Board of Supervisors Meeting February 12, 2019, 10:00 AM Mill Run Ag Service Center, Parkersburg, WV

Attending were:

\* Supervisors Attending • Supervisors by Conference Call

Ivan Banks, Ritchie County \*Bob Buchanan, Wood County \*Dexter Graham, Wood County \*Mike Nichols, Ritchie County \*Sam Sheets, Roane County •Thanh Ashman, Roane County \*Roger Shaver, Wirt County \*Roseann Adams, Wirt County

#### Others attending or • Others by Conference Call:

Delmas Carr, Wood County Associate Supervisor Matt Murphy, NRCS Kim Fisher, WVCA DJ Allen, LK RC&D Kaitlyn Murphy, WVCA Mikayla Hayes, LKCD Jessica Nichols, WVCA

Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance -

- Mike Nichols called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
- Pledge led by Delmas Carr and recited by all.

#### District Business

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Bob Buchanan and second by Sam Sheets. Majority approved. Motion carried.

Approval of Financial Reported Items

- Dexter Graham discussed surety bonding. Will have quotes for the next board meeting.
- Reports are on pages 1-16 of the District meeting packet.
- Motion to accept the financial report was made by Bob Buchanan and second by Roger Shaver. Majority approved. Motion carried. Filed for audit.

Approval of Cooperators

Agreements – Curtis Helmic Jr. – Calhoun – 247 acres - Updated Matt Painter – Roane – 120 acres Brian Fields – Roane Kim Davis – Roane Jackie Strickland – Roane John King – Roane Kevin Townsend – Wood – 350 acres Crystal & Dana Wheeler – Wood – 99.5 acres

Terminations - None

Sam Sheets made motion to approve the new cooperators and second by Roger Shaver. Majority approved. Motion carried.

#### Correspondence - Non-Action Items

- Information contained within the District meeting packet on pages 17-33.
- District meeting packet on pages 28-29. It was stated that anyone can clean out streams as long as they didn't put machines in the stream bed. Stream clean out was discussed at yesterday's O&M meeting as stated by Bob Buchanan. Bob Buchanan discussed meeting and new agreements for O&M funding. New agreement that will allow stream work under the aspis of the County Commissions within the counties. Brian Farkas stated at that meeting, there will be additional funds becoming available. Discussed in-kind contributions. The City of Parkersburg would like to increase the amount of funds that they contribute on a yearly basis.

#### Correspondence - Action Items -

• Winter Dinner Education Meeting Fund Request – District meeting packet page 34. *Motion to approve \$250.00 in sponsorship of the educational meeting was made by Roseann Adams and second by Dexter Graham. Majority approved. Motion carried.* 

#### **Report of Agencies and Others**

LKCD Associate Supervisors Report Delmas Carr stated there is nothing to report at this time.

Field Staff Report, NRCS, District, Jason Crislip

- Matt Murphy reported that they are moving ahead with farm contracts.
- Waiting on the finalization of the new Farm Bill.
- The new feed pad design hasn't moved forward so they are using the original still.

Field Staff Report, LKCD, Mikayla Hayes

• Discussed report on pages 35-36 of the District meeting packet. There are rental funds setting at JSC to pick up.

• Forage Testing – Micro Testing. Discussed various available tests and cost. Roger Shaver moved to give one free micro testing in lieu of two free basic tests second by Dexter Graham. Majority approved. Motion carried.

Field Staff Report, Forestry

- Report on page 37 of the District meeting packet.
- Youth Environmental Day is May 18th. Mikayla Hayes and Thanh Ashman will work on a table for there.

Field Staff Report, WVCA

Report on page 38 of the District meeting packet. Please call with any questions.

FSA, Eleanor Porter Newsletter included in District meeting packet on pages 39-40.

WV DNR Report, Jeff McCrady Unable to attend

LK RC&D Report

- DJ Allen stated that they are looking to cut cost of mowing.
- There is water standing along the building which needs addressed.
- Planning for the gardens.
- Using the open trailer as a platform to develop a maple syrup demonstration to move around the state.
- Truck in on the 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Mini grant applications are being accepted. Dexter Graham will sign one for the district and give it to DJ Allen today.

Solid Waste Authority Report

- Discussed recycle collection point on South Side. Collections days will start soon. Bob Buchanan will bring a list of these collection days at the next meeting. Covers will be put over recycling to make it better.
- They will have items to give away at the Youth Environmental Days.

WVU Extension

- Unable to attend.
- Sam Sheets talked about he and Roseann Adams attending the Jr. Master Gardener Training organized by Roane County Extension. Thanh Ashman attended another training as she was unavailable that day. There were portions that weren't available at the one she attended that she hopes to get at a future training.

#### Special Items of Interest

Emergency Watershed Program/Stream Protection & Restoration Program Nothing at this time.

North Fork Hughes River Updates & Issues

- Debris Removal Update Bob Buchanan stated that they were told by Brian Farkas that there will be a large pool of funds to use for a boom to divert debris and that it will cover the entire cost. Setting up a meeting with Ed Gaunch, WV Secretary of Commerce. Looking for participating funds. Discussion of the design of the dam. Lengthy discussion ensued.
- Gas Well Update Nothing at this time.

#### Conservation Farmers

Outstanding Cooperative Farmer. Will work with NRCS on the selection of farmers. Delmas Carr will set up a Committee meeting.

#### Century Farms

There are three applications. Wilson Farm, Pennsboro; Haddix Farm, Berea; Meadow Family Farm, Calhoun County. *Motion to approve pending verification was made by Bob Buchanan and second by Roseann Adams. Majority approved. Motion carried.* 

#### Personnel Plan

District meeting packet on page 41. Discussed increase of anticipated cost for Conservation Specialist from \$15,000 to \$20,000. Bob Buchanan moved to state anticipated cost for Conservation Specialist \$20,000 and \$57,055 anticipated cost for District Supervisors. Second by Roger Shaver. Majority approved. Motion carried.

#### Landjudging Contest

Motion to sponsor a District landjudging contest in Wood County was made by Dexter Graham and second by Sam Sheets. Majority approved. Motion carried. Dexter Graham will work to set this up.

Project for High Tunnel Improvements & Workshop - Pleasant Hill Ele. School

- Information on page 42 of the District meeting packet.
- Referred to LK RC&D Council for water and electric.
- Motion to purchase pollinator seed and nutrients in the amount of \$100 was made by Roseann Adams. Motion rescinded.

Jr. Conservation Camp Sponsorship of Event

Information on pages 43-45 of the District meeting packet. Motion to sponsor five campers at \$175 per camper was made by Roseann Adams. Second by Roger Shaver. Majority approved. Motion carried.

#### Local, National & State Meeting Report

Envirothon Committee

- Sam Sheets stated that transporting during the contest is taken care of.
- Next meetings are the first Wednesday of March in Flatwoods and the first Wednesday in April at Canaan Valley.
- Information regarding a team from the District can be found on pages 30-31 of the District meeting packet.

Appalachian Grazing Conference Committee

March 7th-9th in Morgantown. Rooms are starting to run short.

Grazing Land Committee

This is the old Grassland Committee. There is a meeting coming up. Information will be sent to Roseann Adams to start attending the meeting. Mike Nichols has requested the information as well.

WVACD Meeting

Bob Buchanan presented the information regarding changing to a one-day meeting, but it met with resistance. The by-laws are a work in progress.

#### Active District Committee Reports

Equipment Committee - Set date to inspect equipment

- Meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>, will meet at the Mill Run Ag Service Center at 8:30 a.m. and drive to Spencer.
- Farmers have paid for parts for repair of equipment.

Ag Enhancement Committee/Report Nothing at this time.

Budget Committee

- Are there funds to invest? More information at the next board meeting.
- The budget for next year will be coming due within the next 45 days. A budget meeting will need to be set.

#### District Manager, Jessica Nichols

Reported that she had a meeting with Loss Control. It was suggested to set up a Safety Committee to help reduce cost on insurance. Bob Buchanan moves to set up Safety Committee for one year to see if it reduces the cost of the liability insurance. Second by Roger Shaver. Majority approved. Motion carried.

#### WVCA Report, Kim Fisher

• Report in District meeting packet on pages 46-47.

- April 22nd & 23rd are the next Quarterly Meeting dates at Pipestem State Park.
- State AgEP meeting to be scheduled.
- District news section to be added to the monthly report.

#### **Closing Activities**

Calendar of Events	
February 18th –	Presidents Day, Holiday, Office Closed
March 12th -	District Board Meeting – Mill Run Ag Center, 10:00 a.m.
April 16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup>	Envirothon Competition
April 22nd & 23rd -	WVACD Quarterly Meeting - Pipestem State Park
July 15th & 16th -	WVCA Quarterly Meeting - Highlands Event Center, Triadelphia
October 21st & 22nd	-WVACD Quarterly Meeting - Flatwoods

Motion to Adjourn -

Motion to adjourn was made by Roger Shaver and second by Dexter Graham. Majority approved. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

These minutes respectfully submitted by Roseann Adams, LKCD Secretary and Jessica Nichols, Recorder.

