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**68th NACD
ANNUAL MEETING**

February 2-5, 2014

**Anaheim Marriott
Anaheim, California**





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WELCOME TO ANAHEIM!

Welcome to California and the 2014 NACD Annual Meeting!

We're so glad you could join us in Anaheim for this exceptional week of learning, networking and fun! A special thanks to California for serving as our hosts this year. Together, we have put a lot of time and planning into this event, and we are confident that you will be pleased with the results.



Focused on the theme, "Conservation: Locally Grown, Nationally Known," this year's conference will highlight the local conservation delivery system and its impact on natural resources across every state and territory.

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This week, we have the tremendous opportunity of being surrounded by conservation leaders from across the country. We hope you'll take full advantage of this time to network, learn, ask questions, and go back home equipped with new information and ideas to share with your local districts and communities.

Thank you for your leadership and engagement in the locally-led conservation process. Together, we can, and are, making a difference at the national scale.

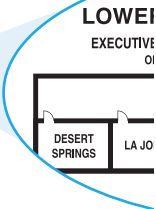
Enjoy Anaheim, and have a great meeting!

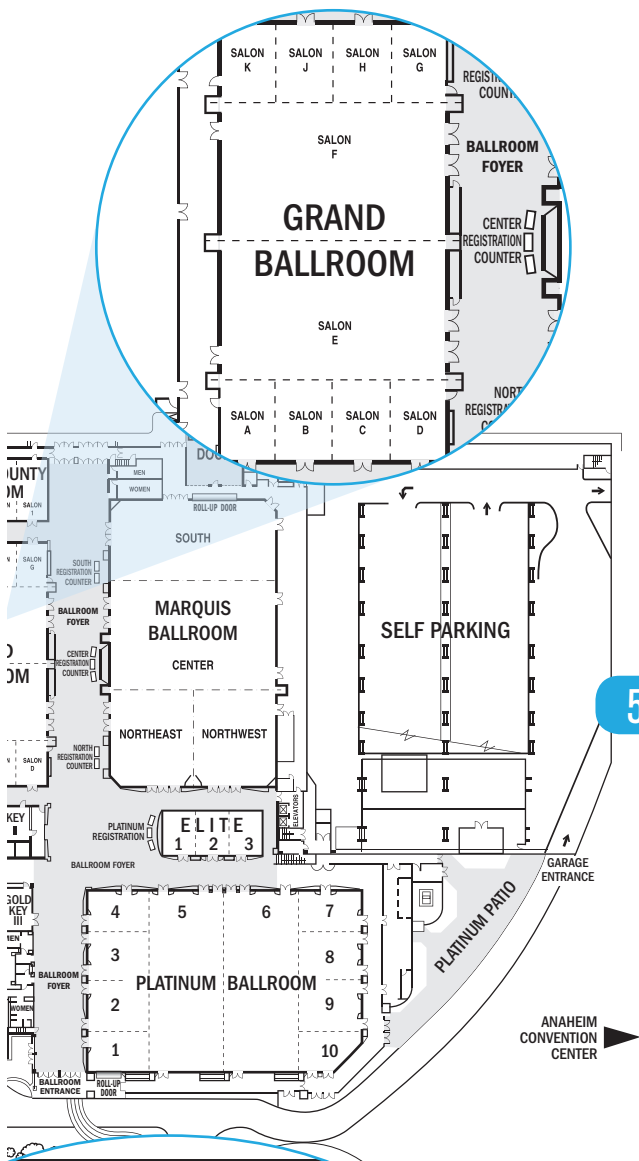
Sincerely,

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Gene Schmidt
NACD Past President &
2014 Annual Meeting Chair

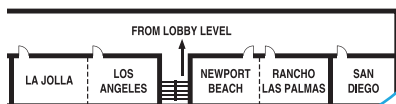






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GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION AND TICKETS

Registration Counters

A name badge is required to gain entry into each Annual Meeting event, including the Conservation Expo, Welcome Reception, Morning Networking Sessions/Coffee Breaks, NACD General and Concurrent Sessions, Monday's Leadership Lunch, Reception and Live Auction.

NACD asks that you have your name badge with you at all times during the Annual Meeting. A \$50 badge replacement fee will apply. Thank you and enjoy the conference!

Sessions marked with an asterisk (*) are by invitation only or require a ticket/registration. Sessions marked with two asterisks (**) require a name badge to gain entry.

REGISTRATION HOURS:

Saturday	12:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Sunday	7:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Monday	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Tuesday	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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SERVICES AVAILABLE AT REGISTRATION:

- Event Ticket Sales
- Friends of NACD
- General Information
- Materials and Handout Table



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700 West Convention Way
Anaheim, CA 92802
800-450-4442

Grand Ballroom Salon E-F

Guests must be accompanied by badge-holder

EXPO HOURS:

Sunday	12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Monday	7:30 AM – 12:00 PM
	2:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Tuesday	7:30 AM – 1:00 PM

- Conservation Expo Booths
- Speaker Booth
- Morning Networking Sessions/Coffee Breaks
- NACD Marketplace
- Auxiliary Country Store and Quilt Raffle
- Presidents Association and National Conservation Foundation Silent Auction
- 2014 Stewardship Week Information
- Poster and Photo Contest National Winners
- Pack A Book Dropoff (NACD Education Exhibit)
- NACD Live Auction Display

NOTE: Live Auction items will be accepted until noon on Monday.

