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Conservation Districts Thank Legislators during Capitol Day Event

HARRISBURG – Approximately thirty representatives from ten conservation districts across the state participated in the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation District's (PACD) Capitol Day in Harrisburg today. Representatives met with their legislators to thank them for supporting conservation districts, particularly for keeping conservation district funding level for the FY 2011-2012 budget. Local pollution control projects, which are making a difference on the local level and throughout the Commonwealth, were featured. Conservation district delegates also invited their legislators on a local tour to showcase projects in their legislative district.

PACD President MaryAnn Warren stated, "It's wonderful to see delegates from across the Commonwealth come together in Harrisburg to talk to members of the Pennsylvania legislature about projects in their own backyards. Pennsylvania's conservation districts exist to conserve natural resources for our future. It's important that we personally acknowledge legislators for their support in providing the necessary funding for conservation districts to continue their important work."



Dauphin County Conservation District representatives meet with their legislators during PACD Capitol Day on May 3, 2011. (Left to right: Mike Hubler, District Manager; Robert Christoff, Resource Supervisor; Ronald Kopp, Farmer Director and Board Chairman; and Jim Szyborski, Public Director.)

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"PACD Capitol Day was mostly an informational day and a chance for us to thank legislators for keeping conservation district funding level," said PACD Executive Director Robert B. Maiden. "Maintaining our level of funding is a public acknowledgement that the pollution control projects conservation districts implement at the local level are valued by our elected leaders."



PACD staff delivered plants to legislators during the Capitol Day event to thank them for their continued support.

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