Mike Nichols, LKCD Chairman

Roseann Adams, LKCD Secretary

Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_

#### In this packet you will find:

#### Financial & Agreement Information

- Pages 1-2 District Trial Balance Sheet
- Page 3 District Account Receivables
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- Pages 14-15 Co-Administered Checks
- Page 16 Co-Administered Receivables

#### **Non-Action Items**

Pages 17-25	WV State Conservation Committee Draft Minutes
Pages 26-27	WV Conservation Awards Council Draft Minutes
Pages 28-29	Removal of Wood Debris Brochure
Pages 30-31	Roane County FFA Envirothon Information
Pages 32-33	Up Coming Workshops – Southern & Western

#### **Action Items**

Page 34 Winter Dinner Education Meeting Fund Request

#### Items late or later in the agenda

Pages 35-36	LKCD District Staff Report
Page 37	Forestry Report
Page 38	WVCA Field Staff Report
Pages 39-40	FSA Newsletters
Page 41	LKCD Personnel Plan
Page 42	Project for High Tunnel Improvements & Workshop -
	Pleasant Hill Elementary School Information
Pages 43-45	Jr Conservation Camper Information
Pages 46-47	WVCA Report

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02/11/19 Accrual Basis

#### Little Kanawha Consevation District Trial Balance As of June 30, 2019

	Jun 3	80, 19
	Debit	Credit
CDO Fundes United 0704	85,036.51	
General Fund Checking Peoples	0.00	
General Fund Peoples Bank CD	0.00	
LKCD Account United 1779	55,414.01	
LKCD Projects United 1752 LKCD Projects United 1752:2nd CD - Part of checking	188,722.12 41,550.07	
LKCD Projects United 1752:2D - Part of checking 1752	0.00	
Set-up account - Do-Not Use	0.00	
Accounts Receivable	3,845.56	
Due From Receiving Account	0.00	
Undeposited Funds	1,790.79	37.00
Video Equipment Fixed Assets	94,981.02	
Furniture and Equipment	17,800.00	
Accumulated Depreciation		74,587.18
Fed W/H Tax	123.24	
Prepayment Liability	45.00	4 5 40 00
Accounts Payable		1,540.00 342,854.00
Pass Through Money from State Payroll Liabilities		8,864.39
WV Income Tax W/H	1,523.96	0,001.00
Fund Balance		137,122.96
Unrestricted Net Assets	110,281.71	
Equipment Rental Income		340.00 250.00
Equipment Rental Income:2 Ton Lime Spreader #11 Equipment Rental Income:2 Ton Lime Spreader #7		350.00
Equipment Rental Income:2 Ton Lime Spreader #5		100.00
Equipment Rental Income:4 Ton Lime Spreader #4		140.00
Equipment Rental Income: 2 Ton Lime Spreader #2		200.00
Equipment Rental Income:No Till Drill #1	20.00	1,871.00
Equipment Rental Income:Weed Wiper #9 Equipment Rental Income:2 Ton Lime Spreader #6	26.00	250.00
Equipment Rental Income:No Till Drill #8		1,837.50
Equipment Rental Income:Weed Wiper #3		250.00
Interest Revenue		646.52
Interfund Transfer		93,880.96
Investments:Interest-Savings, Short-term CD Sales Income		122.12 3.742.83
Sales Revenue		4,900.76
Services/Work Crew Revenue		221.00
Equipment Expenses:4 Ton Lime Spreader #4	336.17	
Equipment Expenses:2 Ton Lime Spreader #7	296.00	
Equipment Expenses:No Till Drill #8 Equipment Expenses:Weed Wiper #3	65.50 1,590.50	
Equipment Expenses:2 Ton Lime Spreader #2	1,356.83	
Equipment Expenses:No Till Drill #1	0.79	
Cost of Goods Sold	5,827.86	
Supervisor Expense: Income to Offset Supervisor Exp	0.00	
Supervisor Expense:Travel, Mileage, Meal Reimburse Supervisor Expense:Per Diem Pay	9,102.36 10,800.00	
Advertising/Marketing	1,100.89	
Bank Fees	20.00	
Conference Registration	450.00	
Facilities and Equipment:Rent, Parking, Utilities Forage Testing	4,720.00 165.30	
Legal & Professional Fees	6,500.00	
Maintenance & Repairs	372.85	
Meals & Entertainment	830.08	
Operations:Books, Subscriptions, Reference	5,704.45	
Operations:Postage, Mailing Service Operations:Supplies	278.36 2,020.24	
Operations: Telephone, Telecommunications	907.31	
Other Types of Expenses:Insurance - Liability, D and O	1,522.00	
Payroll - Salaries	13,644.00	



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	Jun 3	30, 19
	Debit	Credit
Payroll - State Unemployment	415.42	
Payroll - Taxes	1,947.94	
Payroll - Workers Compensation	210.00	
Sponsorship Expense	1,250.00	
Supplies - Events	101.16	
Supplies - Office	633.80	
Travel and Meetings:Conference, Convention, Meeting	150.00	
Travel and Meetings:Travel	648.42	
TOTAL	674,108.22	674,108.22



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#### Little Kanawha Consevation District Check Detail

January 2019

Туре	Num	Date	Name	ltem	Account	Paid Amount	Original Amount	
Check		01/31/2019			LKCD Account		-2.95	
					Fed W/H Tax	-2.95	2.95	
TOTAL						-2.95	2.95	
Bill Pmt -Check	2028	01/09/2019	Shirt Tales		CDO Fundes Un		-603.76	
Bill	INV	10/10/2017			Supplies	-603.76	603.76	
TOTAL						-603.76	603.76	
Bill Pmt -Check	2029	01/16/2019	National Waters		CDO Fundes Un		-75.00	
Bill		01/11/2019			Books, Subscripti	-75.00	75.00	
TOTAL						-75.00	75.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	2030	01/16/2019	Roane County C		CDO Fundes Un		-450.00	
Bill		12/11/2018			Conference Regi	-450.00	450.00	
TOTAL						-450.00	450.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	2031	01/23/2019	Shirt Tales		CDO Fundes Un		-754.52	
Bill	INV	01/17/2019			Supplies	-754.52	754.52	
TOTAL						-754.52	754.52	
Bill Pmt -Check	2657	01/02/2019	Boyles Develop		LKCD Account		-385.00	
Bill		01/01/2019			Rent, Parking, Uti	-385.00	385.00	
TOTAL						-385.00	385.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	2658	01/02/2019	CAS Cable		LKCD Account		-129.68	
Bill		12/14/2018			Telephone, Telec	-129.68	129.68	
TOTAL						-129.68	129.68	
Bill Pmt -Check	2659	01/02/2019	Grass Works Ma		LKCD Account		-394.50	
Bill		12/12/2018			2 Ton Lime Spre	-394.50	394.50	
TOTAL						-394.50	394.50	
Paycheck	2660	01/03/2019	MIKAYLA D HAY		LKCD Account		-559.60	
					Payroll - Salaries Payroll Liabilities	-672.00 36.00	672.00 -36.00	
					Payroll - Taxes	-41.66	41.66	
					Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities	41.66 41.66	-41.66 -41.66	
					Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities	-9.74 9.74	9.74 -9.74	
					Payroll Liabilities	9.74	-9.74	
					Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities	-4.03 4.03	4.03 -4.03	
					Payroll Liabilities	25.00	-25.00	

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Туре	Num	Date	Name	Item	Account	Paid Amount	Original Amount
					Payroll - State Un Payroll Liabilities	-20.83 20.83	20.83 -20.83
TOTAL						-559.60	559.60
Liability Check	2661	01/07/2019	West Virginia St		LKCD Account		-109.00
1993 a					Payroll Liabilities	-109.00	109.00
TOTAL					ola Lon 🗶 contactor and an and proved to the	-109.00	109.00
Liability Check	2662	01/07/2019	United States Tr		LKCD Account		-1,766.30
					Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities	-367.00 -567.05 -567.05 -132.60 -132.60	367.00 567.05 567.05 132.60 132.60
TOTAL						-1,766.30	1,766.30
Liability Check	2663	01/07/2019	WV Unemploym		LKCD Account		-118.03
					Payroll Liabilities	-118.03	118.03
TOTAL						-118.03	118.03
Bill Pmt -Check	2664	01/09/2019	Quill.com		LKCD Account		-48.78
Bill	3831	01/02/2019			Supplies - Office	-48.78	48.78
TOTAL						-48.78	48.78
Bill Pmt -Check	2665	01/09/2019	United Bankcard		LKCD Account		-10.70
Bill		12/27/2018			Books, Subscripti	-10.70	10.70
TOTAL						-10.70	10.70
Bill Pmt -Check	2666	01/16/2019	Bob Buchannan		LKCD Account		-30.51
Bill		12/31/2018			Travel, Mileage,	-30.51	30.51
TOTAL						-30.51	30.51
Bill Pmt -Check	2667	01/16/2019	Ivan Banks.		LKCD Account		-73.49
Bill		12/31/2018			Travel, Mileage,	-73.49	73.49
TOTAL						-73.49	73.49
Bill Pmt -Check	2668	01/16/2019	Mike Nichols		LKCD Account		-122.58
Bill		12/31/2018			Travel, Mileage,	-122.58	122.58
TOTAL						-122.58	122.58



