACD'S 2018 ANNUAL MEETING LOGO, THEME



Congratulations Nicole Hawk of Mercer County SWCD in Ohio! Nicole's theme submission – "Conservation Takes Center Stage in Music City" – has been chosen to be featured at [next year's annual meeting](#) in Nashville, Tennessee, January 27 – 31, 2018.

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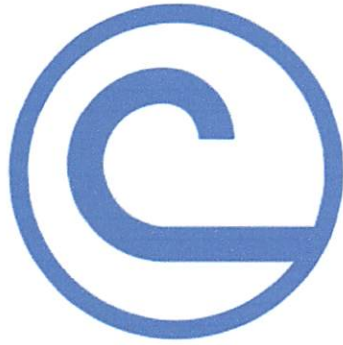
Happy 80th birthday to Brown Creek Soil and Water Conservation District!



North Carolina's Brown Creek Soil and Water Conservation District became the first conservation district ever established in the United States on August 4, 1937. Dr. Hugh Hammond Bennett, the "father of soil conservation," was an Anson County native and integral to the district's establishment.

Today, 80 years later, the Brown Creek SWCD board, staff, and partnering agencies are still dedicated to helping preserve Anson County's natural beauty and resources, and to continuing Hugh Hammond Bennett's legacy. Happy birthday and congratulations from NACD!

Nomination deadline extended for the Outstanding Young Farmer Program

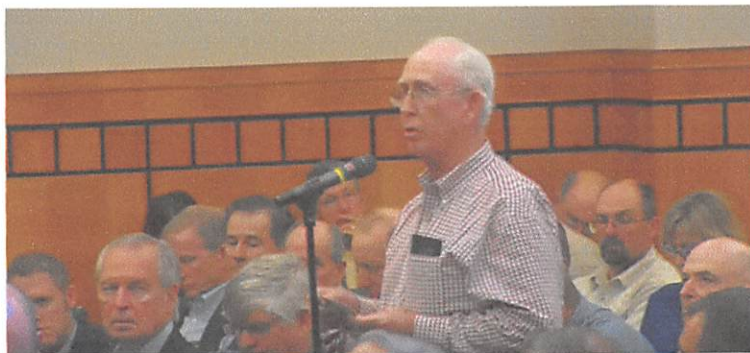


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Updating the look of NACD's branding elements – and publishing [guidelines](#) on their use – gives your national association and its members the foundation to enhance NACD brand awareness and name recognition countrywide.

To make NACD's new logos as easy to use as possible for our members, we are holding a webinar on Friday, August 18 from 10:00am to 11:00am Eastern. In this free webinar, attendees will learn the appropriate uses for NACD branding elements and have time to ask specific questions. An archived copy of the session will be available on NACD's website for those who are unable to attend. If you would like to join, [email Director of Communications Whitney Forman-Cook](#) to receive the call-in information.

NACD SPEAKS AT HOUSE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE LISTENING SESSIONS NATIONWIDE



The U.S. House Agriculture Committee traveled the

The new deadline to submit nominations for the Outstanding Young Farmer Program (OFA) is August 15. The OFA program is designed to facilitate an exchange of ideas and friendship that encourages excellence and involvement in agriculture and the local, state, and national community.

There are approximately 1,500 members of the OFA across the nation who utilize their connections with each other in a strong networking format to assist farmers and promote the importance of America's farming community. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the [OFA website](#).

Mark your calendars: NRCS webinar on urban soil mapping

This Thursday, August 10, at 2:00pm Eastern, tune in to a webinar on urban soil mapping courtesy of the National Soil Survey Center (NSSC). Speakers will discuss soil survey projects already completed in Los Angeles, Chicago, Detroit, and New York City. The webinar is free and does not require registration; simply [click here to join](#). A recording of the webinar will be available on the [NSSC YouTube channel](#) as well.

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country last week listening to what stakeholders have to say about the upcoming farm bill. Conservation districts were well represented at these listening sessions by NACD North Central Executive Board Member Ian Cunningham, NACD Board Member and South Central Region Chair Jule Richmond (pictured above), and Karen Buhr, executive director of the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts.

In **San Angelo, Texas**, on July 31, Richmond told the panel that “Locally-led, voluntary, incentive-based conservation serves agriculture best.” Three days later in **Morgan, Minnesota**, Cunningham (pictured below) asked the committee to “fight to maintain USDA's ability to do their part” in maintaining the conservation delivery system in the U.S.



On August 5 in **Modesto, California**, Buhr asked the committee to maintain funding for conservation technical assistance in the farm bill. “The Conservation Title is critical to assisting farmers and ranchers in maintaining their properties and agricultural businesses and complying with regulation. Technical assistance is a critical part of this given the diversity of landscapes and crop types here in California.”

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NCF-Envirothon materials available online



If you're interested in watching video footage from this year's international Envirothon competition – including the oral presentations given by the top three teams from Pennsylvania, New York, and New Mexico – [click here to be redirected](#) to NCF-Envirothon's official webpage. The [competition's official score sheet](#) is also available here.

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NACD URBAN AGRICULTURE CONSERVATION INITIATIVE: FAIRBANKS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ALASKA

The Fairbanks SWCD in Alaska was awarded a NACD Urban Agriculture Conservation (UAC) grant in 2016 to help south-side city residents grow “stores outside their doors” with backyard and community gardens. During evening “walkabouts” in Fairbanks neighborhoods, the district staff asked residents about their interest in gardening and attending grower workshops. With the information they gathered, the staff identified already established community gardens to host educational workshops, and searched for new sites to create gardens.



To build ongoing support for current and new gardens, the district met with the University of Alaska Fairbanks Cooperative Extension, JP Jones, the City of Fairbanks, Fairbanks Master Gardeners, NRCS, the local Rotary, and other agencies and businesses. Borough Mayor Karl Kassel even passed a rezoning measure to permit community gardens in the South Cushman area as a result.

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Through partnership planning and many donations, community gardens have been established at Fairbanks Neighborhood Housing and at the Corinthian Baptist Church. Participants in the Fairbanks SWCD's [Youth for Habitat](#) summer work program built 16 raised beds out of donated garage doors, and the Fairbanks Youth Facility built 16 raised beds out of donated warped lumber from the local mill. Numerous other groups donated resources and services.



Working with public and private sector partners, the district also created and hosted several well-attended workshops on how to: start seeds, grow food in containers, build healthy soils, and practice sustainable weed management, among other topics. To learn more about the project, [click here](#) to go to the district's website, or [here to read a NACD blog post](#).

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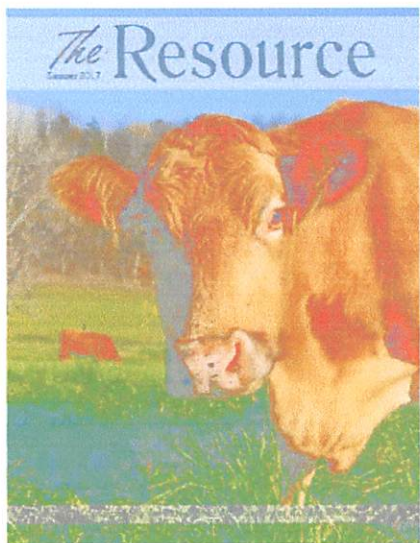




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THE SUMMER RESOURCE IS IN YOUR INBOX!



In this [summer edition of The Resource](#), you'll hear from NACD President Brent Van Dyke and CEO Jeremy Peters; read a feature story on the progress 42 conservation districts have made in increasing technical assistance capacity for urban agriculture; and get all the latest details on NACD's

policy work.

Plus, in this action-packed, 36-page Resource, you'll find: recaps of NACD's summer and region meetings and the Leadership Symposium hosted in Lincoln; three stories spotlighting districts in Massachusetts, Arkansas, and Kentucky; and a column on forestry in the farm bill from Tom Martin, president and CEO of the American Forest Foundation.

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SOUTH CENTRAL CONSERVATION LEADERS COME TOGETHER IN LOUISIANA

For your calendar: NACD,
NCPP webinars



National Association of
Conservation Districts

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Next Tuesday – August 22 from 1:00 to 2:00pm Eastern – the National Conservation Planning Partnership is hosting an Indiana-based ["What Works in the Field" webinar](#) to provide peer-to-peer support for conservation planning. To join, [follow this link](#), and direct any questions to NRCS Communications Coordinator [Chad Douglas](#).

Annual Meeting breakout
session proposals due in
two weeks



In the first week of August, conservation leaders from across the South Central Region gathered in Alexandria, Louisiana, to discuss important conservation issues and elect new leadership.

Mike Strain, Louisiana Commissioner of Agriculture, kicked off the meeting and provided an update on agriculture and conservation issues across the state. NACD President Brent Van Dyke closed out the afternoon session with an update on how NACD is working on behalf of conservation districts across the nation.

Day two of the meeting focused on the Long Leaf Pine forests in the state. David Daigle, Louisiana Association of Conservation Districts Vice President and [NACD Soil Health Champion](#), kicked off the day with a primer on the importance of these forests and the roles fire and grazing play in keeping them healthy.

Participants then boarded busses to learn more about the forests first-hand. While in the Kisatchie Long Leaf Forest, the U.S. Forest Service explained the importance of fire in Long Leaf management and how these forests provide habitat for the red-cockaded woodpecker and the Louisiana pine snake.

The meeting concluded with the election of a new South Central Region chairman: David Daigle. He will succeed Jule Richmond from Texas and assume his new post at the conclusion of the 2018 NACD Annual Meeting in Nashville. Texas will host the 2018 South Central Region meeting.



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Is your district in the market for custom clothing?

Did you know that at [NACD's Marketplace](#) you can order custom polos and button-down shirts?