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GENERAL INFORMATION (continued)

ACRONYM GUIDE:

BLM:	U.S. Bureau of Land Management
CTIC:	Conservation Technology Information Center
EPA:	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
NACD:	National Association of Conservation Districts
NASCA:	National Association of State Conservation Agencies
NARC&DC:	National Association of Resource Conservation & Development Councils
NCDEA:	National Conservation District Employees Association
NCF:	National Conservation Foundation
NRCS:	Natural Resources Conservation Service
PLC:	Principal Legislative Contact
RPG:	Resource Policy Group
SWCD:	Soil & Water Conservation District
USDA:	U.S. Department of Agriculture
USFS:	U.S. Forest Service

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PRESENTATIONS:

Selected presentations from the 2014 NACD Annual Meeting will be made available on the NACD website.

PLEASE NOTE: Meeting times and locations are subject to change. Updates to the program will be available at Registration.

ENJOY THE MEETING?

Don't forget to fill out an evaluation form to let NACD know your thoughts on this year's Annual Meeting! To fill out an online evaluation, visit surveymonkey.com/s/2014NACDANNUALMEETING. Paper evaluation forms will also be available at the Tuesday General Session.



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MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION

NACD WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ITS PAST PRESIDENTS:

E.C. McArthur, Gaffney, SC.	1946-1947
Kent Leavitt, Millbrook, NY.	1948-1949
Walter S. Davis, Jr., Galveston, TX.	1950-1954
Nolen J. Fuqua, Jr., Duncan, OK.	1955-1958
William E. Richards, Kearney, NE.	1959-1961
Marion S. Monk, Jr., Batchelor, LA.	1962-1965
Sam Studebaker, Troy City, OH.	1966-1969
John S. Wilder, Somerville, TN.	1970-1973
George R. Bagley, St. Joseph, LA.	1974-1977
Lyle Bauer, Harper, KS.	1978-1981
Milton E. "Bud" Mekelburg, Yuma, CO.	1982-1984
Clarence Durban, Plain City, OH.	1985-1988
Robert "Bob" Wetherbee, Fairmount, ND.	1989-1991
Gerald B. Digerness, Sumas, WA.	1992-1994
Gerald L. Vap, McCook, NE.	1995-1997
Rudy K. Rice, Du Quoin, IL.	1998-2000
Read Smith, St. John, WA.	2001-2003
Gary Mast, Millersburg, OH.	2004-2005
Bill Wilson, Kinta, OK.	2006-2007
Olin Sims, McFadden, WY.	2007-2008
John Redding, Monroe, GA.	2008-2009
Steve Robinson, Marysville, OH.	2009-2011
Gene Schmidt, Hanna, IN.	2011-2013

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NACD WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ITS FRIENDS OF NACD LIFETIME MEMBERS:

Guillermo Benavides	Sonny Jones	Kenneth Roehrich
Ralph Brokaw	Barry Lake	Brad Ross
Alan Brown	Joseph Lomax	Charlie Schafer
Linda Brownson	Doug Loudenslager	Gene Schmidt
Larry Cochran	Lee McDaniel	Russell Setti
William Cowell	John McDonald	Jerry Snodgrass
Ian Cunningham	Jack Majeres	Jon Starns
Terry Davis	Steve Miller	Kent Stuckey
John Finch	Kevin Norton	Steve Sunderland
Arthur Ganta	Tim Palmer	Donavon Taves
Earl Garber	Kenneth Pederson	Brent Van Dyke
Kirk Garber	Barbara Perlman-	Andrew Wargo
Ernest Girouard	Whyman	Robert Warner
Joe Glassmeyer	John Peterson	Richard Went
Pat and Jeff Harris	John Redding	Franklin Williams
Charles Holmes	John Regula	Bill Wilson
Rick Jeans	Steve Robinson	Lonnie Wilson

NACD also expresses appreciation for the support of past donors' contributions including: the original NACD Building Fund and 509 Capitol Court campaign; the Endowment Fund Century Club; Presidents Club; and all Friends of NACD contributors.