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#### January 2019

Туре	Num	Date	Name	ltem	Account	Paid Amount	Original Amount
Bill Pmt -Check	2669	01/16/2019	Quill.com		LKCD Account		-89.97
Bill	4066	01/09/2019			Supplies - Office	-89.97	89.97
TOTAL						-89.97	89.97
Bill Pmt -Check	2670	01/16/2019	Roger Shaver.		LKCD Account		-102.72
Bill		12/31/2018			Travel, Mileage,	-102.72	102.72
TOTAL						-102.72	102.72
Bill Pmt -Check	2671	01/16/2019	Sam Sheets		LKCD Account		-1,674.83
Bill Bill		12/31/2018 12/31/2018			Travel, Mileage, Travel, Mileage,	-1,320.60 -354.23	1,320.60 354.23
TOTAL		1210112010			(1010), (Iniougo,	-1,674.83	1,674.83
Paycheck	2672	01/17/2019	MIKAYLA D HAY		LKCD Account		-559.58
					Payroll - Salaries Payroll Liabilities Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll State Un Payroll Liabilities	-672.00 36.00 -41.67 41.67 -9.75 9.75 9.75 -4.03 4.03 25.00 -20.83 20.83	672.00 -36.00 41.67 -41.67 9.75 -9.75 -9.75 4.03 -4.03 -25.00 20.83 -20.83
TOTAL						-559.58	559.58
Paycheck	2673	01/17/2019	IVAN B BANKS		LKCD Account		-129.29
					Per Diem Pay Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities Payroll - State Un Payroll Liabilities	-140.00 -8.68 8.68 8.68 -2.03 2.03 2.03 -0.84 0.84 -4.34 4.34	140.00 8.68 -8.68 2.03 -2.03 -2.03 0.84 -0.84 4.34 -4.34
TOTAL						-129.29	129.29



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Туре	Num	Date	Name	Item	Account	Paid Amount	Original Amount
Paycheck	2674	01/17/2019	K. ROBERT BUC		LKCD Account		-147.76
					Per Diem Pay	-160.00	160.00
					Payroll - Taxes	-9.92	9.92
					Payroll Liabilities	9.92	-9.92
					Payroll Liabilities	9.92 -2.32	-9.92 2.32
					Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities	2.32	-2.32
					Payroll Liabilities	2.32	-2.32
					Payroll - Taxes	-0.96	0.96
					Payroll Liabilities	0.96	-0.96
					Payroll - State Un	-4.96	4.96
					Payroll Liabilities	4.96	-4.96
TOTAL						-147.76	147.76
Paycheck	2675	01/17/2019	MICHAEL D NIC		LKCD Account		-219.64
					Per Diem Pay	-240.00	240.00
					Payroll - Taxes	-14.88	14.88
					Payroll Liabilities	14.88	-14.88
					Payroll Liabilities	14.88	-14.88 3.48
					Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities	-3.48 3.48	-3.48
					Payroll Liabilities	3.48	-3.48
					Payroll - Taxes	-1.44	1.44
					Payroll Liabilities	1.44	-1.44
					Payroll Liabilities	2.00	-2.00
					Payroll - State Un Payroll Liabilities	-7.44 7.44	7.44 -7.44
TOTAL						-219.64	219.64
Paycheck	2676	01/17/2019	ROGER L SHAV		LKCD Account		-178.70
145.0					Per Diem Pay	-200.00	200.00
					Payroll - Taxes	-12.40	12.40
					Payroll Liabilities	12.40	-12.40
					Payroll Liabilities	12.40	-12.40
					Payroll - Taxes	-2.90	2.90
					Payroll Liabilities	2.90 2.90	-2.90 -2.90
					Payroll Liabilities Payroll - Taxes	-1.20	1.20
					Payroll Liabilities	1.20	-1.20
					Payroll Liabilities	6.00	-6.00
					Payroll - State Un	-6.20	6.20
					Payroll Liabilities	6.20	-6.20
TOTAL						-178.70	178.70
Paycheck	2677	01/17/2019	SAMUEL M SHE		LKCD Account		-844.20
					Per Diem Pay	-1,030.00	1,030.00
					Payroll Liabilities	71.00	-71.00
					Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities	-63.86 63.86	63.86 -63.86
					Payroll Liabilities	63.86	-63.86
					Payroll - Taxes	-14.94	14.94
					Payroll Liabilities	14.94	-14.94
					Payroll Liabilities	14.94	-14.94
					Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities	-6.18 6.18	6.18 -6.18
					Payroll Liabilities	36.00	-36.00

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Туре	Num	Date	Name	Item	Account	Paid Amount	Original Amount
					Payroll - State Un Payroll Liabilities	-31.93 31.93	31.93 -31.93
TOTAL						-844.20	844.20
Bill Pmt -Check	2678	01/23/2019	CAS Cable		LKCD Account		-129.68
Bill		01/15/2019			Telephone, Telec	-129.68	129.68
TOTAL						-129.68	129.68
Bill Pmt -Check	2679	01/23/2019	Dexter Graham.		LKCD Account		-92.71
Bill		12/31/2018			Travel, Mileage,	-92.71	92.71
TOTAL						-92.71	92.71
Bill Pmt -Check	2680	01/23/2019	Perry & Associat		LKCD Account		-2,500.00
Bill	91727	12/31/2018			Legal & Professio	-2,500.00	2,500.00
TOTAL						-2,500.00	2,500.00
Bill Pmt -Check	2681	01/23/2019	Quill.com		LKCD Account		-102.82
Bill	4210	01/14/2019			Supplies - Office	-102.82	102.82
TOTAL						-102.82	102.82
Paycheck	2682	01/24/2019	DEXTER F GRA		LKCD Account		-147.76
					Per Diem Pay	-160.00	160.00
					Payroll - Taxes Payroll Liabilities	-9.92 9.92	9.92 -9.92
					Payroll Liabilities	9.92	-9.92
					Payroll - Taxes	-2.32	2.32
					Payroll Liabilities	2.32	-2.32
					Payroll Liabilities Payroll - Taxes	2.32	-2.32 0.96
					Payroll Liabilities	0.96	-0.96
					Payroll - State Un	-4.96	4.96
TOTAL					Payroll Liabilities	<u>4.96</u> -147.76	<u>-4.96</u> 147.76
Bill Pmt -Check	2683	01/31/2019	Boyles Develop		LKCD Account		-385.00
Bill		02/01/2019			Rent, Parking, Uti	-385.00	385.00
		02/01/2015			Kent, Funding, Out.	-385.00	385.00
TOTAL						-365.00	
Bill Pmt -Check	2684	01/31/2019	Perry & Associat		LKCD Account		-4,000.00
Bill Bill	90962 91814	09/30/2018 12/31/2018			Legal & Professio Legal & Professio	-2,000.00 -2,000.00	2,000.00 2,000.00
TOTAL						-4,000.00	4,000.00

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#### Little Kanawha Consevation District **Check Detail** January 2019

Туре	Num	Date	Name	Item	Account	Paid Amount	Original Amount
Paycheck	2685	01/31/2019	MIKAYLA D HAY		LKCD Account		-695.83
					Payroll - Salaries	-852.00	852.00
					Payroll Liabilities	58.00	-58.00
					Payroll - Taxes	-52.82	52.82
					Payroll Liabilities	52.82	-52.82
					Payroll Liabilities	52.82	-52.82
					Payroll - Taxes	-12.35	12.35
					Payroll Liabilities	12.35	-12.35
					Payroll Liabilities	12.35	-12.35
					Payroll - Taxes	-5.12	5.12
					Payroll Liabilities	5.12	-5.12
					Payroll Liabilities	33.00	-33.00
					Payroll - State Un	-26.42	26.42
					Payroll Liabilities	26.42	-26.42
TOTAL						-695.83	695.83

TOTAL



#### 02/11/19 Accrual Basis

#### Little Kanawha Consevation District Profit & Loss July 2018 through June 2019

	Jul '18 - Jun 19
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income Equipment Rental Income 2 Ton Lime Spreader #11	250.00
2 Ton Lime Spreader #7	350.00 100.00
2 Ton Lime Spreader #5 4 Ton Lime Spreader #4	140.00
2 Ton Lime Spreader #2	200.00
No Till Drill #1	1,871.00
Weed Wiper #9	-26.00
2 Ton Lime Spreader #6 No Till Drill #8	250.00 1,837.50
Weed Wiper #3	250.00
Equipment Rental Income - Ot	340.00
Total Equipment Rental Income	5,562.50
Interest Revenue Interfund Transfer	646.52 93,880.96
Investments Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	122.12
Total Investments	122.12
Sales Income	3,742.83
Sales Revenue Services/Work Crew Revenue	4,900.76 221.00
Total Income	109,076.69
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Cost of Goods Sold Equipment Expenses	
4 Ton Lime Spreader #4	336.17
2 Ton Lime Spreader #7	296.00
No Till Drill #8	65.50
Weed Wiper #3 2 Ton Lime Spreader #2	1,590.50 1,356.83
No Till Drill #1	0.79
Total Equipment Expenses	3,645.79
Cost of Goods Sold	5,827.86
Total COGS	9,473.65
Gross Profit	99,603.04
Expense	
Supervisor Expense Income to Offset Supervisor E	0.00
Travel, Mileage, Meal Reimbur	9,102.36
Per Diem Pay	10,800.00
Total Supervisor Expense	19,902.36
Advertising/Marketing	1,100.89
Bank Fees	20.00
Conference Registration Facilities and Equipment	450.00
Rent, Parking, Utilities	4,720.00
Total Facilities and Equipment	4,720.00
Forage Testing	165.30
Legal & Professional Fees	6,500.00
Maintenance & Repairs Meals & Entertainment	372.85 830.08
means of Entertainment	030.00