If you joined us in Altoona, Iowa, for our Summer Conservation Forum and Tour, you may have noticed NACD's staff wearing Cabela's brand polos embroidered with NACD's new logo. If you and yours are interested in

220 CONSERVATIONISTS MEET IN SOUTH CAROLINA FOR NACD'S SOUTHEAST REGION MEETING



“Grow Smarter” was the theme of the Southeast Region meeting held in Greenville, South Carolina, August 6-9, and hosted by the Greenville County SWCD. Pictured above from left to right are Kirsten Robertson, Greenville County SWCD; Tina Blum, SCACD executive director; Jim Harreld, NACD Southeast executive board member; Craig Derickson, NRCS acting regional conservationist for the Southeast; Tim Palmer, NACD first vice president; Greg Henderson, NACD board member from SC; Ann English, NRCS state conservationist for SC; Kevin Jeffries, NACD Southeast Region chair; Chris Workman, SC DNR; Kenny Mullis, SCACD president and NACD alternate board member; Maddi Phillips, Greenville County SWCD; Lynn Pilewski, Greenville County SWCD; Marc Cribb, SC DNR; and Phylis Vandever, NACD Southeast representative.

Participants heard from soil health professionals from across the country, including Dr. Steven Schafer with the Soil Health Institute; Dr. Don Ball, a professor emeritus at Auburn University; Dr. Garry Lacefield, professor emeritus at the University of Kentucky; Mike Hubbs, soil health specialist for the Tennessee Association of Conservation Districts; and [Carl Coleman](#), NACD Soil Health Champion. Harry Ott, president of the South Carolina Farm Bureau, spoke as well, along with NACD First Vice President Tim Palmer.

Nine outstanding, lifelong conservationists from each of the Southeast region states were also inducted into the

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Conservation job openings!

The National Farmers Union Foundation is looking to hire a Resource Stewardship Outreach Specialist based in Iowa to promote conservation practice adoption using NRCS' Resource Stewardship Evaluation Tool (RSET). Interested applicants should email a cover letter and resume to NFU Foundation Director [Thomas Driscoll](#) by August 25.

The Soil Health Institute is seeking a professional Soil Scientist or Agronomist with a Ph.D. and expertise in both fields for a one- to three-year term appointment. This position would be responsible for managing

Southeast Region Conservation Hall of Fame, and meeting attendees enjoyed tours of urban farming and other conservation projects at the Clemson University Simpson and Research and Education Center.

The next Southeast Region meeting will take place in Williamsburg, Virginia, August 2-9, 2018 in conjunction with the NACD Summer Conservation Forum and Tour.

DO YOU HAVE A CONSERVATION HERO? HONOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO CONSERVATION!

It's awards season, and there are numerous opportunities for you to honor your mentors and peers in conservation.

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SHI's initiative to identify and develop widely acceptable soil health measurements, standards, and evaluation. To apply, send a cover letter, CV, list of publications, and four references to [Byron Rath](#) by September 10 with "Project Manager" in the email subject line.

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BREAKOUT SESSION SUBMISSION PERIOD ABOUT TO CLOSE...



Now is the time to submit your breakout session proposals for NACD's 2018 Annual Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee! Breakout sessions – to be held in the afternoon on Monday, January 29 and Tuesday, January 30 – are a fantastic opportunity for you to present on meaningful and relevant topics that help build capacity and connections within our conservation family.

In 2018, each breakout session will be categorized into one of four tracks: (1) communications, (2) district operations, member services, and partnerships; (3) natural resources policy and protection; and (4) stewardship and education. In order to speak as a breakout presenter, you'll need to fill out the application [available here on NACD's website](#) and [email it to NACD Northeast Representative and Policy Specialist Eric Hansen](#) by **September 1**.

Back to school season is here!

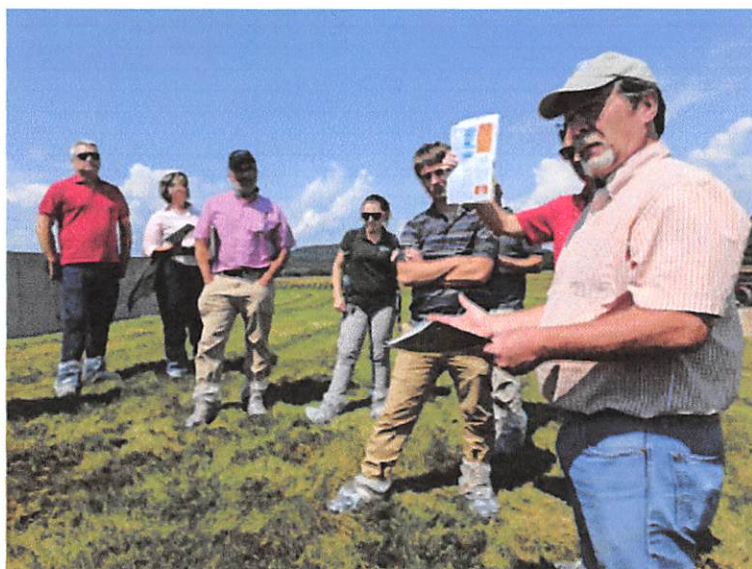
Many students around the nation have already begun their school year, but it's never too late to stock up on supplies! Stop by NACD's Marketplace, where you can download free educational materials, customizable wearables, and much more by [clicking here](#).

Deadline approaching to cast your vote for NACD awards

NACD's Annual Awards Program recognizes individuals and organizations for their outstanding work and leadership in soil and water conservation. The 2017 winners of the NACD Friend of Conservation Award and the NACD Distinguished Service Award will be recognized at a ceremony held in their honor at [NACD's 2018 Annual Meeting](#) in Nashville, Tennessee, in January.

You can still submit your nominations and any questions you may have to awards@email.nacdnet.org by **August 31**. The award descriptions and necessary submission forms are [available here on NACD's website](#).

NORTHEAST REGION MEETING HONORS AND INFORMS CONSERVATION LEADERS



Last week, more than 130 people from the 12 Northeastern states gathered in Burlington, Vermont, for NACD's Northeast Region Meeting. Participants were treated to a packed agenda, including keynotes from Brandeis University's Brian Donahue and former Vermont Agriculture Secretary and NASDA President Chuck Ross. Several panel discussions dove into conservation policy and the various roles of districts, including soil and water quality and green stormwater infrastructure.

NACD's Northeast Representative and Policy Specialist Eric Hansen moderated a plenary panel on the various regulatory and enforcement activities in which some districts are involved. In the Northeast, districts are being asked or required to take on greater enforcement roles within their communities, which is a noticeable departure from their more traditional role as a voluntary technical service provider. As more states, like Vermont, are asked to take on these responsibilities, it's critical that state associations and districts share best practices with one another.

Another highlight of the meeting was a dinner cruise on Lake Champlain. During the meal, the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts presented their annual awards. NACD's own Rich Duesterhaus, director of projects and partnerships, was recognized for his

Learn how to use the EPA's new Water Finance Clearinghouse

The EPA's new [Water Finance Clearinghouse](#) features two searchable data sets all online. One is focused on available federal, state, and local funding sources for water infrastructure, including stormwater and green infrastructure. The other contains reports, tools, webinars and more on mechanisms and approaches to financing. Conservation districts are listed as one of the "eligible applicants" sort categories. You can learn how to navigate the Clearinghouse during one of two [EPA webinars](#) on August 24 or 31 at 2:00-3:00pm Eastern.

Conservation job opening in Iowa

Buena Vista County in Iowa is looking to hire a watershed project coordinator to implement an Iowa Watershed Approach program for the North Raccoon watershed. The project will address flood reduction, nutrient loading, sedimentation, and other hydrologic, soil conservation, and water quality issues in the watershed.

The [position requirements can be found here](#), and more information about the [Iowa Watershed Approach program can be found here](#). To apply, submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and three professional references via email to [Dale Arends](#).

Calling all female woodland owners!

longtime commitment to conservation districts and the conservation movement.

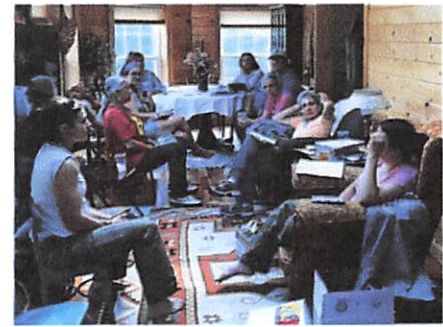
MINNESOTA GOVERNOR SITS DOWN WITH SWCDs, PRODUCERS ON WATER QUALITY

Minnesota SWCDs are contributing to water policy discussions with the state's governor, Mark Dayton, in "water town halls" this summer, held in part to build support for the governor's plan to reduce water pollution by 25 percent by 2025.

One of the attendees of the second town hall, Mapleton corn and soybean farmer Steve Trio, told the governor he's taken personal responsibility for how agricultural production has impacted the Cobb River, even going as far as installing buffers, conducting soil tests, and adding a containment system around his fuel tanks long before it was required.

"The thing is, we all gotta dig into this thing, farmers included," Trio said [in a story published by the Mankato Free Press](#). When Governor Dayton asked Trio's advice on getting all farmers on board, Trio told him to let farmers work with their soil and water conservation districts.

The Minnesota Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts' President Kurt Beckstrom, who was present at the Mankato meeting where Trio spoke, "encourage(d) the SWCD citizen board members to attend the remaining town hall meetings and share their insight on addressing the water quality, soil health, and forestry issues in your district."



The Sustaining Family Forests Initiative – a partnership between Yale School of Forestry and the U.S. Forest Service – is holding a workshop on how to engage female woodland owners from October 10 to 13, 2017 at Briarcliff Manor, New York.

This workshop is FREE and includes all meals, lodging, and some travel assistance, but you've got to apply **by Friday, August 25**. Those that attend will: (1) learn outreach methods for targeting women landowners using existing landowner data, (2) develop strategies for creating and sustaining programming for women landowners, and (3) share challenges and craft solutions with support from peers and experts.

To apply, send cassidy.dellorto-blackwell@yale.edu one- to two-sentence responses to the following questions: (1) a description of how you expect to use what you learn in this workshop, (2) an explanation of your experience with women woodland owner programs (none required), (3) a statement from your management indicating their support of your participation, and (4) a description of the travel assistance needed to attend, if applicable.

**Today is the last day to
reserve your hotel room
for CTIC tour**



NACD THANKS TOM TIDWELL FOR SERVICE, WELCOMES NEW CHIEF TONY TOOKE

Last Friday, the Chief of the U.S. Forest Service Tom Tidwell announced his retirement after 40 years of service to the agency. Tony Tooke, who is currently serving as the Regional Forester for the Southern Region, will succeed Tidwell starting September 1.