FULL PROGRAM

Friday, January 31

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

NACD Executive Board Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon D*

Saturday, February 1

8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

NACD Executive Board Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon D*

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Forestry RPG Meeting *Orange County Salon 3*

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Urban and Community

RPG Meeting *Orange County Salon 4*

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10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

New NACD Board Member Orientation

. *Grand Ballroom Salon A-B*

10:00 PM – 1:00 PM

NCDEA Executive Committee Meeting . . . *Orange County Salon 2*

12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Registration Open *Registration Counters*

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

NACD Board of Directors Meeting *Marquis Ballroom North*

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

NCF-North American Envirothon Operating

Committee Meeting *Orange County Salon 1*

1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

NCDEA Board Meeting *Orange County Salon 2*

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Resolutions Committee Meeting . . . *Grand Ballroom Salon A-B*

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Queen Mary Ship Twilight Tour*

Board buses at 5:45 p.m. in front of hotel.

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Sunday, February 2

6:45 AM – 7:30 AM

Inspirational Session Coffee Break *Platinum 3-4*

7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Registration Open. *Registration Counters*

7:30 AM – 8:15 AM

Inspirational Program. *Platinum 3-4*

Welcome: John Finch, Stewardship & Education
Committee Chairman and NACD Executive
Board, *Spring Hope, NC*

Reflection on Stewardship:
Susan Schultz, Education & Stewardship
Specialist, *NACD, Greenfield, IN*

Music

Poster Contest Winners:
Karen Smart, President,
NACD Auxiliary, Pleasant Grove, UT

In Memoriam: Kenny Lovelace, Stewardship and Education
Committee Member, *Palmyra, MO*

Closing: Ron Brown, Stewardship & Education
Committee Vice Chairman and NACD
Executive Board, *Fort Scott, KS*

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Bob Warner, Brighton, CO*

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8:30 AM – 1:00 PM

NCF-North American Envirothon
Operating Committee Meeting *Orange County Salon 1*

8:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Auxiliary Business Meeting *Orange County Salon 4*

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Natural Resources Policy
Committee Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon C-D*

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Legislative Committee Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon A-B*

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

District Operations/Member Services
Committee Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon J-K*

8:45 AM – 11:45 AM

Stewardship and Education
Committee Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon G-H*

8:45 AM – 11:45 AM

Communications Committee Meeting. . . *Orange County Salon 2*

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10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

NCDEA Hosted Tour: Huntington/Newport Beaches, Wetlands & Whale Watching*

Board buses at 9:45 a.m. in front of hotel.

10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

NCDEA Hosted Tour: Urban Farm and Historic Orange County Tour*

Board buses at 9:45 a.m. in front of hotel.

11:45 AM – 1:00 PM

First Timers Session *Platinum 3-4*

If this is your first time attending the NACD Annual Meeting, please join us for this orientation session especially designed for you! Meet NACD officers and staff and get your questions answered. This session will describe the meetings, sessions, hearings and workshops that you can and should attend, helping you to have a great experience while attending the 2014 NACD Annual Meeting.

12:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Conservation Expo and Pre-Game Social

..... *Grand Ballroom Salon E-F*

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1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

North Central Region Meeting . . . *Orange County Salon 2*

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Northeast Region Meeting *Orange County Salon 3*

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Northern Plains Region Meeting . . . *Grand Ballroom Salon G-H*

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

South Central Region Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon J-K*

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Pacific Region Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon A-B*

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Southeast Region Meeting *Elite 2-3*

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Southwest Region Meeting *Grand Ballroom Salon C-D*

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

NASCA Business Meeting *Orange County Salon 4*

3:00 PM – 9:30 PM

BBQ, Classic Muscle Cars, and The Game

Buses will depart from the hotel starting at 3:00 PM and will shuttle back and forth between the hotel and the Astor Classics Museum & Event Center. Final buses will return to hotel after the game is over at 9:00 PM.

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Monday, February 3

7:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Registration Open. *Registration Counters*

7:30 AM – 8:15 AM

Morning Networking Session/

Coffee Break**. *Grand Ballroom Salon E-F*

7:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Conservation Expo *Grand Ballroom Salon E-F*

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8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

General Session* *Marquis Ballroom South-Center*

Presiding: Gene Schmidt, Annual Meeting Chair and NACD
Past President, *Hanna, IN*

Presentation of Colors

National Anthem:

Ted Ramsey, Southwest-Pacific Representative
and Policy Specialist, *NACD, Washington, DC*

Pledge of Allegiance

California Welcome:

Mark Nechodom, Director, *California
Department of Conservation, Sacramento, CA*

Assembly of States and Territories:

State and Territory Representatives

President's Address:

Earl Garber, President, *NACD, Basile, LA*

CEO Report: John Larson, CEO, *NACD, Washington, DC*

Keynote Introduction:

Jane E. Hardisty, Indiana State
Conservationist, *USDA/NRCS*

Keynote Presentation:

The Banana Slug String Band, *Santa Cruz, CA*

10:45 AM – 11:45 AM

NACD District Share Fair *Grand Ballroom Salon A-B*

The NACD District Share Fair is a district showcase of activities and accomplishments. The event will also include networking opportunities and discussions with other attendees.