Accrual Basis

#### Little Kanawha Consevation District Profit & Loss July 2018 through June 2019

	Jul '18 - Jun 19
Operations	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1
Books, Subscriptions, Refere	5,704.45
Postage, Mailing Service	278.36
Supplies	2,020.24
Telephone, Telecommunicatio	907.31
Total Operations	8,910.36
Other Types of Expenses	
Insurance - Liability, D and O	1,522.00
Total Other Types of Expenses	1,522.00
Payroll - Salaries	13,644.00
Payroll - State Unemployment	415.42
Payroll - Taxes	1,947.94
Payroll - Workers Compensation	210.00
Sponsorship Expense	1,250.00
Supplies - Events	101.16
Supplies - Office	633.80
Travel and Meetings Conference, Convention, Meet	150.00
Travel	648.42
Total Travel and Meetings	798.42
Total Expense	63,494.58
Net Ordinary Income	36,108.46
Net Income	36,108.46



Normal Trial Balance - Co-Administered Funds From 1/31/2019 Through 1/31/2019

Account Code	Account Title	Debit Balance	Credit Balance
1001-00	Receiving Account		
10001-LK	Receiving Account	11,872.00	1
Total 1001-00	Receiving Account	11,872.00	0.00
1007-00	Operation Maintenance and Repair (OM&R)		
13001-LK	North Fork Hughes River OM&R	116,695.08	
13002-LK	Bonds Creek Channel OM&R	1,585.56	
13003-LK	Bonds Creek Structure OM&R	9,806.07	
13004-LK	Pocatalico Site #14 OM&R	7,638.36	
13005-LK	Pond Run - Lower Channel OM&R	118,282.72	
13006-LK	Pullman Creek OM&R	500.63	
13007-LK	Walker Creek OM&R	2,016.53	
13008-LK	Pond Run - Dam & Upper Channel OMR	203,522.96	
Total 1007-00	Operation Maintenance and Repair (OM&R)	460,047.91	0.00
1010-00	State Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Quick Response		
10005-LK	State EWP Quick Response	34,687.12	
Total 1010-00	State Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Quick Response	34,687.12	0.00
1011-00	Stream Protection and Restoration Program (SPRP)		
16000-LK	SPRP Restricted	56,491.85	
Total 1011-00	Stream Protection and Restoration Program (SPRP)	56,491.85	0.00
1014-00	Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)		
10006-LK	CREP	3,131.95	
Total 1014-00	Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)	3,131.95	0.00
1015-00	Ag-Enhancement		
10016-LK	Ag-Enhancement	64,921.77	
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Total 1015-00	Ag-Enhancement	64,921.77	0.00
1026-00	Operation Maintenance and Repair (OM&R) State Supplemental		
29000-LK	OM&R State Supplemental Restricted	80,329.19	
Total 1026-00	Operation Maintenance and Repair (OM&R) State Supplemental	80,329.19	0.00
9998-00	Bank Services		
99998-LK	Bank Services	1.00	
Total 9998-00	Bank Services	1.00	0.00

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Normal Trial Balance - Co-Administered Funds From 1/31/2019 Through 1/31/2019

Account Code	Account Title	Debit Balance	Credit Balance
Report Total		711,482.79	0.00
Report Difference		711,482.79	

Check/Voucher Register - Check List 10019 - Receiving Acct Peoples 2202 From 1/1/2019 Through 1/31/2019

Check Number	Check Description	Vendor Name	Effective Date	Check Amount
211	System Generated Check/Vo	LKCD CDO Funds	1/16/2019	20,897.00

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Check/Voucher Register - Check List 10020 - Interest Bearing Acct Peoples 2180 From 1/1/2019 Through 1/31/2019

Check Number	Check Description	Vendor Name	Effective Date	Check Amount
2343	System Generated Check/Vo	Walton PSD	1/3/2019	1,100.00
2344	System Generated Check/Vo	James B. Metheney	1/9/2019	2,000.00
2345	System Generated Check/Vo	James B. Metheney	1/9/2019	1,098.00
2346	System Generated Check/Vo	Harry Fields	1/23/2019	3,200.00
2347	System Generated Check/Vo	Little Kanawha Co	1/23/2019	12,004.49
2348	System Generated Check/Vo	Troxal Metheney	1/31/2019	600.00
Report Total				40,899.49

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Aged Receivables by Invoice Date - Aged Receivables Aging Date - 2/5/2019 From 2/5/2019 Through 2/5/2019

Customer ID	Customer Name	Invoice Number	Due Date	Current	1 - 30 Days Past Due	31 - 60 Days Past Due	61 - 90 Days Past Due	Over 90 Days Past Due	Total
WVCA	WV Conservation	REC14093	2/11/2019	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
WVCA		REC14094	2/11/2019	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Total WVCA	WV Conservation			0.00	5,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,500.00
Report Total				0.00	5,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,500.00
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#### West Virginia State Conservation Committee Winter 2019 Quarterly Meeting – January 8, 2019 MINUTES

#### DRAFT

The Winter Quarterly Meeting of the West Virginia State Conservation Committee was held January 8, 2019, at the West Virginia Conservation Agency, at Guthrie, Charleston, WV.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Kent Leonhardt	Chairman	
Rocky Adkins	Appointed	
Greg Cook	Div. of Forestry	
Teresa Koon	DEP	
Paul Lewis	WVU ANR&D	
Eli McCoy	Appointed	
Angela Rosser	Appointed	
Bill Stewart	WVACD	
Tom Warner	Appointed	

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

D. J. Allen	Little Kanawha RC&D
Norm Bailey	WVDA
John Brown	WVCA
Chris Casto	WVCA
Heather Connolly	WVCA/WVDA
Brian Farkas	WVCA
Kim Fisher	WVCA
Jennifer Greenlief	WVDA
Joe Gumm	RC&D
Shirley Hyre	WVACD
Judith Lyons	WVCA
Wayne McKeever	WVACD
John Pitsenbarger	WVACD
Jeremy Salyer	WVCA
Nicole Viars	NRCS
Davin White	WVCA
Belinda Withrow	WVCA

Commissioner Kent Leonhardt called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Meeting notices have been posted with the Secretary of State's Office.

Brian Farkas announced the following designee assignments:

Austin Caperton, Department of Environmental Protection, provided written designation for Teresa Koon.

Barry Cook, WV Division of Forestry, provided written designation for Greg Cook. Dan Robison, WVU College of Ag, Natural Resources and Design, provided written designation for Paul Lewis.

#### **REVIEW of OCTOBER 9, 2018, MEETING MINUTES** Adkins moved to approve the October 9, 2018, SCC meeting minutes. Seconded by Stewart. Motion carried.

SCC Standing Personnel Committee meeting minutes dated January 3, 2019, are included for review.

SCC Standing Programs Committee meeting minutes dated January 3, 2019, are included for review.

Dan Robison, WVUANR&D, announced Ken Blemings, is the incoming interim dean. Robison said I have decided to leave WVU to go to Iowa State University. I will be their Dean of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Thank you for having me and thank you for the wonderful work the Agency does. Of the things I have done in the state, working with Brian and the Commissioner has been among the most fulfilling. Thank you for the time we have had together in West Virginia and I hope our paths cross again. Chairman Leonhardt wished Robison fair winds and safe travels. Brian added thank you Dan.

#### CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR ACTIONS

#### DISTRICT DELEGATION

James "Jim" Ash, former SCC appointed member and Upper Ohio CD supervisor, passed away November 3, 2018.

#### SUPERVISOR RESIGNATIONS

Norma Collins, Little Kanawha CD, Calhoun County, term of office ending in 2022, submitted her resignation September 17, 2018. McCoy moved to accept the resignation of Norma Collins, LKCD, Calhoun County. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

#### SCC STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### PERSONNEL

#### WVCA Time and Attendance Policy and Procedures

McCoy announced we had a conference call, Rocky and Angie were in attendance. We discussed adding to WVCA policies a flex schedule, telecommuting and office closure. These ideas came up as part of feed-back from WVCA employees when asked for ideas for a better workplace.

There was an expressed interested in flex time. We need to keep the Agency open and the employees' request comes second. If there is an appeal, it goes to the Executive Director for final approval. This would not impact Agency function. The committee voted to approve and present to the full SCC.

Farkas said these changes are a result of an initiative of the WVCA manager training on how to improve workplace satisfaction and morale. One of the committees sent out a

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survey to agency staff. These requests are a result of that survey. Employees wanted to be more flexible in schedules.

#### Koon moved to approve adding a flex schedule to the WVCA Time and Attendance Policy and Procedures. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

McCoy reported telecommuting is based on necessary circumstances as an exception and not a general rule and is also useful for inclement weather. This will be approved by the supervisors. The employee working out in the field could not have to travel so far back and forth. Adkins added if an employee needs to take a sick child to the doctor, that employee could work from home the rest of the day, instead of spending hours driving back and forth to work. Farkas added our computer systems are all connected through IT. There are some positions where this will not work. We will begin recording and giving updates at the quarterly meetings. Connolly said these polices were put into place in 2013. The policies put additional burdens on managers, so SCC can be updated. Leonhardt said this appears to be a more family friendly policy. Connolly said state employees are still covered under the family medical leave act. Farkas added he will have an all-manager's meeting and we will discuss the policy changes. The supervisors will explain this to staff. We will not start this policy until after that meeting. Connolly said there will be follow-up documentation and record keeping. Farkas said by allowing some folks to work from home we can continue to operate because of technology even if the office is shut down for reasons beyond our control.

Koon moved to approve adding telecommuting to the WVCA Time and Attendance Policy and Procedures. Seconded by Cook. Motion carried.