"NACD congratulates Chief Tidwell on his many years of dedicated service and is grateful for all he has accomplished as a friend of conservation," NACD CEO Jeremy Peters said. "We look forward to working with Chief Tooke in his new role to address barriers to forest health nationwide, and to ensure conservation districts play a role in both public and private lands conservation."

Tooke has worked for the Forest Service since he was 18 years old. Prior to becoming a Regional Forester, he was the Associate Deputy Chief for the National Forest System (NFS), Director for Ecosystem Management Coordination, Deputy Director for Economic Recovery, and Assistant Director for Forest Management.

"Tony has been preparing for this role for his whole professional life, and at a time when we face active and growing fires, his transition into leadership will be seamless... His focus will be on ensuring we are good neighbors and are managing our forests effectively, efficiently, and responsibly, as well as working with states and local governments to ensure the utmost



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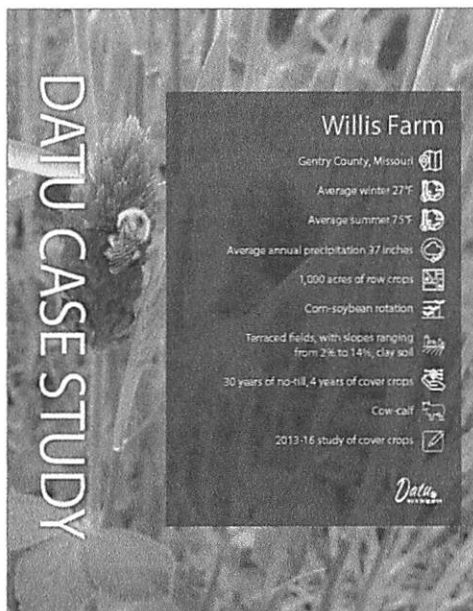




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NACD, DATU RESEARCH RELEASE CASE STUDIES ON THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF SOIL HEALTH PRACTICES



Research conducted by NACD and Datu Research has found that corn and soybean farmers who use cover crops and/or no-till can improve their bottom lines by over \$100 per acre ([read the full press release here](#)).

You can read about the economic and

soil health benefits of using these conservation practices in [four case studies now available on NACD's website](#).

Each case study includes year-to-year budget data, as well as real farmer insights on why and how to use no-till and cover crops. Among other valuable takeaways, the study revealed that by using soil health practices farmers can:

- Cut fertilizer costs by up to \$50 per acre;
- Cut erosion repair costs by up to \$16 per acre; and
- Increase yields by up to \$76 per acre.

You can read more about the Iowa, Missouri, and Illinois farmers who participated in this three-year study [on](#)

NACD offices will be closed for Labor Day

NACD offices will be closed Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day. Have a wonderful holiday weekend!

NACD welcomes fall intern



NACD's fall intern is Edward Hutschenreuter from Alden, New York. Edward is a senior at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo studying political science. He says his passion for environmental conservation is rooted in his small-town upbringing and always being outside. Edward enjoys studying Spanish and was fortunate enough to spend a month in Peru this past summer studying and traveling. He aspires to attend law school for environmental law. To learn more about Edward, check out his [first post to NACD's blog](#). He can be reached by email at intern@nacdn.net.

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DID YOU KNOW?



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

A TEAM OF FIVE NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO PROMOTE MODERN CONSERVATION PLANNING

NACD is a partner in the **National Conservation Planning Partnership**, along with NRCS, the National Association of State Conservation Agencies (NASCA), the



National Conservation District Employees Association (NCDEA), and the National Association of Resource Conservation and Development Councils (NARC&DC).

Did you know that NCPP has developed a strategy that ensures conservation field staff have the right expertise, are stationed in the right locations, and have enough time to work one-on-one with our diverse customer base? [Read more of this month's Did You Know feature on NACD's blog.](#)

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NACD AWARD NOMINATIONS THIS THURSDAY

Mark your calendar: Small farming operations webinar tomorrow

NRCS is hosting a webinar tomorrow, August 30, at 2:00pm Eastern on small farm assistance. Participants will hear about strategies and techniques to address the needs of small farming operations, including building client and partner relationships. This webinar is the first of the Small Farm Assistance webinar series. No registration is required, [click here](#) to join.

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Conservation job opening in Indiana

The St. Joseph County Soil and Water Conservation District in Plymouth, Indiana, is seeking to hire an environmental education coordinator to provide environmental education to school organizations and coordinate related programs. [Click here to view the full job description and apply](#).

Chinese delegation visits with NACD on soil health initiatives



Land purchase will help Washington district expand holding nursery

A former gravel quarry will soon serve as the new home for Spokane Conservation District, and with it comes more than 17 acres of Pruden State Park that the district hopes will provide educational opportunities to local residents and visitors. [Read more](#)

Tooke named new USFS Chief

Service The Forests in the Face Bill Coalition (FFBC) released its 2017 Forest Bill recommendations on Sept. 1. The National Association of Conservation Districts has been an active participant in the coalition's recommendations, serving as one of the coalition's working groups to ensure that NACD's policies and principles were included. U.S. Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell announced his retirement in August after 40 years of service to the agency. Tom Tidwell, who is currently serving as the regional director for the Southern Region, will succeed Tidwell starting September 1.

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A group of Chinese biology professors and college deans met with NACD Director of Projects and Partnerships Rich Duesterhaus and Director of Communications Whitney Forman-Cook last week to discuss the United States' approach to natural resources conservation and soil health advocacy.

The 21-person delegation hailed from Jiangnan University, where more than 15,000 students study annually. NACD's presentation was the group's last stop before returning to Wuhan, the capitol of Hubei, China.

The weekly eResource and Conservation Clip List are popular favorites that give our members and partners the top headlines in conservation news on Tuesdays and Fridays. For more comprehensive and detailed stories, check out our quarterly electronic magazine The Resource.

Do you keep up-to-date with [NACD's blog](#)? New stories are posted several times a week. Whatever your news needs, NACD has you covered!

FOR YOUR CALENDAR: UPCOMING WEBINAR ON MITIGATING STORMS

Across the country, weather events are causing short- and long-term damage. In the next NACD Urban and Community Conservation webinar, scheduled for noon to 1:00pm Eastern on September 21, we will look at what can be done at the local level to help reduce and repair the impact of storms.

Landscape architect Bruce Jacobson will share his planning and design experience working with individuals and communities on urban parks, public spaces, and private gardens in the Twin Cities metro area. Staff at the Ramsey Conservation District will also present on the district's long-term goal to "Adapt to Climate Variabilities and Minimize Flooding."

These free webinars, held on the third Thursday of each

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month, are sponsored by The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company in partnership with the NACD Urban and Community Resource Policy Group. To register, email NACD's Deb Bogar at deb-bogar@nacdnet.org with your name, title, district or business name, and state.

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REGISTRATION FOR NACD'S 2018 ANNUAL MEETING IS OPEN!

Registration has opened for NACD's 72nd Annual Meeting to be held January 27 - 31, 2018 in Nashville!



We have an action-packed agenda planned for you, complete with a line-up of invited speakers from influential agencies and organizations in conservation, agriculture, and forestry.

In addition to the Monday and Tuesday general sessions, the Leadership Luncheon, and Tuesday night's Appreciation Banquet, our 2018 meeting in Nashville will feature EIGHT tours, a large Conservation Expo and Expo Stage, and the ever-popular NACD Live Auction.

...Registering to attend the meeting is easy – just [click here to log in](#) to your NACD online account. If you've attended an NACD meeting in the past, you already have an account, but you may need to reset your password.

By registering online, you'll receive a \$15 discount! You can also head to our [annual meeting webpage](#) to register and find information on how to book your hotel room at

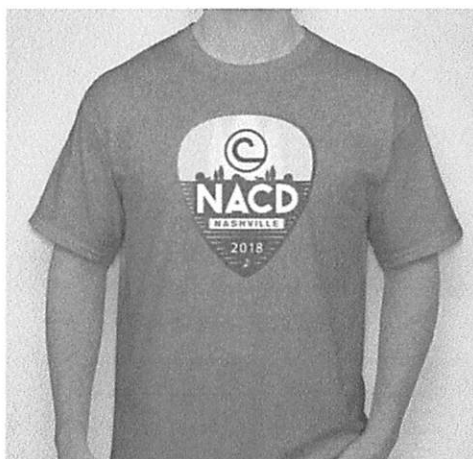
First-timer scholarships available for NACD's 2018 Annual Meeting!



If you haven't attended an NACD annual meeting in the past, you may be eligible for a first-timer scholarship! Thanks to the generous support of Agri Drain, NACD will once again be offering first-timers complimentary meeting registration and a ticket to Tuesday night's Appreciation Banquet. Only one person per state or territory may receive a scholarship, and chosen individuals must stay in the NACD room block at the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center.

Once a state or territory association selects a scholarship recipient in cooperation with their NACD board member, they are asked to send the recipient's name and email address to NACD Director of Membership [Kimberly Uldricks](#) to complete their registration. Please DO NOT ask your recipient to register online.

the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center with NACD's special discount price of \$199 a night.



P.S. Don't forget to buy your 2018 Annual Meeting t-shirt! These 100% cotton t-shirts are available in adult small to 4XL sizes and can be ordered until December 30. Please note that your t-shirt(s) will be

available for pick-up in the Conservation Expo Hall when you arrive in Nashville for the meeting.

STATE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS MEET IN SALT LAKE CITY

Last week, the Utah Association of Conservation Districts (UACD) hosted the nation's state association executive directors in Salt Lake City for their annual conference.

This year, attendees discussed aspects of association management and marketing, grant writing, conservation policy, and NACD district services with the following speakers: NACD Director of Government Affairs Coleman Garrison, UACD Executive Director Chris Kane, Wyoming Association of Conservation Districts Executive Director Bobbie Frank, The Nature Conservancy, and NACD North Central Representative Beth Mason.



