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Celebrate Conservation District Week

(Harrisburg, PA) – The Pennsylvania State Senate and the House of Representatives declared May 5-11, 2019 as "Conservation District Week." During Conservation District Week, offices across the state will hold events and meet with legislators in their home county and in the State's Capitol. These events will show the projects conservation districts work on every day that control pollution.

Each county has a conservation district office except Philadelphia. These volunteer directors and staff live and work in your community. They address local conservation problems. These are your neighbors who are working to prevent pollution. That deserves to be celebrated!

"We are thankful to the legislature in declaring May 5-11 as Conservation District Week," said Brenda J. Shambaugh, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts. "The best way to control pollution is local solutions. Our conservation districts provide this service throughout the Commonwealth."

Conservation districts thank Governor Tom Wolf and members of the PA House and Senate for supporting the districts through the state budget. PACD is requesting a ten percent increase in state funding, which has not been increased for over fourteen years, to offset conservation district costs associated with protecting the Commonwealth's natural resources.

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