#### WVCA Office Closure Policy and Procedures

McCoy reported currently the Agency has been doing primarily what WVDA does when the office will be closed. There are different weather conditions in different parts of the state and also takes into consideration stateside, government closings. Farkas said we have had an office closure policy. This is a modification to our policy. Casto said Kronos is our record keeping system for the state. They have changed procedure. We were previously instructed to record time off as commissioner leave. We are changing how we record this. Ann Oravec runs the Kronos system. When there is a change she sends out an email on how to record time off. McCoy said the sub-committee approved this unanimously. Chairman Leonhardt asked if we obtained an opinion from the CDs. Adkins replied the topic was discussed by the committee. Stewart said he doesn't see any problem with the policy. Farkas reported prior commissioners would tell employees to take a weather day off, but it may have not snowed in other parts of the state and some of our employees could be working without any problems. We changed it so that some of our CDs could remain open.

Koon moved to approve revisions to the WVCA Office Closure Policy and Procedures. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

#### PROGRAMS

#### AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/GRANTS/MOUs

Farkas said the SCC Programs Committee met on January 3 and moved to approve the list of agreements and grants, to submit to the full SCC for approval.

McCoy moved to approve the following list agreements and grants. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

- NPS1656 Watershed Program Specialist Chesapeake Bay Initiatives
- NPS1580 Watershed Celebration Day
- 1278-02 WV DEP Stream Restoration Projects
- 1324-01 WV DEP Stream Restoration Projects

#### **CONTINUING BUSINESS**

#### Hardy Storage Company LLC's Hardy Storage Field

Eli McCoy recused himself and left the room.

Connolly updated Hardy County Gas storage field is a formation of land owned by the SCC. Decades ago they got a FERC permit to pump gas into this void. They neglected to get an easement from the state. WVCA received a letter asking to provide them with an easement to correct their oversight. to a \$50 per acre, for approximately 700 acres. Jennifer Greenlief provided Connolly with legal authority. The FERC permit provided them with imminent domain to have this gas storage area, however, the authority also relied upon interest from date of the first use. Connolly wrote back and asked when the first date was they began using the facility, so we could properly calculate interest. This is a permanent easement and a one-time payment. There is no surface disturbance. Connolly will give another update when more information is available. See attached documentation.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Lower Mud/Army Corps of Engineers

Farkas announced in 1980s and 1990s the Lower Mud River flooded. The last time was in 1998. A study occurred at that time to determine how to protect the town of Milton from additional flooding. At first the task was given to NRCS. They came up with a proposal. The project was then transferred to the Army Corps of Engineers. They propose to relocate the river in Milton and build a series of levees to protect the town. They did some design work. The State of West Virginia, through the WVCA budget and through reappropriated funds, started putting away money in order to fund this project. It used to be a 75-25 cost share for the design. The Corps of Engineers changed that to 50-50. We are stuck in a new cost-share agreement at 50/50. The money languished and there is about \$4.6 million sitting in the Guyan CD account for Lower Mud. Congress, in 2018 came up with a supplemental act and provided \$96 million to build this levee. The match for the state is \$35 million. WVCA doesn't have that much. We are the original sponsors for this. They went to the administration. The National Guard has begun negotiations about building a flood levee. Farkas informed SCC because \$96 million is sitting in the Corps has a lot of interest and we have other CDs going to the Corps and saving we have other projects we could use this money for. We will wait until tomorrow when the Governor unveils his budget to see what happens. At some time, we may need a special meeting to have SCC review a revised agreement for SCC signature, if administrations



decided the WVCA and SCC will be the sponsors of the project. A new agreement will supersede any existing agreement. This committee doesn't have the ability to raise a levee.

Farkas showed a video showing the kind of work WVCA could do under the military authority. We will be showing this during our budget hearings. These meeting are January 16, for the Senate Finance, and January 21 for the House Finance. This could enable us to do the natural stream restoration.

#### **FEMA Appeal Update**

Connolly reported in 2017 the emergency watershed protection program did flood work and coordinated with WV DHSEM, the pass-through entity for FEMA dollars for WV. The work was completed and a project worksheet was submitted, which is how you get reimbursed under the Stafford Act, which is a federal law. In March of 2018 a reimbursement request was denied because they said the project worksheets failed to show compliance with the Endangered Species Act with US Fish and Wildlife. We can't go back now because the work is over. In May 2018 Connolly asked for confirmation from John Schmidt. He wrote a letter back in early May 2018 stating yes, that is what we do and it looks good. We included that into our appeal through DHSEM. In late summer or early fall FEMA reached back out to John Schmidt, WV field office for a discussion. No one from WVCA was involved in this. There was an exchange of emails. Schmidt said because the work appeared to be below the high water mark he was reverting back to his earlier letter stating we forfeited the right to comply. FEMA asked us if we had any additional information. Connolly assisted Gene Saurborn in writing a letter and asking for consideration or a discussion, pointing out the work that was done, after a tremendous amount of legal research. At this point procedurally this is a level one appeal. We have not had the final decision from FEMA. WVCA will be making changes in FEMA emergency flood response moving forward. The amount is \$368,000. If Fish and Wildlife doesn't think the delegation is proper or choose to back the last statement, the appeal will be denied. We could do a second level of appeal, but we would have to point the error. There is a good chance they will deny the appeal and we will have to find what legal error they made. They have 60 days to respond. They have acknowledged receipt of our additional information.

Farkas said we are looking at entering into an agreement with NRCS where WVCA will actually deliver the work on behalf of NRCS and go through NRCS for finances. Farkas said as soon as we find out from FEMAs response, he will send it to SCC members. If it requires an official response, he will call a special SCC meeting. Chairman Leonhardt said we should have a meeting if it's denied before we go to a second level.

#### INFORMATIONAL UPDATES Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Review

#### Agriculture Day at the Capitol

Farkas announced Ag Day at the Capitol is January 30 and you are all invited to attend.

#### **CD** Letters of Request

Farkas reported the WVCA has allocated approximately \$2.1 million in LORs to the CDs during the last quarter for CD operations and programs.

#### FSA/CREP Letter Update

Letter was included in handout folders for review.

#### CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP REPORTS

#### Brian Farkas, WVCA

Farkas announced WVCA personnel updates for the last quarter.

#### Nicole Viars, Natural Resources Conservation Service

Viars reported a portion of the federal government is currently shutdown. NRCS is not affected as of yet in the government shutdown. We still have prior year carryover and mandatory farm bill funding to carry us over. The farm bill signed into law as of December 20. A portion of the USDA was shut down the next day due to lapse in appropriations. The Department has not been able to review the language in the Farm Bill as a whole in order to provide information. However, it does appear to be favorable for conservation.

Louis is on a detail to national headquarters, starting next week. I will be acting for him, and Jeremy Bennett will the Acting ASTC-Management and Strategy.

Other personnel changes – Greg Stone was selected for the State Conservationist position in Kentucky. His last day in WV is this Friday, January 11. He will start in Kentucky January 20. Damarys Mortenson, currently the State Resource Conservationist, will be the acting ASTC-Field Operations, South Area until further notice. She will also be fulfilling her SRS duties during this time.

#### **Roger Dahmer, FSA**

Not present because of federal government shutdown.

#### **Teresa Koon, Department of Environmental Protection**

Koon reported on the Chesapeake Bay program. DEP has the 2-year milestones. We no longer have to report on the off years for that, only on the even years. We are making great progress on our Phase 3 implementation plan. We have a good draft, which is due in April. We have internal reviews. We have an obligation to verify our practices. Our 319 workplan had been completely approved. Hopefully we will get our funding after the furlough ends. Our 401 certification permit - we will be putting that out for public notice and our construction storm water 5-year permit will be going out soon for public notice.

#### Greg Cook, Division of Forestry

Cook reported service forester in Richie County Chuck Copeland, has been promoted to assistant state forester. He will handle the forest stewardship program, serve on the State Technical Committee, and be chairman of the Forest Stewardship sub-committee of the State Technical Committee. He will handle about one-half million dollars of federal grant money. Service Forster, Major Shawn Cook is being deployed to Romania for 6 months.

He will command a force of 700 people and equipment over there. Recently got permission to order 10 new vehicles off the state contract. We are getting half-ton Chevy Silverados. The fall fire season was the lowest in the history in our records, 11 fires that burnt less than 11 acres. The fall of 1986 was previously the lowest fall fire season. The spring of 1987 was the worst seasons in record. That season over 100,000 acres burnt in one night. Logging conditions are deplorable. The mills are shutting down because they are out of logs until they can build up a supply. Dozers are getting stuck because it's so wet.

#### Bill Stewart, West Virginia Association of Conservation Districts

Our quarterly meeting is January 22-23 at Flatwoods. I would love for other partners to attend and speak to our committees. The Appalachian Grazing Conference is March 7-9 at the Waterfront Hotel in Morgantown. The Envirothon is at Canaan Valley April 17-18. The Grassland Evaluation Contest will be held in May at Jackson's Mill. Cook and Koon agreed to attend the January WVACD meeting. Commissioner said to send his office an agenda.

#### Joe Gumm, Resource Conservation and Development Council

Gumm announced he has the minutes of the annual RC&D meeting held recently, the National Association of Conservation Districts, Mid-Atlantic, and Council reports. The State RC&D made a new set of bylaws and we had an election of officers. The next state RC&D meeting will be in March. The state RC&D committee is run by 5 councils. We plan before the annual meeting next to have someone from the national office come and speak to us. Gumm will attend the National NACD meeting in Texas at the end of January. Hopefully the national RC&D will have a program there. Commissioner Leonhardt is on the agenda of the Appalachian Grazing Conference, which I chair. We are getting about 300 farmers in attendance. This program helps the farmer help themselves. Dr. Paul Lewis will host a tour of the University with a meal one evening.