Roundtable discussions and informal networking

Joint Forestry Team funding opportunity

The Forest Service and NRCS are accepting proposals for 2018 funding through the Joint Chiefs' Landscape Restoration Partnership. Proposals will be selected based on their capacity to measurably improve the health and resiliency of forest and rangeland ecosystems while contributing community benefits.

All projects will be completed within a three-year period and leverage technical and financial resources between federal, state, and local agencies and other partners to complete on-the-ground work across jurisdictional boundaries.

Proposals must be submitted electronically by **October 17** to Luther Jones at luther.jones@wdc.usda.gov and Clint Cross at Clintcross@fs.fed.us. A template proposal is available [here on the JFT website](#).

Upcoming webinar: Tools for trees – Better stormwater management and livability

On Wednesday, September 13, 2:00-3:00pm Eastern, join national experts in green infrastructure design for an intro to an exciting, new web-based tool - developed by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Council of Governments and the U.S. Forest Service - that enables strategic placement of trees to improve stormwater management.

Attendees will also receive a link to download free bonus content

throughout the conference offered the executive directors the opportunity to compare associations, programs, funding sources, and conservation issues which will assist them as they return to their state refreshed and energized to continue moving their respective associations in a positive direction.

Local tours highlighted conservation education at the Jordan Valley Conservation Garden Park and the local Petersen Family Farm, which specializes in agritourism. For more photos from the meeting, [check out NACD's Flickr](#).

PRESIDENT TRUMP NOMINATES IOWA AG SECRETARY TO HEAD USDA MISSION AREA



Last Friday, President Donald Trump nominated Bill Northey, the current agriculture secretary for the state of Iowa, to lead USDA's newly created Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC) mission area. Mr. Northey, who served eight years as a commissioner for the Dickinson County Soil and Water Conservation District in Iowa, spoke to nearly 500 conservationists during NACD's Summer Conservation Forum in Des Moines this July about the importance of partnerships and telling our story.

In a press release, U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue said he looked forward to the confirmation of Mr. Northey and urged the Senate to take up his nomination "as quickly as possible." If confirmed, Mr. Northey would

from the National Recreation and Park Association: *Resources Guide for Green Infrastructure for Parks and Public Lands*. This is a free webinar, but pre-registration is required.

Conservation job opening in New York

Cortland County Soil and Water Conservation District in New York is looking to hire two full-time permanent employees: a natural resource conservationist (Certified Planner preferred) and a water quality specialist (Licensed Professional Engineer preferred). Both job descriptions are available [here on the district's website](#).

#ValueWater campaign picks up steam

Investing in water infrastructure would create over \$200 billion in economic activity.

Imagine a Day Without Water
October 12, 2017 | #ValueWater

The Value of Water Campaign, organized by the U.S. Water Alliance, is designed to educate the nation about the need for renewed investment in water infrastructure. This is done through research, polls, and special events all available [here on the campaign's website](#).

This year's "Imagine a Day Without Water" is scheduled for October 12. Like last year, hundreds of organizations will engage their members to advocate the importance of water infrastructure (including green infrastructure) leading up to and

oversee the NRCS, Farm Service Agency, and the Risk Management Agency.

“Bill Northey will continue his honorable record of public service in leading FPAC,” Secretary Perdue said. “Having served the people of Iowa for the last ten years as their Secretary of Agriculture, and as a fourth-generation corn and soybean farmer, Bill has a unique understanding of issues facing farmers across the nation. He will be an invaluable member of the team.”



CHAMPION OF THE MONTH

MIKE TAYLOR AND MICHAEL TAYLOR, JR. OF PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS



Mike Taylor and his wife B.J. farm a delta row crop operation called Long Lake Plantation with their son Michael, daughter-in-law Laura, and grandchildren Merrie Leigh and Wells. The Taylor Family has been farming in Phillips County, Arkansas, since the late 1930s.

Over the years, the Taylors have taken a cotton operation to a more diverse operation which includes corn, soybeans, peanuts, and cows. In the early 1990s, the Taylors started integrating the use of cover crops to combat soil erosion. Today, cover crops are a key part of their operation.

Since the Taylors have been using cover crops on their farm, they have discovered improved soil quality and increased water and nutrient retention in their soils. With the use of cover crops on almost every acre, the operation has eased into almost completely no-till.

To read more about Mike Taylor, his son Michael, and their operation, be sure to visit [their profile](#) at the NACD

on the day of the event. Districts can learn more about participating in this campaign and how to download ready-to-use social media materials [by clicking here](#).

Rolling deadline to honor past conservation leaders

Through NACD's [Hall of Distinction](#), state and territory associations can recognize current and past conservation leaders for their extraordinary work to advance conservation at the national level. In making their inductions, states and territories are asked to send some information ([requirements are available here](#)) to NACD via [this online form](#).

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website along with many other Soil Health Champions. If you or someone you know is interested 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@nacdnet.org or 317-946-4463 for more information.

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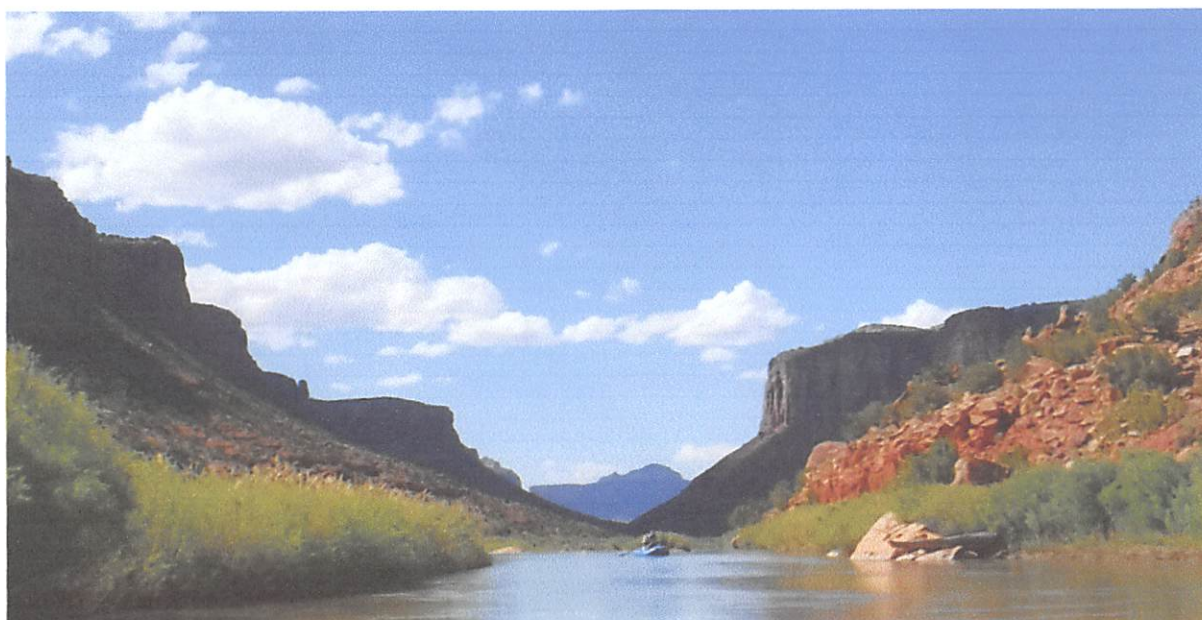
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Taking advantage of rare boatable flows on the Dolores River in southwest Colorado in Spring 2017 © Nicole Seltzer

**New Project Supports Stream
Management Planning in Colorado**

**LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT
OPPORTUNITIES**

River Network, with support from the Colorado Water Conservation Board, the Gates Family Foundation and the Nature Conservancy, is leading a two-year project to expand the number of local coalitions in Colorado that are interested, ready and capable of undertaking Stream Management Plans under the state's water plan.

The Colorado Water Plan, adopted in 2016, sets forth a water management roadmap to address projected water supply shortfalls and balance the goals of achieving a productive economy, vibrant and sustainable cities, productive agriculture, a strong environment, and a robust recreation industry. Specific to protecting and enhancing stream flows, the plan calls for 80 percent of locally prioritized rivers to be covered by Stream Management Plans by 2030.

Precipitation in Colorado is expected to shrink due to climate change, while the state's population is projected to double by 2060. Tourism, including rafting and fishing, is a major economic driver in large swaths of the state. But while many communities have an economic interest in maintaining healthy rivers few have developed strategies to comprehensively protect streamflows.

Bringing local stakeholders together to reach agreement on stream management

Aug. 17, 2017 (1-2:30pm EST) - Webinar with Resource Media: Using Communications to Put a Face on the Federal Budget Cuts. [Register here >](#)

Aug. 23, 2017 (3-4pm EST) - EPA Webinar: National Stormwater Calculator. [Register here >](#)

Sept. 13, 2017 (2-3:30pm EST) - Webinar: Net Blue. Can communities grow without consuming more water? Join us for a webinar to learn how the Net Blue approach works and how it could be applied in your community. [Learn more >](#)

Sept. 26, 2017 (1-2pm EST) - Webinar: Anti-Littering: Social Marketing for Behavior Change. [Register here >](#)

Did you miss our 2-part webinar series on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion? [Watch the recordings >](#)

River Rally 2018 Call for Workshop Proposals - Propose a 90-minute or 25-minute workshop. Submission Deadline: October 1, 2017. [Learn more >](#)

River Rally 2017 Plenary Videos! Watch (and share) the incredible plenaries from River Rally 2017 on YouTube.

- [Affordability, Equity, and Drinking Water](#)
- [Rethinking Our Relationship to Urban Rivers](#)

plans will be challenging. But more communities are ready to take action. We are ready to help.

- [Lessons from Standing Rock and Beyond](#)

[Learn more >](#)



August 21, 2017 - Share your #WatersInTheDarkness. Will you be in the path of the upcoming solar eclipse? Share this once-in-a-lifetime experience with your fellow river and water champions. Take a photo of your favorite body of water during the eclipse, and post it on our [#WatersInTheDarkness story map >](#)



Members of the Urban Flooding & Equity for Vulnerable Communities Collaborative met in Atlanta.

