



December 3, 2018

Dear Fellow Conservationist:

The Board of Directors of the Northumberland County Conservation District (NCCD) is pleased to announce the start of their annual membership drive. 2018 was another successful year for us, and we hope you will join us for an exciting 2019. Our District has the unique opportunity to work with a variety of individuals; including students, farmers, municipal officials, and the development community. Our dedicated staff provides technical assistance and outreach touching upon important issues, such as manure management, streambank restoration, erosion and sedimentation control, and numerous other conservation issues that affect our daily lives. We also administer the mosquito-borne diseases control program in a 5-county area (Columbia, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder, and Union counties).

Why are Conservation Districts so important? We are one of the few grassroots organizations set up by the New Deal still in operation today. Districts were developed specifically to handle agricultural issues on a local level; in other words, local farmers familiar with the land would be making local decisions, as opposed to bureaucrats in Washington, DC. Over 70 years later we are still making local decisions, and although we are being challenged with additional programs addressing water quality; this core mission still exists — conservation at the local level. Farm inspections from the EPA and the DEP have made this mission even more critical. It is so important that we can provide education, outreach, and technical assistance to those directly impacted by these inspections.

Your support is crucial. In addition to the satisfaction of being part of a team that has worked to conserve the natural resources of Northumberland County for over 70 years, you can be proud of the fact that your contribution is going toward this very cause. Members will receive a membership certificate and have their name published in our publications, as well as on our website: www.nccdpa.org. We will always encourage individuals to patronize your business because of your support to conservation. We are also offering ad space in our quarterly newsletter "Conservation Matters," depending on which membership level you choose. The newsletter reaches approximately 2,500 individuals.

You may become a member with your contribution in one of six categories, which are listed on the enclosed form. Simply fill out and return the form along with your check in the self-addressed envelope. You may also pay by credit card.

If you have any questions regarding the Northumberland County Conservation District, please don't hesitate to contact us at (570) 495-4665. We look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your support of conservation in Northumberland County!

Sincerely,

Judy Becker

Judy Becker District Manager

NCCD Membership Drive Form

Northumberland County Conservation District

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| Contributing | Name in 2 NCCD newsletters. | \$75.00 | Conservation Partner | Business Ad in 3 NCCD newsletters. | \$750.00 |
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NCCD 441 Plum Creek Road Sunbury, PA 17801

THANK YOU!!!

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List of Services:



Dam Safety and Waterway Management: Any work in or near the waters of the Commonwealth is regulated by the State of Pennsylvania under Chapter 105 of DEP's rules and regulations. The NCCD provides assistance and acts as a local contact for the public to help them through the Chapter 105 permitting process and prevent negative impacts to the waters of the Commonwealth.

For more information, contact: Mike McCleary at mmccleary@nccdpa.org.



Watershed Assistance: The NCCD provides technical assistance to watershed groups in the area. Services provided include, but are not limited to: group start up coordination, presentations, grant writing, grant administration, water quality monitoring, technique trainings, interpretation of results, and project assessments.

For more information, contact: Chantel Shambach at cshambach@nccdpa.org.



Erosion & Sediment Control: The NCCD administers the Chapter 102 Erosion Control program, conducting the following program responsibilities: Technical Plan Reviews, Site Inspections, Complaint Investigations, Information & Education. The NCCD also administers the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), the permitting for storm water discharge from construction activity.

For more information, contact: Mike McCleary at mmccleary@nccdpa.org.



Farmland Preservation: This program enables state, county and local governments to purchase conservation easements from owners of quality farmland. This was developed in 1988 to help slow the loss of prime farmland to non-agricultural uses. Northumberland County has appointed an agricultural land preservation board which is overseen by the state board.

For more information, contact: Judy Becker at ibecker@nccdpa.org.



Chesapeake Bay Program: This program provides cost share assistance for the installation of Best Management Practices (BMP's) to correct existing manure and nutrient problems from agricultural operations. The NCCD also provides assistance with the writing of Manure Management plans for landowners in Northumberland County.

For more information, contact: Ryan Cherwinski at rcherwinski@nccdpa.org.



Environmental Education: The NCCD offers a variety of Environmental Education programs for teachers, students, and members of the community on a regular basis. District staff would be happy to do a presentation for your organization or classroom. We also assist schools with preparation for the Susquehanna Valley Middle School and High School Envirothons. Our office houses the Dave Unger Environmental Education Center.

For more information, contact: Judy Becker at jbecker@nccdpa.org.



Dirt, Gravel, & Low Volume Roads: The Dirt, Gravel, and Low Volume Roads program is designed to fund environmentally sound maintenance of unpaved and low-volume paved roadways that have been identified as sources of sediment pollution. The funds are available to local municipalities. The NCCD Quality Assurance Board (QAB) accepts and reviews applications each fall.

For more information, contact: Mike McCleary at mmccleary@nccdpa.org.



Mosquito-borne Disease Control: The NCCD, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP), has implemented the Mosquito-borne Disease Control Program. Our mission is to protect the public health of residents in Columbia, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder, and Union counties by collecting field data and eliminating hosts of the West Nile and Zika viruses.

For more information, contact: Brandon Ball at bball@nccdpa.org.

Visit our website for more information on our organization: www.nccdpa.org