#### D.J. Allen, Little Kanawha RC&D

Allen distributed a brochure, to let others know what the RC&Ds do and what they are all about. Allen reported with our grant money our RC&D received we funded 15 projects including everything from soil and forage analysis, land and water projects, slippery creek repairs, culvert removal, drainage and recycling projects. We are glad to have the funds to distribute to help others with their projects. The mini grant application process is now open. We are looking forward to our gardening program. We will be working with the Maple Syrup Producers Association for the maple syrup trailer that will be going out to different fairs, festivals, etc.

Eli McCoy, Appointed Nothing more to report.

Rocky Adkins, Appointed Nothing more to report.

Angela Rosser, Appointed

Rosser reported WV Rivers sits on the WV Water Gauging Council. It's a significant year because last year DSHEM got supplemental funding to do a major overhaul and updated the stream gauge network, so we'll have 39. We will have more public access to real time data on stream levels and flood warnings. We will watch things closely. With the upcoming legislative session, our priority will be around water quality standards. Every three years the state does a review. DEP proposed to adopt some of the EPA recommended updates to human health criteria. In November the legislative rule making committee stripped out those updates. We will be working on getting those restored. The EPA has done new research and has new data that we believe WV should adopt. Addressing the tens of thousands of unplugged gas wells around the state. They propose safety hazards to landowners and farmers as well as leak into ground water, etc.

**Tom Warner, Appointed** Nothing more to report.

Kent Leonhardt, West Virginia Department of Agriculture Nothing more to report.

#### CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/DELEGATION

McCoy moved to adjourn at 1:26 p.m. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

**Approved:** 

Kent Leonhardt, Chairman

Brian Farkas, Executive Director

#### Reference: WVSCC October Quarterly Meeting Book - January 8, 2019

Minutes recorded by Belinda G. Withrow, WVCA Executive Assistant

#### **Summary of Motions**

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1. Adkins moved to approve the October 9, 2018, SCC meeting minutes. Seconded by Stewart. Motion carried.

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2. McCoy moved to accept the resignation of Norma Collins, LKCD, Calhoun County. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

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3. Koon moved to approve adding a flex schedule to the WVCA Time and Attendance Policy and Procedures. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried. Page 3 of 9

4. Koon moved to approve adding telecommuting to the WVCA Time and Attendance Policy and Procedures. Seconded by Cook. Motion carried.

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5. Koon moved to approve revisions to the WVCA Office Closure Policy and Procedures. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

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6. McCoy moved to approve the following list agreements and grants. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

NPS1656 Watershed Program Specialist Chesapeake Bay Initiatives

NPS1580 Watershed Celebration Day

1278-02 WV DEP Stream Restoration Projects

1324-01 WV DEP Stream Restoration Projects

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7. McCoy moved to adjourn at 1:26 p.m. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

#### West Virginia Conservation Awards Council, Inc. West Virginia Conservation Agency at Guthrie, Charleston, WV January 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes DRAFT

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Kent Leonhardt, President	Teresa Koon, DEP
Belinda Withrow, Secretary/Treasurer	Paul Lewis, WVU CANR&D
Rocky Adkins, SCC	Eli McCoy, Appointed
Greg Cook, Div. of Forestry	Bill Stewart, WVACD
Mark Fitzsimmons, Appointed	

#### OTHERS PRESENT

D. J. Allen, Little Kanawha RC&D	Shirley Hyre, WVACD
Norman Bailey, WVDA	Wayne McKeever, WVACD
John Brown, WVCA	John Pitsenbarger, WVACD
Brian Farkas, WVCA	Jeremy Salyer, WVCA
Joe Gumm, SCC	Nicole Viars, NRCS
Jennifer Greenlief, WVDA	Tom Warner, SCC
Jason Hughes, Dept. of Education	

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Kent Leonhardt called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

#### MINUTES

Withrow presented meeting minutes from the July 10, 2018, Awards Council (WVCAC) meetings.

McCoy moved to approve the July 10, 2018, Awards Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Withrow reviewed the financial report covering dates from June 30, 2018, through December 31, 2018, and the Awards Program budget.

McCoy moved to approve the WVCAC financial report. Seconded by Cook. Motion carried.

#### AWARDS COUNCIL ANNUAL AUDIT

Withrow reported she mailed copies of the 2018 annual Awards Council audit in October 2018, to all Awards Council members. Withrow distributed copies again. The audit was completed by Herman and Cormany, CPA firm for the fiscal period July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

#### McCoy moved to approve the 2018 Awards Council audit. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

#### 2019 AG DAY AT THE CAPITOL/LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST

Withrow reported the next Ag Day at the Capitol/legislative breakfast is scheduled for January 30, 2019. Withrow invited all SCC members to attend the breakfast, stating that all West Virginia grown foods will be served at the breakfast.

Farkas reported there will be all new displays this year. We will also have the State Conservation Farm Winner, Frank Masters, to speak at the breakfast. A House and Senate member will recognize Masters as the Conservation Farmer of the Year.

#### <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> McCoy moved to adjourn at 10:20 a.m. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried.

Attest:

#### Belinda G. Withrow, Secretary/Treasurer

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#### SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

- 1. McCoy moved to approve the July 10, 2018, Awards Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried. (Page 1 of 2)
- 2. McCoy moved to approve the WVCAC financial report. Seconded by Cook. Motion carried. (Page 1 of 2)
- 3. McCoy moved to approve the 2018 Awards Council audit. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried. (Page 1 of 2)
- 4. McCoy moved to adjourn at 10:20 a.m. Seconded by Adkins. Motion carried. (Page 2 of 2)

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## Do I need a permit to remove wood debris?

Landowners can do the following to clean and open a channel without obtaining a permit:

- Fallen trees may be pulled from a stream by vehicle or motorized equipment from top of streambanks using winches, chains or cables.
- Handheld tools like chainsaws, axes and handsaws may be used to cut debris in the waterway into smaller pieces.
- Downed trees still attached to streambanks can be cut to the stump. Do not remove the stumps. They keep streambanks from eroding.
- All trees and brush removed from the waterway must be removed from the floodplain.

A permit is required if the work:

- Will disturb the stream bed or bank.
- Requires the use of machinery like excavators or backhoes in the stream channel or **below the top** of the stream bank.
- Is in a stream with endangered species.

## Who We Are

### About Us

The West Virginia Conservation Agency is the state government agency responsible for promoting and protecting land, water and soil resources. It provides assistance to the state's 14 conservation districts and is overseen by the State Conservation Committee.

### Contact Us

Phone: 304.558.2204 Web: www.wvca.us



Other Key Contacts

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: 304.636.6586 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Pittsburgh office: 412.395.7155 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Huntington office: 304.399.5710 WV Division of Natural Resources Office of Land and Streams: 304.558.3225



West Virginia Conservation Agency

1900 Kanawha Blvd. E. Charleston, WV 25305



## REMOVAL OF WOOD DEBRIS

Your questions answered





## About 78 percent of West Virginia is forested

# All of those trees mean plenty of wood debris...

West Virginia is the third most forested state in the nation. Only Maine and New Hampshire have more forest cover. With nearly 27,000 miles of waterways, West Virginia's rivers and streams often become blocked by fallen trees and branches. This fact sheet will help West Virginians understand which blockages are bad, and what to do about problem blockages on their land.

# Some debris can simply be left alone...

In general, wood debris that does not pose a threat to bridges, houses or other property does not need to be removed.

Not all wood debris is a problem! Trees, branches and stumps can play an important role in a waterway's ecosystem.

## It can be a good thing.

Debris lodged in banks can provide an aquatic habitat, reduce stream flow velocity and in some cases, reduce the potential for downstream flooding.





## Significant Blockages

Although many blockages pose no threat, others are more severe. When wood debris causes a significant blockage that restricts stream flow, blocks bridge and culvert openings, diverts a stream's flow causing bank erosion, or threatens public or private property, it should be removed.

## The West Virginia

Conservation Agency can provide technical assistance and oversight to landowners who wish to remove stream blockages from their property.

To report a blockage, call 1-866-UC-Flood (823-5663)



Roane County FFA

One Raider Way Spencer, WV 25276

January 29, 2019

To Whom it May Concern:

This year Roane County FFA will be participating in the West Virginia Envirothon. We are excited to be taking five students and two advisors to Canaan Valley on April 17-18. Students will compete in five areas during the contest: aquatics, forestry, soils, wildlife, and current environmental topics. Students have been staying afterschool to study and are putting in a great deal of effort to learn the material. The contest is a wonderful learning experience but can be costly. Roane County FFA would like to request financial aid from the Little Kanawha Conservation District to help cover cost of registration, meals, and lodging. Attached is a breakdown of costs for the contest. Thanks for your support!

