

18th Annual Conservation District Watershed Specialist Meeting
Toftrees Golf Resort & Conference Center, State College, PA
October 10-11, 2018

Wednesday, October 10

All sessions are in Silver Maple I unless otherwise noted

Beginning at 7:00 am	Breakfast Served in the Restaurant <i>Breakfast vouchers will be provided to those staying over.</i>
8:00 am to 9:00 am	Registration (Conference Center Foyer)
9:00 am to 9:15 am	Opening Remarks Scott Carney, Chief, Watershed Support Section, DEP
9:15 am to 10:45 am	Alternative Restoration Plans Scott Heidel, Water Program Specialist, DEP <i>This session will discuss the definition and development of an Alternative Restoration Plan, how these plans can help to improve water quality, and how they fit into Pennsylvania's water quality efforts.</i>
10:45 am to 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am to 12:00 am	Invasive Species Update Trilby Libhart, Botanist, PA Department of Agriculture <i>Participants will get the latest scoop on the Spotted Lanternfly and learn about a number of plant invasives of concern that are on the move in Pennsylvania.</i>
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	Lunch (Aspen Room)
1:15 pm to 2:15 pm	Regional Breakouts with Watershed Managers
2:15 pm to 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Project Showcase <ul style="list-style-type: none">✧ Restoration of the Deer Creek Watershed: The Ongoing Journey Kelly Williams, Clearfield County Conservation District✧ Good Springs – Pine Grove and Tremont Projects Wayne Lehman, Schuylkill Conservation District✧ The Watershed Approach in a Rural Agriculture Valley Scott Alexander, Fulton County Conservation District
2:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Watershed Managers Meeting
4:30 pm	Gather for Group Photo <i>Location will be determined by weather.</i>
4:45 pm to 5:45 pm	Photo Contest and Networking (Aspen Room)
6:00 pm	End of Day's Activities – Dinner on Your Own

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8:00 am to 10:00 am	CONCURRENT SESSIONS During registration, participants can choose either <i>PAOneStop 101</i> OR Grant Writing/Bidding and <i>Partnering with DCNR</i> . Limited seats for the PAOneStop session are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
8:00 am to 10:00 am	PAOneStop 101 Bob Neiderer, The Pennsylvania State University <i>Participants will learn how to help farmers meet regulatory requirements for conservation and nutrient management planning by creating Agricultural Erosion and Sedimentation plans.</i>
OPTION TWO	Grant Writing and the Bidding Process (8-9 am) Amy Salansky, Program Manager, PACD Mark Metzler, Group Manager and Senior Environmental Scientist, Rettew <i>Participants will learn the basics of writing winning proposals, including the essential components of the bidding process.</i> Partnering with DCNR to Implement BMPs (9-10 am) Nick Decker, Park Manager and Aquatic Specialist, DCNR Bureau of State Parks <i>Learn how partnering with DCNR State Parks on water quality best management practices can benefit conservation districts and water quality.</i>
10:00 am to 10:15 am	Break
10:15 am to 12:15 am	Macroinvertebrate Identification Workshops <i>Entomology staff from the Stroud Water Research Center will lead concurrent crash-courses on macroinvertebrate identification as an indicator of stream health (for both beginner and intermediate/advanced participants).</i>
12:15 pm to 1:15 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm to 2:30 pm	Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none">✧ SRBC Mine Drainage Data Portal<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Tom Clark, Susquehanna River Basin Commission✧ Rain Garden Construction<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Eric Konzelmann, Montgomery County Conservation District✧ Web Soil Survey<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Yuri Plowden, USDA NRCS✧ Lake and Reservoir BMPs and Funding Sources<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ed Molesky, Aqua Link, Inc.
2:30 pm to 2:45 pm	Break
2:45 pm to 3:45 pm	Breakout Sessions Repeat
3:45 pm	Turn in Evaluation Forms and Depart <i>Thank you for being a part of this year's meeting. We wish you safe travels!</i>