The following districts will be participating in this year's Share Fair:

TABLE 1: Effective Urban Education and Outreach
Programs for Inland Southern California

Presenters: Diana Ruiz, Public Affairs Manager,
Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation
District, Riverside, CA; Erin Snyder, Resource
Educator, Riverside-Corona Resource
Conservation District, Riverside, CA

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TABLE 2: Responding to the 2013 Colorado Flood with information on Well Testing at Frack Sites

Presenter: Joyce Kelly, Executive Director, West Greely Conservation District, Greely, CO

TABLE 3: Meet the National NACD/NRCS Earth Team award winner and Successful District Earth Team Programs

Presenter: Madison County SWCD, Alabama (Award Winner); Bonnie Allely, National NRCS Volunteer Liaison, Urbandale, IA

TABLE 4: Illinois Urban Manual–NEW Field Manual

Presenters: Kelly Thompson, IUM Program Coordinator, Kendall County SWCD, Yorkville, IL; Megan Andrews, Resource Conservationist, Kendall County SWCD, Yorkville, IL

TABLE 5: Alternative Students=Unique Educational Possibilities

Presenters: Chris Hatch, Administrative Assistant, Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District, Preston, ID; Lyla Dettmer, District Manager, Franklin SWCD, Preston, ID

TABLE 6: North American Envirothon

Presenters: Members of the NCF–North American Envirothon Operating Committee and NCF Board of Trustees

TABLE 7: Maintaining Stormwater Infrastructure

Presenters: Milt Link, Drainage Maintenance Coordinator, Urban Resource Conservationist, Delaware SWCD, Delaware, OH; Larry Ufferman, District Administrator, Delaware SWCD, Delaware, OH

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Leadership Lunch** *Marquis Ballroom South-Center*

Presiding: Brent Van Dyke, Second Vice President, NACD, Hobbs, NM

Keynote Speaker: AG Kawamura, Co-Chair, *Solutions from the Land*, Newport Beach, CA

Membership Recognition: Richard Went, Secretary/Treasurer, NACD, Foster, RI

District Official Training Program Recognition: John McDonald, Chairman, NACD District Operations and Member Services Committee, Hillsboro, OR

NCF/Presidents Association Award Showcase: Steve Robinson, NCF Chair and NACD Past President, Marysville, OH

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**Lee Bunting, President, Presidents Association,
Dwight, IL**

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Conservation Expo *Grand Ballroom Salon E-F*
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2:15 PM – 2:30 PM

NACD Board Meeting *Marquis Ballroom North*

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

INTEREST HIGH IN STATE

CERTAINTY PROGRAMS *Grand Ballroom Salon A-B*

A growing number of states are developing programs that provide regulatory certainty for producers who voluntarily address water quality and other natural resource concerns. George Proios, NACD alternate board member from New York, will highlight his state's Agricultural Environmental Management Program. NACD communications specialist Bill Berry will discuss the growth of certainty programs nationwide. NRCS will present an update on the implementation of the Conservation Delivery System Initiative for use in field offices across the nation.

Moderator: **Tim Riley, Treasurer, NCDEA, Dover, DE**

Presenters: **George Proios, Alternate Board Member,
NACD, Farmingville, NY**

**Bill Berry, Communications Specialist,
NACD, Stevens Point, WI**

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CHANGING WITH

YOUR COMMUNITY. *Grand Ballroom Salon C-D*

Communities, rural and urban, are constantly changing. North Dakota conservation districts are seeing more traditional and nontraditional female operators becoming active within operating units, and so districts hold separate gatherings that are tailored to them including family health, financial management, best management practices, agriculture agencies technical or financial assistance. California's resource conservation districts have steadily adapted to their communities' needs by reaching out to increasing populations, diverse cultures and addressing changing landscape issues as will be shown by the Inland Empire Resource District.

Moderator: **Jeanette Kennedy Hale, South Central Region
Director, NCDEA, Russellville, AR**

Presenters: **Rhonda Vetsch, Northern Plains Director, NCDEA
and District Clerk, Emmons County Soil Conservation
District, Linton, ND**

**Mandy Parkes, District Manager, Inland Empire
Resource Conservation District, Redlands, CA**

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SONGS FOR THE EARTH!*Grand Ballroom Salon G-H*

The Banana Slug String Band will share songs, activities and techniques to use in teaching Science and Environmental Education. You will be asked to sing, dance and play. So please come prepared to have fun and be inspired!

Moderator: Pam Hawkins, Vice President, NCDEA,
Craven SWCD, New Bern, NC

Presenters: Banana Slug String Band

SOLUTIONS FROM THE LAND: A NEW VISION FOR UNITED STATES AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND CONSERVATION

Grand Ballroom Salon J-K

Solutions from the Land (SFL) evolved from a three-year dialogue among thought leaders in agriculture, forestry, conservation, business, academia and government. The group's March 2013 report, "Developing a New Vision for U.S. Agriculture, Forestry and Conservation," identifies actions that could aid implementation of land use management practices to achieve multiple goals. A diverse group of partners, led by Farm Foundation, NFP and The Nature Conservancy, are promoting the SFL model to multiple stakeholders.

