



10-Minute Supervisor Trainings

Kentucky Soil and Water Conservation Commission

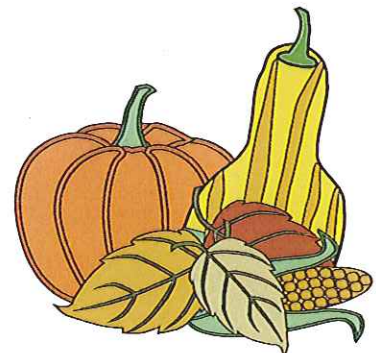
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Roles of the Soil and Water Conservation Commission and the Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts

It is important for district supervisors and employees to understand the roles of these 2 important groups. The interaction between the conservation district and these groups is essential to carrying out the programs on a state and county level.

Soil and Water Conservation Commission

- Created in 1946 by KRS 146.090
- Is made up by a group of 9 Commissioners, one for each of the 9 areas across the state
 - 2 candidates are selected at the area meetings.
 - 1 is appointed to serve a 4 year term by the Energy and Environment Cabinet Secretary and approved by the governor.
- Administers the State Cost Share Program, Agricultural District Program, Equipment and Infrastructure Loan Fund, Direct Aid, District in Good Standing and Incentive Per Diem Program.
- Appoints local supervisors to fill vacant positions on district boards.
- The Commission has the authority to take any action it may consider necessary or proper to assist Conservation Districts in carrying out their function, powers, duties, responsibilities and programs in accordance with KRS 262.
- Approves the creation of watershed conservancy districts and conservation districts.
- The executive officer for the Commission is the Director of the Division of Conservation (KRS 146.100).
- Current Commission Members:
 - Area 1 Scott Parsons (Christian County)
 - Area 2 John Denton, Chairman (Henderson County)
 - Area 3 Danny Shipley (Allen County)
 - Area 4 Ray Adams, Secretary (Jefferson County)
 - Area 5 Larry Varney (Campbell County)
 - Area 6 Billy Doolin (Garrard County)
 - Area 7 Jack Roberts (Wayne County)
 - Area 8 Carl Fannin, Vice Chairman (Elliott County)
 - Area 9 Peggy Conway (Perry County)



Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts (KACD)

- Created in 1951
- Represents all 121 Conservation District Board of Supervisors and Watershed Conservancy District Board of Directors.
- Is made up of directors from the nine areas across the state, a president, vice president and a secretary/treasurer.
- The directors are elected from a vote taken at the area meetings and serve up to 3 consecutive 2 year terms.
- KACD includes 10 committees (Legislative, District Outlook and Leadership Development, Forestry, Research, Soil Stewardship, Conservation Programs, Natural Resources, Public Information and Awards, Education and Youth and PL-566 Watersheds Issues).
- KACD sponsors an annual convention for conservation district supervisors and watershed district directors.
- KACD acts on behalf of local district regarding county district passed resolutions, legislative initiatives (both state and national levels), educational activities (Art and Writing Contest and Envirothon) and as a liaison to the National Association of Conservation Districts.
- Current KACD Directors:
 - Jeff Rice, President (Daviess County)
 - Dan Ellison, Vice President (Graves County)
 - David Rowlett, Treasurer, (Carroll County)
 - Kevin Jefferies, NACD Director (Oldham County)
 - Area 1 Director Rod Murphy (Lyon County)
 - Area 2 Director Shane Wells (Butler County)
 - Area 3 Director Randy London (Barren County)
 - Area 4 Director Joe Paul Mattingly (Marion County)
 - Area 5 Director David Rowlett (Carroll County)
 - Area 6 Director John Chism (Clark County)
 - Area 7 Director David Cowherd (Taylor County)
 - Area 8 Director Sanford Holbrook (Magoffin County)
 - Area 9 Director Stephen Richardson (Knott County)

Kentucky Division of Conservation

- Created in 1946 by KRS 146.080 (...The division shall consist of a Soil and Water Conservation Commission, a director, and such officers, employees and agents as the commission may deem necessary for carrying out the function of the division, through the commission and the director, to assist the soil and water conservation districts and watershed conservancy district organized under KRS Chapter 262 in carrying out the function, powers and duties conferred upon them by such chapter.)
- Administers SWCC and KACD programs
- Carries out the directives of the SWCC.