Earlier this year, River Network launched the Urban Flooding & Equity for Vulnerable Communities Collaborative to help catalyze the level of civic engagement needed to address the type of localized urban flooding we expect will increase as a result of climate change. In June, representatives of seven organizations working in Atlanta, Albuquerque, Denver, Providence (RI) and Washington County (OR) met in Atlanta to discuss ways to deepen their community engagement efforts and establish stronger working relations with utilities and decision-makers in the water sector. This project is funded by The Kresge Foundation.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sign the letter urging EPA to #ProtectCleanWater - The Clean Water For All national campaign has extended the deadline to [sign on to this letter](#) that will be sent to EPA Administrator Pruitt. The new deadline is **August 9**.

Comment on the Clean Water Rule Repeal - The comment period for "reviewing and rescinding

Finalists Announced for 2017 Thiess International Riverprize - The four finalists include the Nushagak and Kvichak Rivers (Alaska), and the San Antonio River (Texas). [Read more >](#)

Climate Change Caused 'River Piracy' - Scientists documented how a melting glacier in Canada's Yukon has caused a river to

or revising the Clean Water Rule" is finally open. The deadline is **August 28**. We encourage you to submit comments through [this online forum](#).

THANKS to all who donated to River Network's match campaign, we met our goal of \$20,000 to help river and water champions!

completely change course in one one season. [Read more >](#)

Sustainability Goes Mainstream

- Anheuser-Busch is among the corporations investing more in conservation, including water-focused work around World Environment Day. [Read more >](#)

MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS BENEFITS

River Network provides our Members with the tools, resources, and connections they need to be effective stewards of our rivers and water resources. Here's one of the ways you can benefit from becoming an organizational, professional or student member:

Discounts on Equipment and Outside Services

- 25% – 60% off outdoor equipment and apparel through [expertcity.com](#)
- 20% off water quality monitoring products from Global Water Instrumentation, Inc
- 57% off subscription to Orion Magazine
- 25% off subscription to the Grassroots Fundraising Journal

For the full list of discounts and other member benefits, [click here](#).

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RIVER NETWORK MEMBER OF THE MONTH



CFWE's programs, like their Rain Barrel Workshop, connect Coloradans to their water so they can make informed water resource decisions. © CFWE

Colorado Foundation for Water Education (CFWE)

For the past 15 years, the Colorado Foundation for Water Education has played a critical role in increasing awareness of our water supplies and their inherent challenges, while providing comprehensive education and professional development programs to help people understand water's complexities and trade-offs so they can make informed decisions. CFWE promotes better understanding of Colorado's water resources and issues by providing balanced and accurate

WHY THEY'RE MEMBERS:

"CFWE's [membership] allowed us to host a workshop for Denver residents and their families to learn about Colorado water law and build their very own rain barrels. This partnership helped CFWE achieve our mission of connecting Coloradans to their water and increasing their understanding of water's complexities so they can make informed decisions."

- Jennie Guerts, Director of Operations

information and education that
incorporates diverse perspectives.



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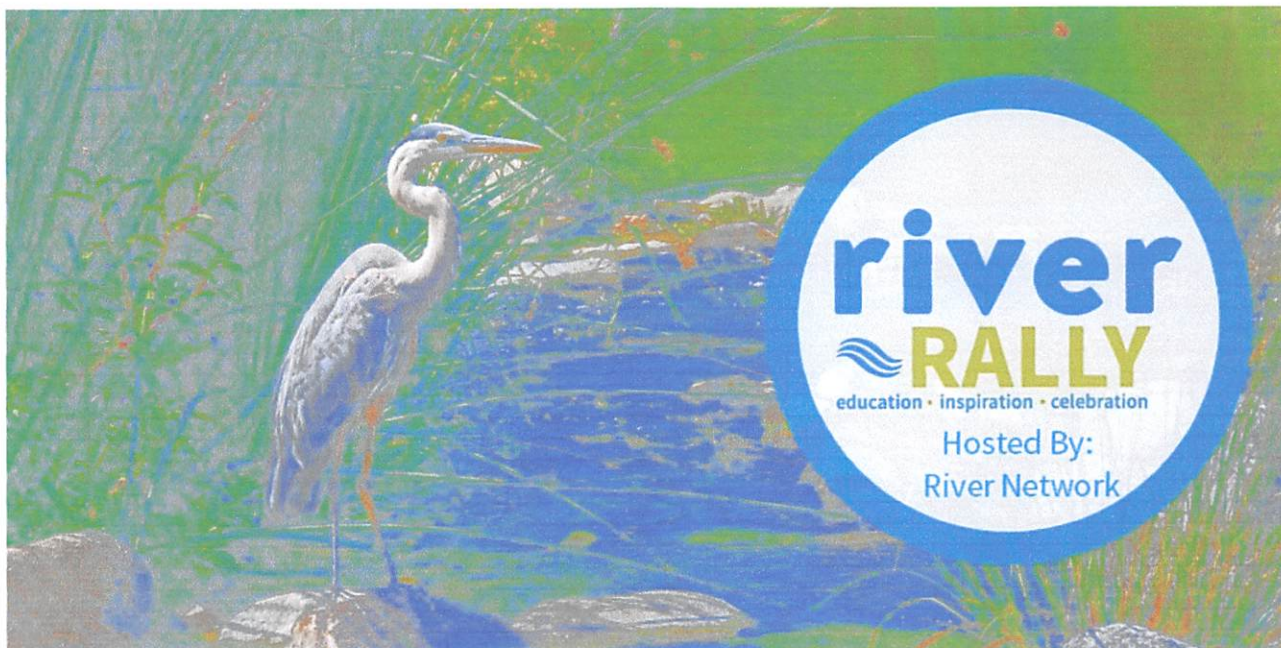
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River Rally 2018 | April 29 – May 2 | Olympic Valley, CA

Call for Workshop Proposals

Do you have a proven approach or innovation that could help achieve healthy rivers and engage communities in solving water problems? Can you lead a workshop that will transfer lessons learned, includes a combination of instruction and hands-on skill building, and will give participants new knowledge they can apply to their work? Then you should be a River Rally workshop presenter!

We invite you to submit a proposed River Rally 2018 workshop that relates to one or more of the following themes:

1. Reconnecting to Rivers Through Restoration and Recreation
2. Mobilizing For Change Through Policy, Advocacy, and Civic Engagement
3. Making Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity Real
4. Expanding Impact Through Science, Technology, and Monitoring
5. Sustaining Strong Leaders, Organizations and Coalitions

Learn more about the themes, different workshop formats, and submit your proposal [here](#). Submissions will be accepted through October 1st, 2017.

Learn More

New This Year: Field Trip Proposals

Local organizations that can highlight recreational opportunities and restoration efforts happening in and around Lake Tahoe are invited to submit proposals for River Rally 2018 field trips.

In addition to providing Rally attendees with a much-needed brain break, field trips allow participants to experience practical application of work supporting topics discussed in conference workshops, explore and appreciate the beauty of the unique local environment, and network with other attendees. Field trip proposals will be accepted through November 1st, 2017.



ABOUT RIVER RALLY

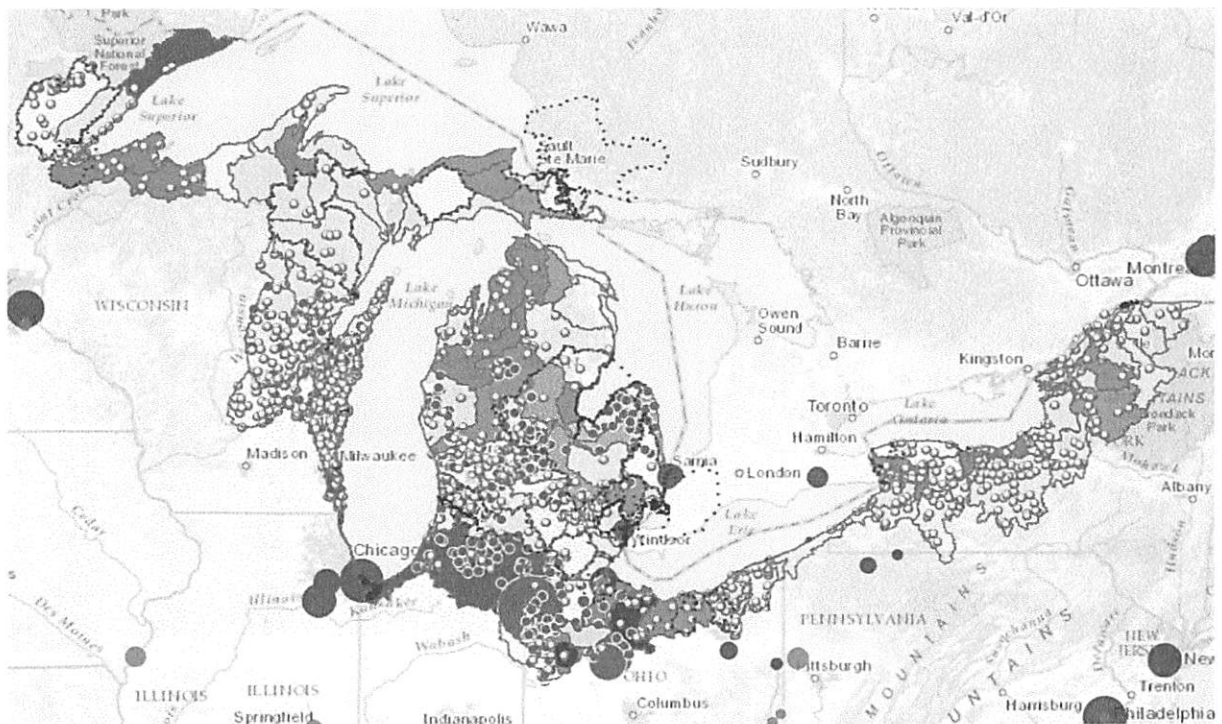
River Rally, hosted annually by River Network, is a national conference for river and water champions. Unique in its focus on providing practical education, inspiring courage, and celebrating achievements, River Rally brings together hundreds of people from across the country and the world who care about rivers and water issues. Join NGO staff and volunteers, academics, agency and foundation representatives, industry innovators, and community leaders for the biggest and most fun water-focused event of the year!