Moderator: Connie Richmeier, Past President, NCDEA,
Garden City, KS

Presenters: AG Kawamura, Co-Chair, *Solutions from the Land*, Newport Beach, CA

Ernie Shea, Project Coordinator, *Solutions from the Land*, Lutherville, MD

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2:30-3:30 PM

State Association Executive Directors Meeting*

Desert Springs Lower Level

This session is for executive directors only and discussion will include topics such as funding, district official training, marketing strategies, successful projects and programs, and more. This session offers Executive Directors the opportunity to network and learn from each other in order to strengthen their state associations.

2:45 PM – 5:30 PM

NACD RESOLUTION HEARINGS

Communications *Orange County Salon 3*

District Operations/Member Services . . *Orange County Salon 4*

Natural Resources Policy *Elite 2-3*

Stewardship and Education *Orange County Salon 2*

Legislative *Orange County Salon 1*

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4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

WHAT IS THE CONSERVATION DELIVERY SYSTEM

OF THE FUTURE?*Grand Ballroom Salon A-B*

The National Conservation Partnership and State Partnerships are working on new approaches & tools to serve customers across the nation. This initiative includes personnel, information technology (including new and updated applications), office locations and configurations, training, consideration of existing and new authorities that may be needed, and a host of additional considerations. The goal is to help evolve the current delivery system to keep pace with human and natural resource demands of the future. Please join this session to learn and participate in the discussion on how conservation can be delivered in the future.

Moderator: Irene Moore, President, NCDEA, Wintersville, OH

Presenters: John McDonald, Chairman, NACD District Operations and Member Services Committee, Hillsboro, OR

Bill Berry, Communications Specialist, NACD, Stevens Point, WI

URBAN CONSERVATION—MAKING AN IMPACT THROUGHOUT YOUR COMMUNITY

.*Grand Ballroom Salon C-D*

Whether large or small scale urban conservation projects, you can make a big impact through the installation of Green Spaces in your community and backyard conservation practices in your neighborhoods. Explore the environmental, economical, and social benefits of Green Spaces and working with residential landowners.

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Moderator: Tim Thomas, Northeast Region Director, NCDEA, Freehold, NJ

Presenters: Alex Schmidt, Chair Person, Johnson County Soil and Water Conservation District & Owner/ Designer/Installer, Alex Schmidt Landscape Design LLC, Iowa City, IA

Gina Zirkle, Environmental Scientist, Scotts Miracle-Gro, Marysville, OH

FOREST HEALTH AND INVASIVE SPECIES

MANAGEMENT*Grand Ballroom Salon G-H*

This session will focus on forest health, including wildfire management and invasive species control. Learn about how conservation districts and other partners are working in Arizona to restore forest ecosystems through the Four Forest Restoration Initiative (4FRI); a cooperative effort by the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and local conservation districts to deliver a mountain pine beetle suppression project on state and private forest land; and the Healthy Habitats Coalition's legislative efforts to control and manage invasive species.

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Moderator: Carolyn Kelly, Pacific Region Director, NCDEA, Mount Vernon, WA

Presenters: Steve Gatewood, Board Member, Greater Flagstaff Forests Partnership and NACD Forest RPG Member

Ray Sowers, Director/State Forester, South Dakota Department of Agriculture

Dr. George Beck, Professor of Weed Science, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO

MEETING WATER RESOURCE CHALLENGES THROUGH TECHNOLOGY AND PARTNERSHIPS

..... Grand Ballroom Salon J-K

Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD) provides raw water for over 1.8 million people in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area. Follow the District's experiences from constructing and rehabilitating small watershed projects, to comprehensive watershed planning, and development of innovative partnerships for water supply protection. The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service has partnered with US Engineering Solutions Corp. to implement their web-based application to monitor 11,800 dams built with USDA assistance. DamWatch is a patented system that allows watershed sponsors and NRCS personnel to store and retrieve data, monitor storm events, and respond efficiently to potentially destructive flood events.

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Moderator: Brian Hacker, Southeast Region Director, NCDEA, Barbourville, KY

Presenters: Darrel Andrews, Assistant Director, Environmental Division, TRWD, Fort Worth, TX

Tina Hendon, Watershed Programs Manager, Environmental Division, TRWD, Fort Worth, TX

Kevin Burns, Commissioner, District 2, Wise County, Texas

Wayne Long, Wise County SWCD, Decatur, TX

Lou Vee Bridges, Wise County Water Control and Improvement District, Decatur, Texas

Larry Caldwell, Watershed Specialist, Oklahoma Conservation Commission, National Watershed Coalition, Stillwater, Oklahoma

Joe Scannell, President, US Engineering Solutions Corp., Hartford, Connecticut

Noller Herbert, Director, Conservation Engineering Division, NRCS, Washington, DC

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6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

