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SUPPORT LOCAL CONSERVATION: CELEBRATE CONSERVATION DISTRICT WEEK

(Harrisburg, PA – April 23, 2017) – The Pennsylvania State Senate and the House of Representatives declared April 23-30, 2017 as “Conservation District Week.” The dates coincide with Earth Day (April 22nd) events and celebrations.

Each county has a conservation district office except Philadelphia. These offices have volunteer directors and staff who focus on local conservation issues. These are your neighbors who are working to ensure there is enough clean water. They also make sure we have healthy soil for the future. That is something to celebrate!

“We are excited to celebrate Conservation District Week,” said Brenda J. Shambaugh, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts. “We must support our conservation districts so they can protect our local areas.”

During Conservation District Week, offices across the state will hold events. These events will show the projects they work on every day that control pollution. Working together, citizens can ensure there is enough funding for conservation districts. The House of Representatives has less money in their budget for conservation this year. Please support conservation by asking your legislators to fully fund conservation districts.

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The Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts, Inc. (PACD) is a non-profit organization whose guiding values include: Sustainable Resource Conservation; Integrity, Local; Education and Outreach; and Partnerships. PACD primarily serves as the collective voice for Pennsylvania’s 66 county conservation districts. For more information about PACD, visit www.pacd.org.