Sincerely,

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Samantha Lucas FFA Advisor Roane County High School


Office Use: Date Form Received:

### 2019 WV Envirothon Lodging & Meals

The 2019 WV Envirothon will be taking place at Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center. The accommodations at the Resort are hotel style—double queen rooms. Rooms will be assigned to teams upon arrival at the event. Room assignments are prioritized based upon order of forms received. *There will not be co-ed rooms. Therefore, if you have males and females on your team your assistant advisor or chaperone must be of the opposite gender.* \*\*It is suggested to provide your own toiletries. Towels and bed linens are provided by the Resort\*\*

\*\*Check out time is 11 am. Please make arrangements prior to arrival as all items must be out of the rooms by 11 am on Thursday, April 18, 2019\*\*

PLEASE NOTE: Team members and advisors/chaperones are required to use the lodging and meal service provided by the WV Envirothon, unless within commuting distance

Lodging	# Male needed	# Female needed	Total #	Total Cost
\$22.00 per person/night rooms	4	3	7	\$154
*Lodging available for Wednesday evening only.	3	4	7	154
Meals			Total #	Total Cost
Wednesday Lunch \$12.00 (for teams arriving before 12:00 pm)			7	\$84
Wednesday Dinner (plus p.m. snack) \$23.00	3	4	7	\$161
Thursday Breakfast \$11.00	3	Ц	7	\$77
Thursday Lunch \$16.00 (Required)	3	H	7	\$112
Thursday Reception \$12.00	4	7	\$84	
Total For Lodging & Meals	Intelligence Astronomical Methodology			\$672
Grand Total For Lodging, Meals and Registration (\$50 or \$75 registration fee)				\$722/ \$747

Submit the completed team registration form by March 25, 2019. Make checks payable to:

### West Virginia Envirothon Committee

Mail to: WVACD c/o Envirothon 742 Airport Road Sutton, WV 26601

\*You may also fax form to 304-263-4376, to the attention of Envirothon, or e-mail Heather at <u>hishman@epcd.us</u>. All payments must be mailed to address above.

The WV Envirothon Committee prohibits discrimination in its program on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, and martial or family status. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication or accommodations should contact the WV Envirothon Committee.

# SOUTHERN CONSERVATION DISTRICT



## WHEN February 23rd 2019 TIME 1:00 PM

<u>WHERE</u> Southern Conservation District building, 463 Ragland Road Beckley Our first of a series of forestry related topics will feature...

# PORTABLE SAWMILL DEMONSTRATION



PORTABLE SAWMILL DEMO



FREE !!

Provided to landowners in Southern District Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> 1:00 PM





### Western Conservation District Annual Agriculture Workshop March 26, 2019



Time:	8:45 a.m. — 2 p.m.
Place:	WV Farm Museum
	Pt. Pleasant, WV

Register At: 304-675-3054



Lunch will be provided Free of Charge

Registration Ends March 22, 2019



AgLaw Estate Planning Trespassing Jesse Richardson, Professor WVU School of Law

Challenges & Opportunities To Grazing 300 Day in WV Ben Goff, Extension Agent WVU

> Maple Syrup in WV Dr. Mike Rechlin WVMSPA

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High Tunnel Growing & Marketing Produce Lacy Davidson WV Dept of Agriculture/NRCS

Temporary Fencing Proper Spacing & Grounding Amanda Adkins, TM Gallagher

Applying Pesticides Safely Jessica Stricklin WV Department of Agriculture

> Local Programs USDA—NRCS Farm Service Agency Western CD



Western Conservation District



Little Kanawha Conservation District 91 Boyles Ln Parkersburg, WV 26104

Dear Little Kanawha Conservation District:

The WVU Extension Service Ritchie County, is hosting a winter dinner meeting in Ritchie County at the 4-H Grounds on February 18, 2019 starting at 6:00pm. The dinner will host Mr. Tom Basden, speaking on soil fertility. We have found this format to be very successful in educating farmers and strengthening the connection between the public and agricultural organizations. In addition, the session will provide credit hours towards private applicators pesticide recertification.

Financial support is needed to cover the meal cost. In the past, roughly 50 farmers have attended. Estimating \$5.00 per meal, I am requesting \$250 to support the farmer dinner meeting. And as always any donation will be greatly appreciated. Please plan to join us for the dinner meeting and help us spread the word about it.

Checks can be written to Ritchie County 4-H Leaders Association and mailed to the WVU Extension Office **Ritchie County** 1608 East Main Street Harrisville, WV 26362

For more information, please feel free to contact me at 304-643-5200. Thank you so much for you time and support.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie Deem, Ritchie County Extension Agent

**Cooperative Extension Service** The West Virginia University Cooperative Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, West Virginia County Boards of Education and County Commissions Cooperating



### Little Kanawha Conservation District Income (January 10th – February 11th, 2019)

Typar:			
20 feet		\$20.00	
Roll		\$388.80	Typar: \$174.80
	Total: \$408.80		Tree Tubes: \$154.84 Float Profit: \$37.28
Tree Tubes		¢105.00	Plates N Bolts: \$1.60
30		\$105.00	
28 + interest		\$100.00	Total Income: \$368.52
100		\$350.00	
	Total: \$550.00		
Lime Spreaders: 2 Ton lime spreader repair		\$181.33	
2 Ton- repair		\$10.00	Total Income
	Total: \$191.33		
			from January
<u>Floats</u>			2010 Nou
1 Float sets		\$58.00	2019 - Now:
1 float		\$58.00	40.00 70
1 Float value		\$34.00	\$368.52
1 Float + interest		\$61.00	
	Total: \$211.00		
Plates- N Bolts			
8 Sets		\$135.99	
	Total: \$135.99		
Field Vists			
Soil test		\$25.00	
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### Little Kanawha Conservation District Income (January 10th – February 11th, 2019)

Soil Test Forage test \$25.00 \$61.00

Total: \$161.00



### Region 6 Landowner Assistance Program Accomplishments for December 2018

81 requests were received in Region 6. 61 of these requests were incidental covering a wide variety of topics such as logging complaints, Fire season, logging classes, etc.

### **Cabwaylingo State Forest:**

Little Kanawha Conservation District: (Stephens, King, Robinson, Murdock and Minton)

One reconnaissance was conducted to make recommendations. Six practice plans were written consisting of 128 acres. 89 acres of TSI were marked. 79 acres were cruised with an estimated volume of 195 MBF. Four acres of site prep for planting and seeding was determined and 73 acres of TSI were inspected.

#### Upcoming Events:

May 18 Youth Environmental Day at North Bend State Park



1900 Kanawha Blvd., East Charleston, WV 25305-0193 Phone: (304) 558-2204 Fax: (304) 558-1635 www.wvca.us

### To: Little Kanawha Conservation District

From: West Virginia Conservation Agency-Summersville Field Office

RE: Monthly Update

Date: January 11, 2018-February 12, 2019

### Site Visits Conducted:

### CCRs:

• Site 13489-E. Parsons-West Fork of LK-Orma-Calhoun Co.-In Progress

### **Stream Permits:**

• The Emericks of Belleville have had their stream permit approved by COE.

### Projects:

• N/A

### Dams:

- Bonds Creek 01: EAP Up to Date
- North Fork of the Hughes: EAP Up to Date
- Pocatalico 14: EAP Up to Date
- Pond Run: EAP Up to Date
- Pullman 01: EAP Up to Date
- Walker Creek: EAP Up to Date

### Nichols, Jessica

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### January 2019

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### USDA Farm Service Agency Announces Program Deadline Extensions

USDA's Farm Service Agency extended deadlines on many of its programs because of the government shutdown and the emergency nature of many of the programs. Below are updated deadlines:

\*\*\* For details on all program deadlines and extensions, view FSA National Notice CM-807

#### Farm Programs

- Market Facilitation Program
  - Deadline to apply extended to Feb. 14, 2019
- Marketing Assistance Loans
  - o If loan matured in December 2018, settlement date extended to Feb. 14, 2019
  - Peanut loans or Loan Deficiency Payments Ioan availability date now Feb. 28, 2019
  - Emergency Conservation Program
    - Performance reporting due Feb. 14, 2019
- Livestock Forage Disaster
  - o 2018 application for payment due Feb. 28, 2019
- Emergency Assistance Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-raised Fish Program
   Notice of loss due Feb. 14, 2019
- Livestock Indemnity Program
  - Notice of loss due Feb. 14, 2019
- Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program
  - Submitting 2019 application for coverage due Feb. 14, 2019

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- o Notice of loss for 72-hour harvest and grazing (as applicable) due Feb. 14, 2019
- Notice of loss for prevented planting and failed acres due Feb. 14, 2019
- Applications for payment for 2018 covered losses due Feb. 14, 2019
- Tree Assistance Program
  - Notice of loss due Feb. 14, 2019
- Acreage Reporting
  - January reporting deadlines extended to Feb. 14, 2019

For inquiries related to these programs or any not listed above, please contact your local <u>USDA</u> <u>Service Center</u>.

Questions? Please contact your local FSA Office.

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West Virginia Conservation District Personnel Form.         This form is to be completed by March 1 of each year to comply with West Virginia Code Chapter 19-21A-1(d) regination       Province       Province	1el Form.	of each year to comply with West Virginia Code Chapter 19-21A-1(d) regarding the hiring of district employees.	Position (Use a separate line for each position.     Position.       Please be sure a full job description is on file in the district)     Funding Source	Conservation Specialist     WVCA     \$15,000.00       Dam Monitors     NIA     \$0.00       Conservation Supervisors     NVCA     \$57,055.00	d procedures comply with state and federal laws.
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2/8/2019

Little Kanawha Conservation District Board of Supervisors,

NRCS and I have been corresponding with Pleasant Hill Elementary in Calhoun County. At the school, they have constructed a high tunnel and are requesting assistance with irrigation for the structure. They are also interested in doing pollinator plantings at the school. When the principal Mrs. Nicholas and I began our conversation, it was discussed that the cost for getting water and electric to the high tunnel could be included in the request for help, as they already have the raised beds constructed and filled with soil. They are incorporating square foot gardening in their curriculum and the high tunnel will be used for education purposes.