NACD Reception and Table Auction**

..... *Marquis Ballroom South-Center*

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Live Auction *Marquis Ballroom South-Center, Open to All*

Auctioneer: Johnny Regula, *Ostrander, OH*

Announcer: Janet Adkison, *President, National Association of Farm Broadcasting, Washington, DC*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

6:30 AM – 8:15 AM

Presidents Association Breakfast *Orange County Salon 1-2*

7:00 AM – 6:30 PM

Registration Open. *Registration Counters*

7:00 AM – 8:15 AM

NCDEA Business Meeting *Elite 2*

7:00 AM – 8:15 AM

Auxiliary Recognition Breakfast *Orange County Salon 3-4*

7:30 AM – 8:15 AM

Morning Networking Session/Coffee Break**

..... *Grand Ballroom Salon E-F*

7:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Conservation Expo *Grand Ballroom Salon E-F*

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8:30 AM – 11:00 AM

General Session *Marquis Ballroom South-Center*

Presiding: Lee McDaniel, *First Vice President, NACD, Darlington, MD*

Speakers: Robert Bonnie, *Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, USDA, Washington, DC*
Jason Weller, *Chief, NRCS, Washington, DC*

NACD/NRCS Earth Team Award Presentation

Speakers: Nancy Stoner, *Assistant Administrator for Water, EPA, Washington, DC*

Margaret Grayson, *Executive Director, California Fire Safe Council, San Gabriel Valley, CA*

Jessica Fox, *Program Manager, Electric Power Research Institute, Palo Alto, CA*

Paul Buttner, *Manager of Environmental Affairs, California Rice Commission, Sacramento, CA*

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11:15 AM – 1:15 PM

Partnership Brunch (Hosted by NCDEA, open to all, must purchase ticket)* *Orange County Salon 3-4*

11:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Hollywood Tour*

Board buses at 11:15 a.m. in front of hotel.

11:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Tour: The Huntington Botanical Garden, Library and Art Collection*

Board buses at 11:15 a.m. in front of hotel.

11:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Tour: Orange County Produce & University of California-Cooperative Extension, Irvine, CA*

Board buses at 11:15 a.m. in front of hotel.

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

State Association Executive Directors Meeting*

..... *Desert Springs Lower Level*

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT: INFRASTRUCTURE, EDUCATION & GOALS. Grand Ballroom Salon A-B

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This session will focus on various aspects of stormwater management, including the use of green infrastructure—such as green roofs, rain gardens, riparian buffers, porous pavement projects, and more—to manage stormwater in New York. The session will also highlight a district-led stormwater education project in North Carolina funded by the National Institute for Agriculture, and examine how a Washington district is leading efforts to improve the quality of water flowing into a highly industrialized port.

Moderator: Sandy Stratman, North Central Region Director, NCDEA, Vienna, MO

Presenters: Jennifer Clifford, District Operations & Municipal Program Specialist, New York State Soil & Water Conservation Committee, Albany, NY
Michael Dupree, Watershed Conservationist & Agriculture Economic Development Coordinator, Durham Soil and Water Conservation District, Durham, NC
Melissa Buckingham, Director of Water Quality and Monitoring, Pierce Conservation District, Puyallup, WA

ACCELERATING THE ADOPTION OF NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT & BENEFITS OF STABILIZING NITROGEN

..... *Grand Ballroom Salon C-D*

Learn about the science of nitrogen stabilization, the benefits

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of stabilizing nitrogen to the farm and the environment and understand future technology that Dow AgroSciences and Agrium are bringing to market in this area. In 2013, The Fertilizer Institute partnered with NACD and others to survey retailers and conservation districts on nutrient management. Hear about key findings from the survey and efforts underway to collaborate on activities that benefit the grower.

Moderator: Tim Riley, Treasurer, NCDEA, Dover, DE

Presenters: John Demerly, Portfolio Leader, Dow AgroSciences, Indianapolis, IN

Dr. Matthew W. Clover, Agronomist, Agrium
Advanced Technologies, Denver, CO

Jason Moulin, US Product Manager, Nitrogen
Stabilizers, Dow Agrosciences, Indianapolis, IN

Chris Berry, US Market Developer, Nitrogen
Stabilizers, Dow AgroSciences, Indianapolis, IN

Karl Anderson, Director of Government Relations,
Soil Science Societies, Washington, DC

Jeff Sands, Director of Public Policy, Agricultural
Retailers Association, Washington, DC

DIG DEEPER—MYSTERIES IN THE SOIL

.....Grand Ballroom Salon G-H

Participants will learn about a variety of tools to reach out to communities to teach about soils. Soil is connected to everything we do each day. Participate in activities and learning stations for youth and adults. First 100 Participants will receive a free sample packet of the NACD 2014 DIG DEEPER education materials.

