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**OVER \$16,500 AWARDED TO CONSERVATION DISTRICTS TO
PROMOTE CONSERVATION IN PA**

(Harrisburg) - Pennsylvania's county conservation districts were awarded \$16,830 for projects in eight counties for the 2022-23 Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) Mini-Grants. Conservation districts will use these grants to work with landowners to prevent pollution in our streams, lakes, and rivers. Projects will take place over the next nine months.

“CREP can be an important tool to help landowners financially while ensuring enough clean water and healthy soil for future generations. With this funding, conservation districts will be able to meet with landowners to see if CREP is right for them,” said Brenda Shambaugh, Executive Director for the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts (PACD).

The following conservation districts were awarded up to \$3,000 as part of the 2022-23 CREP mini-grant round:

County Conservation District	Amount Awarded
Adams	\$3,000



Clarion	\$2,600
Jefferson	\$1,400
Potter	\$1,400
Snyder	\$3,000
Tioga	\$2,050
Union	\$1,500
Washington	\$1,880

Projects include field days, workshops, and one-on-one visits. Whether participants are new to CREP or are already enrolled, they will learn more about the CREP program and how to make it work for them.

The CREP Outreach Program Office Mini-grant Program is provided by PACD through a Growing Greener Watershed Protection grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. Additional support is provided by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service. Click here for more information on the CREP program:

<https://www.creppa.org/>.

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