

Conservation District Location and Board Members

Dear Conservation District Leaders,

Please complete this survey covering Conservation District structure, community relationships, program participation, communications, and more. The survey is important to enable NACD to enhance our advocacy on your behalf as well as to provide more effective services for you.

Your feedback to this survey will reduce or eliminate the need for other NACD surveys throughout the year, and will provide us with an inventory of your needs.

It is important that your answers reflect a consensus or view of your full board of directors. Therefore please use a conference call, a board meeting, or some shared approach to ensure you have a consensus of your board's interests expressed.

We can only use one completed survey per District. Every Conservation District that completes the survey will be entered into a drawing for a FREE registration to attend NACD's 2019 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX. A summary and report on the survey will be made available at this meeting.

To best accommodate district board schedules, NACD will keep this survey open to submissions for 60 days until Monday, December 3.

For those Districts who would like to print a copy of the survey before you enter your information <u>click here</u> and it will take you to a web site where you can print the survey and use it as a work sheet.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to participate in this survey -- we look forward to hearing your voices.

* 1. Please provide the name of your Conservation District.	

Complete Address:		
Complete Phone Number:		
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3. In what state or U.S. territory is	your Conservation District located?	
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	background(s) of your Conservation	n District Board Members. (check
that apply)		— - · ·
Accounting/Bookkeeping	Forester or Forest Manager	Public Relations/Marketing/Communicat
Business Owner/Manager	Government - Federal level	Retiree
Contractor/Developer/Construction	Government - State level	Sales
Educator - college	Government - County/Municipal leve	
Educator - non-college	Health Industry	Scientist - social/psychological
Engineering	Information Technology	Urban farmer
Environmental Consultant	Law/Legal	Orban larmer
Farm/Ranch Owner or Operator/Manager	Media	
Other (please specify)		

5. Please list the NAME and EMAIL ADDRESS of all you	ar democration Biotrice (GB) Board memberer
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NACD	's 2019 Conservation District Su	ırvey
Conservation District Staff		
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Full-time staff		\$
Part-time staff		\$
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apply) Administrator/Executive Director/Manager Conservation Technician	If who are employed at your Conser Forester Hydrologist Information Technology Specialist	Planner Resource Conservationist Soil Scientist
Education Specialist Engineer	Landscape Architect	Urban Conservationist
Other (please specify)		



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Conservation District Operations	
8. Approximately what is your Conservation9. Approximately what percentage of funds sources? (Should add up to 100%)	District's most recent annual budget? does your Conservation District receive from the following
Municipal/Town Government	•
County Government	•
State Government	•
Federal Government	•
Private Funding	•
Donations	•
Fee for Services	\$
Product Sales	•
Levy Authority/Local Taxing Authority	\$
Other (please specify)	

Cooperative Agreements	•
Grants	•
11. Does your Conservation District ow	vn and/or lease office space?
Lease Own	
Other (please specify)	
•	our Conservation District co-located with? (Please check all tha
apply)	
Not co-located	Rural Development
Cooperative Extension Service	Private Business
FSA	NGOs
NRCS	
Other (please specify)	
	s your Conservation District has with the USDA. (check all that
apply)	
Equipment sharing (vehicles, computers, e	etc.)
Lease agreement	
Staff	
Telephone or Internet access	
Other (please specify)	
	stomers your Conservation District served during the last full fis
14. Please estimate the number of cus	,

Со	nservation District Board	\$
Loc	cal Work Group	•
	Over the past THREE (3) years, what t t apply)	raining has your District Board members received? (select a
	Budget/Accounting	Personnel Management
	Communications	Responsibilities of a Conservation District Board and D
	Farm Bill and other programs	Authorities
	Information Technology	Strategic Planning
	Legal	Social Interaction/Customer Relations
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	Other (please specify)	
17.	Please select one training area that yo	ur Conservation District Board members would benefit most
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18.	What training is needed by district staff? (check all that apply)	
	Equipment Management	
	Watershed Operations	
	Information/Education/Outreach	
	Financial Records & Reporting	
	Board Meetings	
	Timekeeping & Payroll	
	Conservation Education & Outreach	
	Personnel Management & Supervision	
	Conservation Technical Skills	
	Other (please specify)	
	Does the district have committees? (check all that apply)	
	Audit	
	Awards	
	By-Law	
	Communications	
	Events	
	Grant	
	Legislative/Government Affairs	
	Member Services	
	Nominating	
	Past President's	
	Policy & Procedure	
	Professional Development	
	Scholarship	
	Stewardship/Education	
	Strategic Plan	
	Other (please specify)	

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	Air Quality
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	Endangered Species
	Energy Efficiency
	Farmland Protection
	Flood Protection
	Floodplain Managment
	Forestry
	Invasive Species
	Grazing Land
	Nutrient Management
	Pollinators
	Small Watershed Dam Rehabilitation
	Soil Health
	Stormwater Management
	Stream Restoration
	Urban & Community Conservation
	Water Quality
	Water Quanitity
	Wetland Protection
	Wildfire Mitigation/Rehabilitation
	Wildlife Habitat
	Other (please specify)
23. ا	Has your Conservation District run a successful fundraising campaign?
\bigcirc	Yes
	No
	If so, please provide a description of the campaign

Yes			
No			
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If so, what were those diffi	cuities?		