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UPDATES ON OUR WORK



**New Great Lakes Map Overlays
Organizational Capacity With**

**LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT
OPPORTUNITIES**

Threats to Water

River Network has wrapped up a two-year organizational assessment project in the Great Lakes region with the goal of increasing the effectiveness and collective impact of groups on the ground. The project results are now displayed on an interactive map and have shaped River Network's plans to increase our public engagement training and support.

Through our research, we witnessed an evolution and increase in community-based advocacy, activism, and grassroots civic engagement. Mapping out our assessment data has enabled us to identify Great Lakes watersheds that are experiencing significant or multiple threats and where organizations are most in need of capacity building assistance and support.

Check out the map! Are you a non-profit, funder, agency or individual interested in threats to the Great Lakes and non-profit capacity to address those threats? We created this map for you too!

[Learn more >](#)

Call for River Rally 2018 Workshop and Field Trip Proposals - Deadline: October 1, 2017. [Learn more >](#)

Sept. 13, 2017 (2-3:30pm EST) - Webinar: New Frontiers in Water Efficiency: Integrated Land Use and Water Supply Decisions. [Register here >](#)

Sept. 14, 2017 (1-2:30pm EST) - Webinar: Crowdsourcing Water Quality Data through Mobile Apps. [Register here >](#)

Sept. 26, 2017 (1-2pm EST) - Webinar: Anti-Littering: Social Marketing for Behavior Change. [Register here >](#)

Sept. 26, 2017 (1-2pm EST) - Webinar: Source Water Protection: What It Is and How to Fund It. [Register here >](#)

Did you miss our 2-part webinar series on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion? [Watch the recordings >](#)



Present a Workshop at River Rally 2018 - Proposals Due October 1st!

For River Rally each year, we work hard to develop a program that delivers rich content and engaging speakers in a supportive atmosphere that is conducive to effective education. Part of that process is to solicit and review workshop proposals and select presentations by experts and water champions from across the country that share inspirational success stories, innovative approaches to solving water problems, and tools that engage communities. If you care about water and have practical knowledge, tools, lessons or solutions to share, we invite you to [submit a workshop proposal](#).

[Submit a Workshop Proposal](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS

River Network Welcomes New Mid-Atlantic Leadership Development Manager, Caroline Bott. [Read more >](#)

Clean Water Rule Comment Period Extended to September

We the People of Detroit looks at the health repercussions of the city's water shutoffs. [Read the blog >](#)

New tool allows grant seekers to publicly review foundations to which

27. Submit comments through [this online forum](#).

[Sign the letter urging EPA to #ProtectCleanWater](#). The new deadline is **September 20**.

Science & Technical Resources Portal's New Resources for Monitoring Programs - Check out apps for monitoring and online data sharing portals, and keep checking back for new resources throughout the year! [Check it out >](#)

they apply. [Learn more >](#)

Chattahoochee Riverkeeper to host conference focused on climate change effects in the watershed.

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Women Hunters and Anglers
May Be Conservation's Best Hope.

[Read the story >](#)

RIVER NETWORK MEMBER OF THE MONTH



FoLAR introduces urban youth to environmental stewardship through the largest urban river cleanup in the US. ©

FoLAR

Friends of the Los Angeles River

As the original voice for LA River restoration, Friends of the Los Angeles River's (FoLAR) mission is to ensure a publicly accessible, recreational, and ecologically sustainable Los Angeles River through community engagement, education, advocacy, and thought leadership. Advocating for a swimmable, fishable, boatable Los Angeles River, FoLAR encourages environmental stewardship and a reverence for the natural world with programs and offerings seeking to connect Angelenos with their River. Recently, we successfully advocated for the approval of an 11-mile restoration project (ARBOR) that could provide up to 719 acres of restored riparian habitat in the heart of urban Los Angeles.

WHY THEY'RE MEMBERS:

"Given the complexity of urban river-restoration in this political, social, and changing environmental climate it has been incredibly helpful and essential to be connected to a national network of water and river advocates. To learn lessons from efforts around the country, have access to a wide array of knowledgeable experts, and understand the context of water-stewardship nationwide has made being a member of River Network invaluable."

- Stephen Mejia, Policy & Advocacy
Manager at FoLAR



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River-Science Connection

Do you need extra science or technical capacity, but can't afford more staff? River Network Organizational Members can now post their needs to our science service exchange board, [the River-Science Connection](#). Whether you're looking for volunteer help from a university researcher or student or interested in a staff-exchange with another non-profit, we'll help you find those services by providing guidance and sharing

your postings with our science networks. [Check it out >](#)

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The NACD Forestry RPG explores Deadwood

The NACD Forestry Resource Policy Group (RPG) met in Deadwood, South Dakota, in conjunction with the National Association of State Foresters' (NASF) Forest Resources Management Committee.

The Forestry RPG heard from a variety of presenters during the three-day meeting, including:

- Assistant State Conservationist for Technology Kory Bossert discussed how

Forestry News

Safeguarding sustainability through forest certification mapping [\[link\]](#)

Researchers receive USDA grant to study new riparian buffer strategy [\[link\]](#)

China spent \$100 billion on reforestation. So why does it have 'green deserts'? [\[link\]](#)

You've probably never heard of the deadliest wildfire in US history [\[link\]](#)

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Greenville, South Carolina

August 13-15

[NACD Northeast Region Meeting](#)

Burlington, Vermont

September 11-14

South Dakota NRCS has coordinated outreach with private landowners to educate them about beetle outbreaks. Convincing landowners to cut their trees can be a challenge. "Forest management isn't so much about the forest itself," he said, "it's about convincing people what the forest should look like."

- Tami Moore and Tina DeHaai of the South Dakota Association of Conservation Districts gave a joint presentation on forestry outreach efforts in the state. The state association has helped plant more than 350,000 acres of trees since records first began in 1944, mostly windbreaks. The installations are more diverse today than ever before, protecting structures, wildlife habitat, and enhancing countryside aesthetics. Soil types help to determine each windbreak design. Districts in South Dakota also help install fabric around streambank plantings. It's an income generator and creates a moisture barrier for maximum growth. Moore and DeHaai showed a video of a brush management vehicle local conservation districts use to help landowners manage brush and invasives efficiently.
- Sarah Anderson, program manager for Wyoming's Crook County Natural Resource District, shared how districts in her state work with partners to combat mountain pine beetle and establish a more resilient forest. Wyoming and South Dakota work across state boundaries through the Mountain Pine Beetle Working Group in the Black Hills Region, where Ponderosa Pine has been a perfect host for the pests. According to Anderson, resource managers in the area have experienced better success 'baking' beetles than the more commonly accepted practice of relying on cold weather. "Bringing all of the partners together was not easy," she said, "and conservation districts helped to make those connections and break down the red tape."

Partners from the U.S. Forest Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, National Agroforestry Center, American Forest Foundation, and National Wild Turkey Federation also provided organization updates during the meeting.

During the field tour, attendees visited a number of sites that showcased ways in which conservation districts in South Dakota and Wyoming are working with state forestry agencies to address forest resource concerns.

The Forestry RPG held its annual business meeting on the final day of the conference. The group reviewed progress from its strategic plan and its nationwide conservation district forestry network.

"It's always great to see conservation district forestry in action in some part of the country," Forestry RPG Chairman Steve Hedstrom said. "And we appreciated the opportunity to meet jointly with our state forestry friends and shared partners. It brought many perspectives to this meeting."

NACD supports Farm Bill Coalition recommendations

[NACD Southwest and Pacific Region Meeting](#)

Tucson, Arizona

September 18-21

[NASF Annual Meeting](#)

Charleston, West Virginia

November 15-16

[Partners in Community Forestry Conference](#)

Tulsa, Oklahoma

November 15-19

[SAF Annual Convention](#)

Albuquerque, New Mexico

January 27-31

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Nashville, Tennessee

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The Forests in the Farm Bill Coalition (FIFB) released its 2018 Farm Bill recommendations in mid-July. The National Association of Conservation Districts has been an active participant in the creation of the recommendations, serving on two of the coalition's working groups to ensure that NACD's policies and principles were included.

"The public expects clean air and water, healthy soils, and abundant wildlife habitat and our nation's forest lands certainly provide opportunities to achieve these expectations," NACD President Brent Van Dyke said. "The farm bill is one of the most important pieces of

legislation Congress works on to address our nation's forest lands and landowner needs. Locally-led, voluntary incentive-based conservation works."

The coalition welcomed input from a diverse group of forestry stakeholders in the consensus building process, and NACD is pleased with the recommendations brought forth through this collaborative process.

"These recommendations show the importance of and need for strong forestry programs. This consensus effort highlights the fact that despite differing and diverse perspectives, there are still numerous areas in which the forestry community can come together to provide Congress with a series of policy improvements," NACD CEO Jeremy Peters said.

As Congress continues to work on drafting the next farm bill, NACD will continue to work tirelessly to educate lawmakers on Capitol Hill about the critical importance of locally-led conservation.

[Click here](#) to view the full recommendations.

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Agroforestry conference attracts attendees from a dozen countries

More than 160 agroforestry researchers, technical assistance providers, students, and practitioners shared their research, experience, and insights in June at the 15th annual North American Agroforestry Conference, held in Blacksburg, Virginia. The four-day conference was organized by the Association for Temperate Agroforestry.

The conference hosted more than 100 presentations and 40 poster presentations, and attracted attendees from the U.S., Canada, Mexico, and nine other countries. Attendees visited Virginia Tech agroforestry research and demonstration sites and nearby farms that practice agroforestry.

The conference keynote speakers were Eric Toensmeier, author of *The Carbon Farming Solution*, and Victor Harris, editor of *Minority Landowner Magazine*. In addition, the conference included a policy forum titled “Advancing Agroforestry Policy: Lessons from North America and Europe.” Panelists included National Agroforestry Center Director Susan Stein, Henry de Gooijer of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Ana Isabel Moreno Calles of National Autonomous University of Mexico, and Maria Rosa Mosquera Losada of the European Agroforestry Federation.

Said Stein, “The North American Agroforestry Conference once again provided a unique forum for galvanizing partnerships, research, and technology transfer to advance agroforestry across a broad spectrum of disciplines, management goals, and geographies.”