At this time, they are still needing micro-irrigation in the high tunnel and would need the items to do the pollinator planting, such as seed. They have an estimated cost for electric and water as well.

- The irrigation kit can be purchased from Berry Hill Drip Irrigation for \$285.00 for the Super Garden Drip Kit plus \$66.45 for shipping (\$351.45 total).
- Their estimated cost for water and electric service to the high tunnel is \$791.48.
- For the pollinator planting, NRCS, Mrs. Nicholas, and I discussed the possibility of doing this as a demonstration project through the Little Kanawha Conservation District. Since the district is planning to add pollinator planting as a practice, this would be a good opportunity to this practice in application. The seed for pollinator planting can be purchased from the Meigs Conservation District in Ohio for \$80.00 and can seed a half acre. If this is done as a demonstration project, the cost of the seed would not be in the request for Pleasant Hill Elementary but would be covered by the LKCD along with the cost for nutrient materials.

Total requested amount would be: \$1,142.93



west virginia department of environmental protection

Office of Environmental Advocate 601 57<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Charleston, WV 25304 304-926-0441 Austin Caperton, Cabinet Secretary dep.wv.gov

January 4, 2019

Dear Junior Conservation Camp Sponsor:

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection's 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Junior Conservation Camp will take place June 17-21, 2019 at Cedar Lakes Conference Center in Ripley. The camp is open to West Virginia youth, 11-14 years of age. Many businesses, companies and civic organizations make contributions to this extraordinary camp, as you have done in the past.

I would like to extend an opportunity for you to be a sponsoring organization of Junior Conservation Camp. The cost per camper is \$175. As a sponsor, you are ensuring that the children who attend will be granted a high-quality camping experience full of fun and environmental learning.

Simply complete the enclosed application form and attach your check, made payable to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), for the amount you wish to contribute and return both to the address listed on the back of the brochure. Be sure to indicate if you wish to select the camper(s) or if you would like the DEP to select the camper(s). If DEP selects the camper(s), the children will be chosen from a waiting list on a first-come first-served basis.

If your organization wishes to select the camper(s), a camper registration form, health and medical statement and medications to be administered form for each camper you sponsor will be mailed to the contact person whose name appears on the first line of your application form. It will be that person's responsibility to forward those forms to the camper's parents. If you wish the forms to be mailed directly to the parents, please attach a separate note listing the name and full mailing address of the parent who will be receiving these forms.

I have witnessed first-hand how your contributions have helped to provide an extensive environmental education for the children of West Virginia and I thank you for all that you do. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 304-926-0499 ext. 1659 or <u>Annette.L.Hoskins@wv.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Annette Hoskins, Camp Director Junior Conservation Camp

Promoting a healthy environment.

JUNIOR CONSERVATION CAMP	Jan Ka			June 17 - 21, 2019 CEDAR LAKES RIPLEY, WEST VIRGINIA	Sponsored by the	West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection
For further information concerning Junior Conservation Camp contact:	Annette Hoskins West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Junior Conservation Camp 601 57th Street, SE Charleston, WV 25304	Phone: (304) 926-0499 ext. 1659 Fax: (304) 926-0458	Email: <u>Annette.L.Hoskins@wv.gov</u> Website: <u>www.dep.wv.gov/environmental-</u> <u>advocate/YEP</u>		It is the policy of the state of West Virginia to provide its facilities, accommodations, services and programs to all people without regard to	sex, race, coro, age, reigion, national origin of ancestry, disability or other protected group status. The state of West Virginia is an equal opportunity employer.
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INSTRUCTORS	Many dedicated and knowledgeable people from various environmental agencies devote their time to assist with Junior	conservation camp. Agencies that have provided leaders are:	<ul> <li>WV Department of Environmental Protection</li> </ul>	NV Division of Natural     Resources	WVV Division of Forestry     WVVU Extension Service	<ul> <li>WV Conservation Agency</li> </ul>	LOCATION	Cedar Lakes is located in the western part	of west virginia on 1-77 between Charleston and Parkersburg. Take the	Fairplain – Ripley exit and follow the signs to Cedar Lakes Road. The conference	center is about 2 miles from the interstate. Transportation of the camper to and from Cedar Lakes is the responsibility	of the parent/guardian.								Morning Assembly
When payment is received, camper registration forms will be mailed as	quickly as possible to the contact person at the mailing address listed on the application form.	A DAY AT CAMP	A wide variety of classes that focus on environmental education are offered every	morning. Campers learn about nature, wildlife. forestry. solid waste management	and various other environmental issues.	<ul> <li>♦FISHING TECHNIQUES</li> <li>♦NATURE WALK</li> </ul>		◇HUNTER SAFETY ◇WII DI TEF	<b>WATER STUDY</b>	******	Afternoons are filled with outdoor activity classes.	◇ARCHERY	<ul> <li>♦CANDEING</li> <li>♦CAMP PROJECT</li> <li>♦GEOCACHING/ORIENTEERING</li> </ul>	\$SWIMMING	*******	Echoes of laughter and cheer can be heard as campers root for their teammates and ioin in the fun of various sports activities.	SBASKETBALL	♦KICKBALL		◇VOLLEYBALL
JUNIOR CONSERVATION CAMP AN OPPORTUNITY	<ul> <li>to become knowledgeable about conservation and the environment.</li> </ul>	► to gain experience in sound	conservation management practices.	To become good stewards of our natural resources.	DATE	Junior Conservation Camp takes place June 17-21, 2019, at Cedar Lakes	conterence center, kipiey, west virginia.	AGE	Junior Conservation Camp is open to	make sure when selecting a camper that	nevene is of the proper age. There will be no exceptions to the age requirement. Camper must be age 11 on or before	June 17, 2019, and must not reach age 15 on or before June 21, 2019.	COST	The cost is \$175 per camper which	check payable to: "WV DEP" and mail	With the attached application form <b>by</b> May 1, 2019 to:	Annette Hoskins, Camp Director Junior Conservation Camp	West Virginia Department of	601 57 <sup>th</sup> Street, SE	Charleston, WV 25304



### February 2019 WVCA Report

#### **Request to Conservation Districts**

The WVCA is encouraging Conservation Districts to review and update your District Policy Manuals. In addition to your policy manual you are encouraged to review your CD Employee Manual (if you have one) and your CD Plan of Work. If you are already doing these reviews, please disregard this request.

### The district personnel plan is due to SCC in March, so please add to your February agenda for review and approval.

#### Engineering Expression of Interest

Review your current contract and if needed, prepare to advertise and go through interview/selection process if needed.

The WVCA is interested in working with the district to ensure they retain a firm that has strong civil engineering and is familiar with dams.

Because of questions raised about these agreements, it's important to make sure that the scope of work is clearly defined and an agreement between the district and engineering firm is signed.

Also, the district may want to consider whether it wants an engineering firm that also can perform environmental assessments.

#### **Conservation Farm Tour**

It is time for districts to be thinking about the farm families to be awarded. CDs should have their district winners by May 31.

#### Agricultural/Conservation Day at the Capitol

Brian would like to thank all the Conservation Districts and Supervisors for your help and support at the recent Ag/Conservation Day. We would also request that you continue to stay in contact with your representatives and support our Budget and Bills.

#### 2019 WVACD Quarterly Meeting Dates/Locations:

April 22 & 23	Pipestem State Park
July 15 & 16	Highlands Event Center, Triadelphia
October 21 & 22	Flatwoods

### AGEP:

January 31 - Deadline for CDs to submit program comments

Early February – Review and organize comments received, develop options based on comments, have AgEP staff meeting to review comments received

February - Comments reviewed and forms revised

Late February - Revisions sent to CDs/staff for review

Mid-March - CDs submit recommendations for upcoming FY practices

Late March - State AgEP committee meeting to finalize upcoming FY AgEP, including allocation formula

April - Presentation of upcoming FY AgEP to SCC

### West Virginia Legislative Calendar

February 12, 2019 - Last day to introduce bills in the House February 18, 2019 - Last day to introduce bills in the Senate February 24, 2019 - Bills due out of committees February 27, 2019 - Last day to consider bill on third reading in house of origin March 19, 2019 - Last day of session

### O&M Sponsor letters

Brian is in the midst of meeting with all current O&M sponsors to review and renew O&M agreements that comply with Attorney General's opinion. When meeting dates are set, Belinda will send a note to DMs notifying them of the time and location of the local district meeting. Supervisors are encouraged to attend these meetings.

### SSRP Program

SSRP (Streambank Stabilization and Restoration Program) is on hold pending passage of the budget and outcome of discussions with the National Guard relating to flood mitigation projects.

### WVCA Project Section:

OM&R

- The total spent for OM&R for 2018 to date is \$752,036.68. Final numbers will be provided to the Districts by the Watershed Managers as final invoices are approved for 2018.
- Brian Farkas will be meeting with OM&R sponsors across the state. Some meetings have already taken place and others are planned. Area Directors will notify Districts as these meetings are scheduled.
- Five-year work plans including estimates have been developed for all districts.
- Supervisors are always welcome to attend inspections. Please contact the Watershed Manager in your area for an updated schedule.

Citizens Contact Reports

- Call Log Procedure a call log procedure has been implemented to assure that calls are directed to the appropriate project section staff. Please call 304-872-4302 and your call will be directed as needed.
- Technicians are performing site visits and generating stream management plans in response to the calls that are received.

Dam Rehab

Gannett Fleming is continuing to work on planning studies for Brush Creek 9 & 15 and New Creek 1 & 17 and perform the construction oversight for UDC1.

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