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Moderator: Rhonda Vetsch, Northern Plains Director,
NCDEA and District Clerk, Emmons County Soil
Conservation District, Linton, ND

Presenters: Susan Schultz, Education & Stewardship
Specialist, NACD, Greenfield, IN

Erin Synder, Outreach and Volunteer
Coordinator, Riverside-Corona Resource
Conservation District, Riverside, CA

FINANCING CONSERVATION WITH HIGH INTEGRITY CARBON OFFSETS IN LAND-USE, FORESTRY AND SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE . . . Grand Ballroom Salon J-K

The Climate Action Reserve will present on the topic of how carbon offset revenues can help to finance conservation in the areas of forest conservation/land-use and sustainable agriculture. Such a presentation would include an introduction/overview of the Climate Action Reserve Program, in addition to its offset protocols most closely related to conservation finance: U.S. Forestry, Livestock, Nitrogen Management and Rice Cultivation, including the potential

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to sell credits from these projects into the compliance market for carbon offsets under California's cap-and-trade program.

Moderator: Jeri Trebelcock, Southwest Region Director,
NCDEA, Lander, WY

Presenter: Joel Levin, Vice President for Business
Development, Climate Action Reserve,
Los Angeles, CA

1:30 PM – 5:30 PM

NACD Board of Directors Meeting *Marquis Ballroom North*

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

NRCS Leadership Business Meeting . . *Orange County Salon 1-2*

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**LOCALLY-LED RESOURCE ASSESSMENTS AND
PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR CONSERVATION
DISTRICTS** *Grand Ballroom Salon A-B*

Twenty-nine assessments are used by the Utah districts and NRCS to identify priority resources concerns and to obtain county and multi-agency support. We'll explore the purpose, process and some of the obstacles along the way. The New York state review program provides a tangible way to involve board members in performance standards, providing the

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Soil and Water Conservation Committee an opportunity to track the operational health of districts, and providing funding for conservation on the ground. We'll examine this program as a model for other states.

Moderator: Jeri Trebelcock, Southwest Region Director,
NCDEA, Lander, WY

Presenters: Gordon Younker, Executive Director, Utah
Association of Conservation Districts, North Logan, UT
Jennifer Clifford, New York State Soil and
Water Conservation Committee, Albany, NY

DISTRICTS AND THE OHIO RIVER BASIN

TRADING PROGRAM *Grand Ballroom Salon C-D*

The Ohio River Basin Water Quality Trading Program is billed as the first interstate trading program in the country and one of the most ambitious in the world. Conservation districts are in the thick of the effort. The session will explore this pioneering program and district involvement.

Moderator: Bill Berry, Communications Specialist, NACD,
Stevens Point, WI

Presenters: Scott Ham, Vice Chair, Indiana State Soil
Conservation Board, Indianapolis, IN

Fred Hammon, Administrator, Soil and Water
Information Management System, Ohio Department
of Natural Resources, Columbus, OH

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COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES FOR HABITAT AND BACKYARD CONSERVATION OUTREACH

.....Grand Ballroom Salon G-H

Join two districts as they share their successful programs. Learn about an effective Backyard Conservation Stewardship Short Course from Washington. This program engaged hundreds of local residents (both urban and rural) and supported local resource priorities. Alaska will share ideas for turning a schoolyard into a natural learning environment utilizing restoration techniques, pollinator & rain gardens, and natural play-scapes.

Moderator: Brian Hacker, Southeast Region Director, NCDEA, Barbourville, KY

Presenters: Kristi Carpenter, Public Information and Education Coordinator, Skagit Conservation District, Mount Vernon, WA

Joni Scharfenberg, District Coordinator, Fairbanks Soil and Water Conservation District, Fairbanks, AK

CONSERVATION PRACTICES TO PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY'S DRINKING WATER SOURCES: TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIPS.Grand Ballroom Salon J-K

Protecting your local drinking water sources is one of the key, but often unrecognized, benefits of conservation practices. Come hear success stories about how you can promote conservation practices in your community to protect drinking water sources. The Source Water Collaborative will present a new online Collaboration Toolkit developed with NACD and designed to promote local partnerships with conservation districts to protect drinking water sources.

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Moderator: Sandy Stratman, North Central Region Director, NCDEA, Vienna, MO

Presenter: John Larson, CEO, NACD, Washington, DC

Melissa Brandt, District Manager, York County SWCD, Springvale, ME

Kira Jacobs, EPA New England, Source Water Collaborative, Boston, MA

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Banquet Happy HourFoyer

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Appreciation Banquet* Marquis Ballroom South-Center

Presiding: Earl Garber, President, NACD, Basile, LA

Master of Ceremonies:

Janet Adkison, President, National Association of Farm Broadcasting, Washington, DC

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NCF/Presidents Association Award Presentation:

Steve Robinson, NCF Chair and NACD Past President, Marysville, OH

Lee Bunting, President, Presidents Association, Dwight, IL

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Presenter: Jason Weller, Chief, NRCS, Washington, DC

NACD AWARDS

Friend of Conservation Award:

Friends of Wake Soil and Water Conservation District, Raleigh, NC

Distinguished Service Award: Jack Majeres, Chairman, Moody County Conservation District, Dell Rapids, SD

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

7:00 AM – 8:30 AM

Principal Legislative Contacts' Breakfast Meeting*

.....*Newport Beach-Rancho Las Palmas*

7:00 AM – 10:00 AM

NRCS Leadership Business Meeting*Elite 1-3**

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8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Registration Open.*Registration Counters*

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

NACD Board of Directors Meeting.*Marquis Ballroom North*

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

NARC&DC Update for RC&D Council Members

.....*Orange County Salon 1*

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Concurrent Workshops**

NCDEA WORKSHOP: SHARPEN UP YOUR

DISTRICT'S EDGE!.Grand Ballroom Salon A-B

An interactive, informative, hands-on session to provide you with the tools needed to move your district from slow to grow! Participants will learn how to build:

- **Board Capacity:** Diversity, recruitment, retaining experience
- **Technical Capacity:** Training plans, cross training, mentoring, shared resources
- **Financial Capacity:** Go Big—They got \$35 million—how can you?
- **Legislative Capacity:** Proper preparation—Getting your ducks in a row, plus—a legislative perspective
- **Partnership Capacity:** Making MOAs work for your

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program, maximizing partnerships to gain ground,
increasing public participation

Moderators: Carolyn Kelly, Pacific Region Director, NCDEA,
Mount Vernon, WA

Irene Moore, President, NCDEA, Wintersville, OH
Pam Hawkins, Vice President, NCDEA, New Bern, NC

Presenter: Rhonda Vetsch, Northern Plains Director, NCDEA
and District Clerk, Emmons County Soil Conservation
District, Linton, ND

PROJECT SOIL CONSERVATION K-12 CURRICULUM

..... Grand Ballroom Salon C-D

Be one of the first to experience this new curriculum developed by New Jersey Associations of Conservation Districts and Employees, with the support of the Natural Resources Conservation Service. The future of our nation depends on conservation of our natural resources. This curriculum addresses the origin, importance, and conservation of our soil, and also, indicators of soil health, in a coordinated set of classroom and field experiences for students. Participants will engage in hands on curriculum activities.

Moderator: Tim Thomas, Northeast Region Director,
NCDEA, Freehold, NJ

Presenters: Priscilla Hayes, NJ State Association
President, Robbinsville, NJ

Joe Lomax, NACD Board Member, Cape May
Courthouse, NJ
NJ District Employees

David Reilly, District Manager, Cape Atlantic Soil
Conservation District

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EPA 319 GRANT UPDATES AND TRAINING

..... Grand Ballroom Salon G-H

This workshop will inform conservation district staff and supervisors of new updates to the 319 program. Topics covered include:

- Meeting EPA's National Water Quality Goals through Local Partnerships.
- Panel Discussion: Conservation Districts and the Role of 319 Funding for Local Watershed Work.
- Why it is important to apply for a 319 grant.
- 319 Application Process—Tips for Applying for a Grant.

Moderator: Susan Schultz, Education & Stewardship
Specialist, NACD, Greenfield, IN

Presenters: Tom Wall, Director, Assessment and Watershed
Protection Division, US EPA, Washington, DC

Nancy Yoshikawa and Katie Flahive, Nonpoint
Source Control Branch, US EPA, Washington DC

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Lyla Dettmer, District Manager, Franklin SWCD,
Preston, ID

**Susan Schultz, Education & Stewardship
Specialist, NACD, Greenfield, IN**

**Mike Dupree, Watershed Conservationist/
Agricultural Development, Durham County
SWCD, Durham, NC**

**Gordon Younker, Executive Director, Utah
Association of Conservation Districts, North Logan, UT**

**Adriane Garayalde, District Administrator, Shasta
Valley Resource Conservation District, Yreka, CA**

WAKING THE SLEEPING GIANT: LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY TRAINING. Grand Ballroom Salon J-K

Interested in learning how you can become a more effective leader and advocate for conservation? Designed for conservation district officials, and made possible through the generous support of the Walton Family Foundation, this interactive training session led by former NRCS Chief Dave White will explore topics including: leadership expectations, political engagement, shaping public opinion, gaining positive media coverage and developing and expanding partnerships.

Moderators: **Connie Richmeier, Past President, NCDEA,**
Garden City, KS

**Jeanette Kennedy Hale, South Central Region
Director, NCDEA, Russellville, AR**

Presenters: **Dave White, NACD Strategic Consultant and
former Chief of NRCS, Washington, DC**

**Bethany Shively, Director of Communications,
NACD, Washington, DC**

12:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Tour: Achieve Conservation through Unique and Diverse Partnerships*. *Board buses at 12:15 p.m. in front of hotel.*

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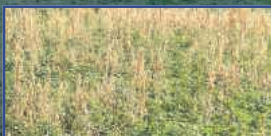
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