More information about the conference can be found on the [Association of Temperate Agroforestry website](#).

Forestry Briefs

Iowa - CDI recognizes windbreaks at annual meeting

Conservation Districts of Iowa (CDI) held its 2017 annual meeting in July in conjunction with NACD’s Conservation Forum and Tour. During its annual banquet, CDI recognized several landowners for their use of windbreaks. David and Kathi Goeman of Wright County use a variety of species in their nine-row windbreak to attract wildlife and protect against disease outbreaks. The Goemans rely on sawdust as mulch to maintain soil moisture as an alternative to heavy watering. James and Jean Eischeid also use a variety of tree species and have used tree protectors for their seven-row windbreak in Carroll County. The Drapers in Grundy County were recognized for the shelterbelt that surrounds three sides of the family’s farm. CDI has been recognizing windbreak award winners since 1977.

Montana - District explores proposal to manage federal lands

The Lake County Conservation District is collecting comments on its proposal to give local control for the management of federal lands. The proposal calls for allowing the conservation district to contract with the state to manage Flathead Forest lands adjacent to the 56,000-acre Swan State Forest. The revenues raised through logging those lands would be reinvested in fuel reduction projects in the area on both private and public lands.

District Chairman Jim Simpson said he plans to make a decision in September or October on whether to move forward with the proposal after reviewing all of the comments. Many of the comments he has received thus far have come from outside the area, he said. [Click here](#) to read more.

Maine - Districts sponsor forest stewardship tours

The Waldo County Soil and Water Conservation District and Maine Forest

Service are co-sponsoring a series of short field tours to highlight forest stewardship and conservation practices of private landowners. The free tours are open to landowners, foresters, loggers, and others interested in the stewardship of small woodlands. Dates for the first three tours have been set for July, August, and September. Read the full article [here](#).

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Land purchase will help Washington district expand holding nursery

A former gravel quarry will soon serve as the new home for Spokane Conservation District, and with it comes more than 35 acres of Ponderosa pine that the district hopes will provide educational opportunities to local landowners and partners.

[Read more>>>](#)

Tooke named new USFS Chief

The Forests in the Farm Bill Coalition (FIFB) released its 2018 Farm Bill

Forestry News

Montana's wildfire fund nearly dry as fires continue to rage [\[link\]](#)

Plan to harvest old-growth forest near Ely pits hikers, skiers vs. timber interests [\[link\]](#)

Advocate says biomass energy is the new coal [\[link\]](#)

Study: Urban forests provide more than \$59 million in ecosystem services [\[link\]](#)

Calendar

September 11-14

[NACD Southwest and Pacific Region Meeting](#)

Tucson, Arizona

September 18-21

[NASF Annual Meeting](#)

Charleston, West Virginia

November 15-16



recommendations in mid-July. The National Association of Conservation Districts has been an active participant in the creation of the recommendations, serving on two of the coalition's working groups to ensure that NACD's policies and principles were included.

U.S. Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell announced his retirement in August after 40 years of service to the agency. Tony Tooke, who is currently serving as the regional

forester for the Southern Region, will succeed Tidwell starting September 1.

"NACD congratulates Chief Tidwell on his many years of dedicated service, and is grateful for all he has accomplished as a friend of conservation," NACD CEO Jeremy Peters said. "We look forward to working with Chief Tooke in his new role to address barriers to forest health nationwide, and to ensure conservation districts play a role in both public and private lands conservation."

Tooke has worked for the Forest Service since he was 18 years old. Prior to becoming a Regional Forester, he was the associate deputy chief for the National Forest System (NFS), director for Ecosystem Management Coordination, deputy director for Economic Recovery, and assistant director for Forest Management.

"Tony has been preparing for this role for his whole professional life, and at a time when we face active and growing fires, his transition into leadership will be seamless... His focus will be on ensuring we are good neighbors and are managing our forests effectively, efficiently, and responsibly, as well as working with states and local governments to ensure the utmost collaboration," Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue said.

[Partners in Community Forestry Conference](#)

Tulsa, Oklahoma

November 15-19

[SAF Annual Convention](#)

Albuquerque, New Mexico

January 4-5

[North Central Region Meeting](#)

Grand Rapids, Michigan

January 27-31

[2018 NACD Annual Meeting](#)

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February 14-18

[National Wild Turkey Federation Convention and Sport Show](#)

Nashville, Tennessee

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Forestry Notes Q&A Rebecca Barnard, National Forestry Programs Manager National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF)



As the national forestry programs manager with the National Wild Turkey Federation, Rebecca Barnard provides direction to NWTF's forestry outreach and partnership efforts; serves as a liaison to federal, state, NGO, and for-profit forestry organizations; and promotes active forest management to internal and external audiences. Prior to

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November 2013, she served as the forest certification coordinator for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Barnard recently sat down with NACD to discuss a number of NWTF initiatives and how it helps promote forest management. [Read more>>>](#)

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AFF President pens “Supporting our Forests through the Farm Bill” for NACD’s The Resource

The summer edition of The Resource includes a guest column from American Forest Foundation (AFF) President Tom Martin about the importance of protecting forestry programs through the Farm Bill. AFF and NACD were both active partners in the Forests in the Farm Bill Coalition this summer.

In his column, Martin writes, “We work in partnership with NACD at both the federal level and on the ground to move the needle on some of our biggest forest health challenges like wildfire, insect epidemics, forest conversion and more, in order to protect our vital forest resources.”

The summer edition also includes columns from NACD President Brent Van Dyke and CEO Jeremy Peters; a feature story on the progress 42 conservation districts have made in increasing technical assistance capacity for urban agriculture; recaps of NACD’s summer and region meetings and the Leadership Symposium hosted in Lincoln; and three stories spotlighting districts in Massachusetts, Arkansas, and Kentucky.

To read and/or download the summer Resource, [click here](#).

Forestry Briefs

Montana - District partnership with USFW helps ranchers following fire

Thousands of cattle displaced by the 270,200-acre Lodgepole Complex fire were relocated to the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge, thanks in large part to an arrangement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS).

Cattle will be allowed to stay on the refuge until November 1. The stay guarantees thousands of calves won’t be sold early at discounted rates that could break a ranch budget. Many locals are grateful for FWS’ assistance, including Dean Rogge, farmer/rancher and board member for the Garfield County Conservation District.

“They’re our heroes today,” Rogge told the Billings Gazette. “We’re just thankful the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service came to our aid.” Rogge also said the conservation district has spent years developing a partnership with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. That relationship helped open up CMR grass to ranchers in a hurry. [Click here](#) to read more.

Maine - SWCD hosts low impact forestry workshop

The Piscataquis County Soil and Water Conservation District has partnered with the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association to host an "Introduction to Low Impact Forestry" workshop this summer. The workshop is designed for stewards of small or large woodlots who are interested in safely developing a set of skills to cut and harvest wood products in an ecologically sound tradition. Topics will include silviculture, woodland ecology, soils, tree identification, an overview of logging equipment, legal considerations of forestry activities, minimizing residual stand damage, and creating management plans. Registration is \$50 and includes a catered lunch. [Click here](#) to read the full story.

Oregon - District assists Forest Service with riparian restoration project

Forest Service biologists have joined forces with the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs, Oregon Natural Desert Association, Grant Soil and Water Conservation District, private landowners, and livestock permittees to restore riparian systems within East Fork Beech Creek. To accelerate fish habitat recovery efforts and eventually get fish species delisted, the Forest Service and partners are targeting streams that provide critical habitat on the Malheur National Forest. Read the full article [here](#).

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Kevin's Corner

Here are some quick updates.....

- **Marijuana** – The Board of Supervisors has decided to take the first steps (with many steps to follow) towards regulating and taxing marijuana cultivation and sales. This follows the 2016 vote whereby Riverside County voters (and voters across California) approved the legalization of adult use of marijuana and regulation, licensing and taxation of cannabis related businesses. The Board action kicks off the drafting of a future ordinance that will limit cultivation and retail sales to certain land-use zones in unincorporated communities. If the Board passes an ordinance, all voters in Riverside County will have the final say and be asked in late 2018 to approve taxation of cultivation and sales in order to recover costs associated with regulating the industry. Today the county is spending significant sums of tax dollars to cite and shut down illegal operators – who unlike any other business – pay no taxes and find ways to re-open at a new location under a new name.
- In case you had not heard, my office has a vacancy on the nine member Riverside County Fair Board (National Date Festival). It is a four year term, with no pay, but your travel expenses are reimbursed. The Fair Board generally meets quarterly – but the workload increases as the annual fair approaches and occurs in February. Meetings are typically held at the Indio Fairgrounds. Applicants should reside in the First District. If you are interested in applying please visit http://www.rivcodistrict1.org/opencms/Boards_Commissions/Application.html for the application or call our office at 951-955-1010.
- For those of you who have been considering the installation of a PACE/HERO financed solar system or perhaps other energy saving systems that are charged and applied to your property taxes, I encourage you to please do your homework and make sure this type of financing arrangement will work for you. The Wall Street Journal recently had an article very critical of the program and the increasing defaults that are occurring in Riverside County (and many other areas). <https://www.wsj.com/articles/more-borrowers-are-defaulting-on-their-green-pace-loans-1502789401>
- Residents along the Cleveland National Forest in the Lake Elsinore and Temescal Valleys were recently surprised to learn that an old and previously thought dead application to build a hydro-electric generation plant in the national forest above Lake Elsinore is being resurrected. In addition to the proposed construction of an upper reservoir, lower pumping stations and massive pipes to convey the water up and down, the project also calls for the construction of high-voltage power lines and towers to be strung across the face of the national forest from San Diego County past Lake Elsinore and through the Temescal Valley. On Tuesday, August 29, the Board of Supervisors supported my request to oppose the speculative project because of its potential adverse impacts on the nearby residents, the lake water quality and environmental concerns.

As always, I welcome your comments, suggestions and input.

Respectfully,

Kevin Jeffries

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County Boards and Commissions Appointee Profile

Each month, the Jeffries Journal highlights some of the Supervisor's nearly 100 appointees on Boards and Commissions in the county, to provide an insight into the kind of service opportunities that exist, and the people who have chosen to serve.