District Relationship with USDA and NRCS

25. Please rank the strength of the relationship your Conservation District has with the NRCS District Conservationist/Technical Staff who serve your Conservation District.								
Extremely Strong	Strong	Average		Weak	Extremely Weak	N/A		
	e Federal resou	rce tools your Con	serv		uses. (select all tha			
AgLearn Electronic Field Off	ice Technical Guide	(eFOTG)		NRCS Web So	ng Procedures Handbook il Survey	(
Land Evaluation Sit	Land Evaluation Site Assessment (LESA) Protracts							
National Catalog of Erosion and Sediment Control Toolkit								
National Conservation Practice Standards (NCPS) Urban Hydrology for Small Watersheds (TR-55)								
Other (please specify)								

Agency/District Coordination Farm Bill Programs Internet Services Outreach Materials Staff Training	
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Other	
Other	
Other (please specify)	



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28.	Please rate	the U	SEFUL	NESS (of the	following	NACD	services	and	communicat	ions	methods.

	Extremely Useful	Useful	Moderately Useful	Somewhat Useful	Not At All Useful	Not satisfied	N/A or Don't Know
Advocacy							
Envirothon							
Grassroots Messages							
Policy Position Papers							
eResources (distributed every Tuesday)							
The Resource (distributed quarterly)							
Conservation Clip List (distributed every Friday)							
Forestry Notes (distributed monthly)							
Urban & Community Webinars							
District Operation Training Program							
District Training Recognition Program							
Soil Health Champions Network							
Conservation Planning Bootcamp							
Educational Materials							
Online Store							
NACD Meetings							

Please provide more details if you chose "not satisfied" for any of the services and communications listed above.

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Conservation District's Budg	get					
Receiving an invoice						
Familiarity of services receive	/ed					
Value of services received						
Other (please specify)						
30. Are there services th	nat would ent	ice your District	to pay dues if no	ot paying now	<i>l</i> ?	
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Programs and Natural Resources

36. Please rate the IMPORTANCE of the following Federal and Farm Bill Conservation Programs to your Conservation District.

	Very Important	Important	Moderately Important	Unimportant	Very Unimportant	N/A
Agricultural Conservation Easement Program						
Conservation Technical Assistance (i.e., also source of cooperative agreements, etc.)						
Conservation Reserve Program (CREP)						
Conservation Stewardship Program						
Emergency Watershed Protection Program						
Environmental Quality Incentives Program						
EPA Brownfields						
EPA 319 Nonpoint Source Grants						
FEMA						
Forest Service, State and Private Forestry Programs						
Grassroots Source Water Protection Program						
Regional Conservation Partnership Program						
Small Watershed Rehabilitation Program						
Small Watershed Protection Program						
Voluntary Public Access and Habitat Incentive Programs						

Air Quality	Grazing Land	Urban Agriculture
Erosion and Sediment Control	Natural Resources	Urban Conservation
Energy Efficiency	Nutrient Management	Urban Forestry
Farmland Protection	Pollinators	Water Quality
Flood Protection	Small Watershed Dam Rehabilitati	on Water Quantity
Floodplain Management	Soil Health	Wetland Protection
Forestry	Stormwater Management	Wildfire Mitigation/Rehabilitation
Invasive Species	Stream Restoration	Wildlife Habitat
Other (please specify)		



Communications

Comm	idilications	
38.	Which communication method is the best way for	your Conservation District to receive information?
	Арр	Phone
	Email (e.g., action alerts from NACD leaders)	Text message
	Electronic publications (e.g., eResource and Conservation Clip List)	Website
	Mail	
	Other (please specify)	
39.	How often would you prefer to receive communication	ations from NACD?
	Daily	Multiple times per month
	Multiple times per week	Once monthly
	Once weekly	
	Other (please specify)	

	How do you prefer to receive information (training, opportunities, communication, updates, etc.) from CD or other organizations?
	Email
	Website
	NACD Newsletter
	Farm/conservation publications/newsletters
	Traditional Media
	Phone call
	Webinars
	Text message
	Mailer
	Facebook
	Twitter
	Instagram
	NACD App
	Other (please specify)
41.	How do you consume media?
	Traditional print newspaper
	Online newspaper
	TV/News
	Radio
	Facebook
	Twitter
	LinkedIn

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42. How often do you check NACD's website?	
Once a day	
Couple times a week	
Once a week	
Once a month	
Rarely	
Never	



NACD'S 2019 Conservation District Survey
Comment Page
43. Please add any requests, comments, or observations that would help NACD improve the services we provide to your Conservation District or your customers.



NACD Events 44. How often do you attend NACD events? Three to four times a year Twice a year Once a year Rarely Never 45. Which of the following NACD events have you attended? Annual meeting Summer meeting Region meeting Spring Fly-In Webinars Other (please specify)

46. What entices y	ou to attend NACD events?
Speakers	
Training	
Networking	
General sessions	
Breakout session	S
Expo	
Tours	
Other (please spe	ecify)



National Conservation Foundation	
47. How familiar are you with what the National Conservation Foundation (NCF) does?	
Very familiar	
Familiar	
Not at all familiar	
I've heard of them, but have no idea what they do	
I have never heard of them and have no idea what they do	
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