

The Legislative Basics

The following is a list of ideas conservation districts can implement to build effective relationships with legislator.

- Send legislators district newsletters and annual reports
- Invite legislators to the district awards dinner and offer them a short timeslot on the agenda
- Give awards to legislators at the awards dinner
- Send thank you notes after meeting with legislators and after important bills are passed
- Provide tours of the district office and district projects
- Involve legislators in activities such as Envirothon, dedication of district projects, etc.
- Write brief, concise letters and ask for support
- Send correspondence on issues
- Invite legislators and their staff to field tours and other special events that illustrate conservation district projects and activities
- Send pictures of the legislators in the field with constituents to their office for their newsletters
- Host a legislative education event showcasing projects
- Send letters or notes of congratulations to legislators for notable achievements