District #1 Riverside County Flood Control Cris Gibson, Commissioner



(Cris Gibson pictured in the green shirt)

As your newly appointed Zone 3 Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Commissioner, I am excited to be able to assist the community that has done so much to help me mature into the person that I am today. I am also proud to be able to follow in my father's footsteps as he taught me at a very early age how important it is to be involved in the community that we live in.

On August 3, 2017, I was able to tour our Zone and the multitude of projects that are underway. Thank you to Jason Uhley, General Manager-Chief Engineer, Claudio Padres, Chief of Design & Construction, and Mike Wong, Engineering Project Manager, for taking time out of their busy day to show me around.

I was able to observe the locations of numerous projects such as the Arroyo Del Toro Channel, Baker Pond, Gunnerson Pond, Leach Canyon Dam, Lakeland Village Adelpha Channel and Bundy Canyon Road Storm Drain.

The Arroyo Del Toro Channel project is located adjacent to the 15 Freeway and the Lake Elsinore Cemetery and continues to the intersections of Collier and Riverside Ave. The project installed approximately 2,775 feet of underground piping and box culverts and 1,325 feet of open channels. The Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District has partnered with the City of Lake Elsinore, Caltrans and the Elsinore Valley Cemetery District to complete this project estimated to cost \$5.1 million.

The Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District is also working with Lake Elsinore High School regarding issues of flooding and silt build up at their facilities.

In 2016, the District moved forward with numerous projects such the completion of the Draft Preliminary Design Report for Lakeland Village Line H with the intention of completing the Preliminary Design Report and hiring a consultant to complete the construction documents in 2017. The Ortega Channel Debris Basin project was also on the list of Capital Improvement Projects along with the Ortega Channel Retrofit and the West Elsinore Master Drainage Plan.

Information regarding these projects and future plans as well as other services offered by the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District can be found at <http://www.floodcontrol.co.riverside.ca.us>

Supervisor Success Stories

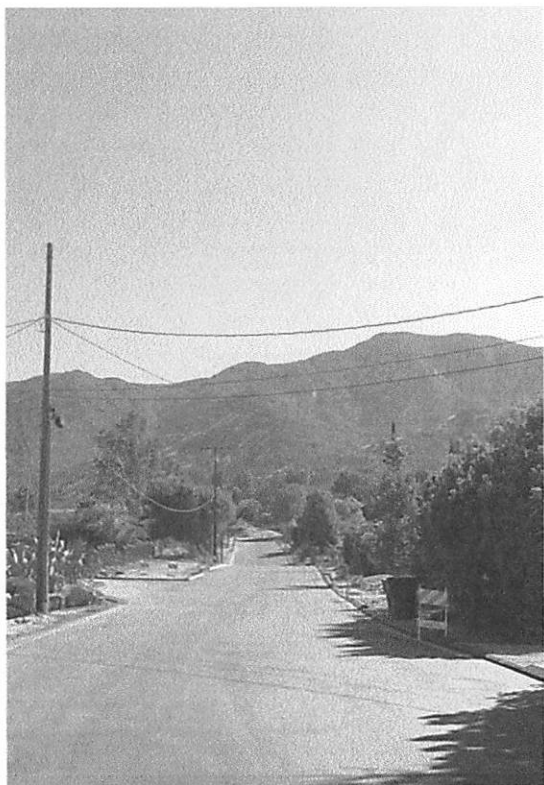


Each month this column highlights recent successes in Supervisor Jeffries' Office, whether it is assistance for a single citizen dealing with the county bureaucracy, a change in county policy to improve our community, or a promise kept by the Supervisor.

Star Milling Co.



The Star Milling Company, a staple in Mead Valley for decades received approval in August to build a new state-of-the-art pet food manufacturing facility on Harvill Avenue, just north of their existing operation. The 54,450 square foot building will double their production capabilities and complement the existing operation. This will also mean 35 to 40 new jobs in manufacturing, management and sales. Congratulations to the Cramer Family.



Stoneman Street Residents Ecstatic Over New Pavement!

Residents of Stoneman Street in Lakeland Village are ecstatic over the recently completed paving of their road by Riverside County Transportation crews.

The road, which traditionally becomes a default drainage channel during rain storms and is difficult to navigate afterwards with all the wash-outs and potholes was paved in early August after much pre-planning and grading by crews in preparation for the final pavement.

Now that the road has been paved, residents and public safety personnel can access their homes without worries of getting stuck in a wash-out during a rain event.

Big thank you to our Transportation crews for their hard work too!!

Local District #1 Events

On Saturday, August 12th at Deleo Park, RivCo MARS hosted one of our six movie in the park events. Over 275 CSA 134 residents enjoyed a showing of Disney's Finding Dory.

Pre-show entertainment included: Bouncers, free giveaways, Kona Ice, face painting, popcorn, a tide pool experience and music.

Attendees all received free eats. We had a pretzel and Italian ice truck on site as well. They served 225 attendees.



Supervisor Kevin Jeffries and staff discussing homeless camps

Supervisor Tackles Homeless Camps

A very productive meeting was held at the Lakeland Village District office recently, in regards to addressing our homeless camp(s) issue in District #1. Thank you to those who attended, United States Forest Service (USFS), Code Enforcement, Riverside County Sheriff and our County Counsel.

Non-Profit Spotlight

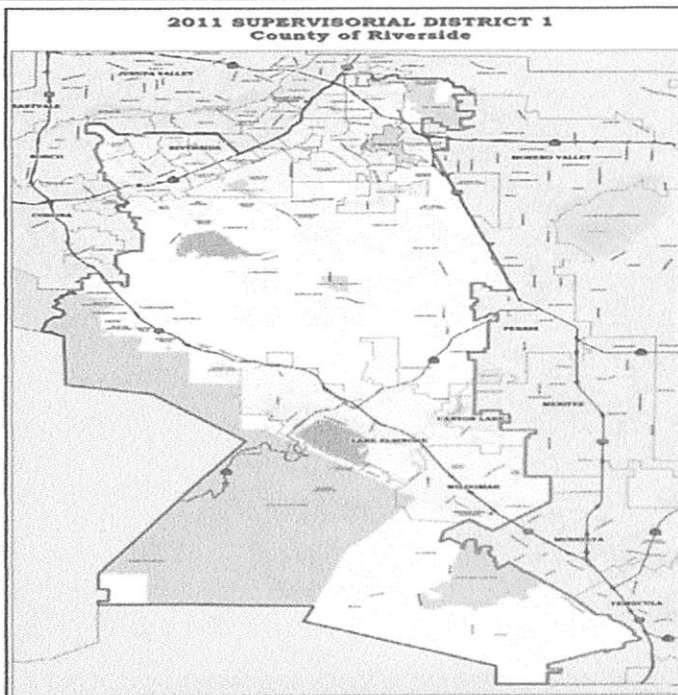
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First District Profile



Kevin Jeffries was elected in November 2012 to represent the residents of the 1st Supervisorial District on the Riverside County Board of Supervisors. This district covers the cities of Riverside, Lake Elsinore, Canyon Lake, and Wildomar, and unincorporated communities including Woodcrest, Lake Mathews, Mead Valley, Temescal Valley, Good Hope, Lakeland Village, El Cariso, Meadowbrook, La Cresta, Tenaja, DeLuz and Spring Hills.

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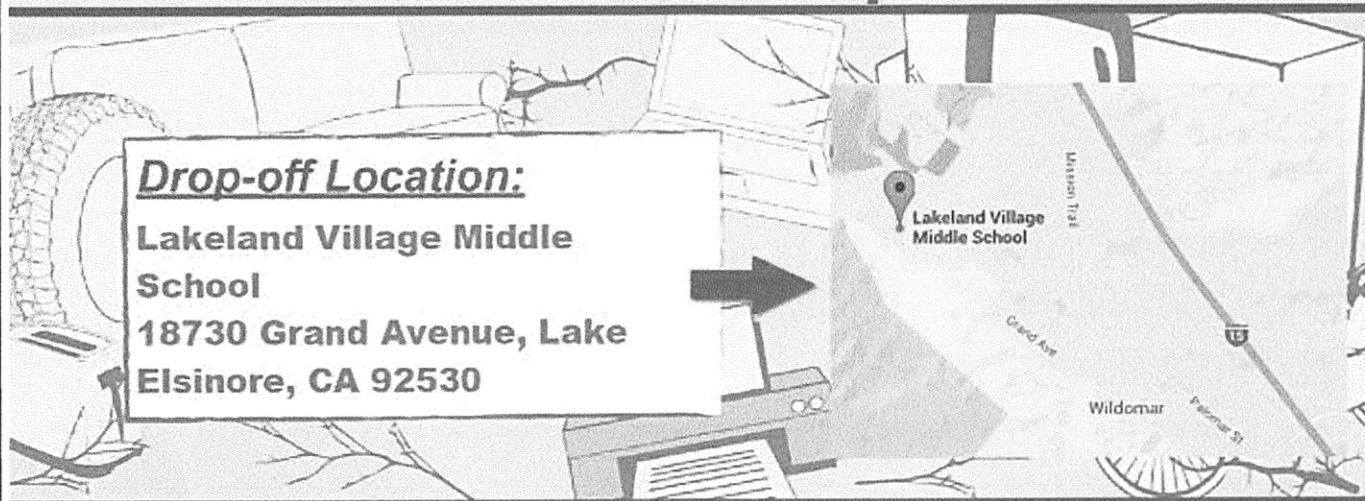
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COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Lakeland Village

Saturday, September 23, 2017
8:00 am to 12:00 pm



Drop-off Location:

Lakeland Village Middle School
18730 Grand Avenue, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

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- **Tires:** Per state law, please only transport 9 tires per trip. Please call Riverside County Waste Management Department for a waiver if needed. Tires must be less than 4ft in diameter & weigh less than 200 lbs.
- **Furniture:** Sofa beds, couches, tables, chairs, mattresses, box springs and patio furniture.
- **Large Appliances:** Washing machines, dryers, stoves refrigerators, water heaters, air conditioners and dishwashers.
- **Tree Limbs and Branches:** Should not exceed 18 inches in diameter or 3 feet in length. Please make sure tree limbs are bundled and tied together.
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