



LICKING COUNTY  
**SOIL &**  
**WATER**  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## Native Trees Save Stormwater

When you think of stormwater management strategies, you probably don't immediately think of native plants or trees. Well native plants offer an abundance of stormwater benefits for problems such as excess water, erosion, permeability, and protection.

**Water Absorption:** Native tree roots are more adapted to the soil types in their native region, allowing water to soak into the soil faster and absorb into the roots.

**Soil Stabilization:** The root systems of native trees help keep the soil in place, ensuring less sediment ends up in nearby water.

**Water Quality:** Trees help to absorb and filter out pollutants and bacteria from surface and ground water.

Licking County Soil and Water's Annual [Native Tree Sale](#) is live until March 20th! If you want to implement native trees into your stormwater management plan then check out the catalog on our website or visit us in office to get a paper copy!





## [Tree Lover Volunteer Opportunities!](#)

Attention all tree lovers! We are preparing for our Tree Sale and need amazing volunteers to help us get the orders prepared for pick up. This work is great for service groups, students, or anyone who just wants to fill their time.

Opportunities include inside and outside options, sitting and standing activities, and short or long time frames. All activities will be held at our office at 771 E Main St, Newark, OH 43055.

If interested, sign up [HERE!](#)

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## [2026 Forestry Field Day](#)

Licking Soil and Water is hosting a Forestry Field Day with the Division of Forestry. Join us for an educational walk through the woods where we will cover a variety of topics from tree ID, management plans, and CAUV requirements!



**When:** Thursday, March 12th, 2026

**Time:** 5:30-8:00 P.M.

**Where:** Fackler's Farm, 2590 Montgomery Rd NE, Newark, OH 43055

The site has steep hills that we will be walking up, so come ready to hike and ask questions! The event will be hosted rain or shine, and a light meal will be provided.

If interested, register [HERE!](#)

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## [Stream Team Volunteer Open House](#)

Are you interested in learning more about the health of Licking County's water resources?

Licking County Soil and Water Conservation District is hosting an open house to discuss the Stream Team Volunteer opportunity! You can come learn about the health of our streams and rivers and how you can play a part in collecting data. Stream team is an outdoor volunteer opportunity, typically in the streams or rivers of Licking County, so physical limitations are present.

**When:** Wednesday, April 1st, 2026

**Time:** 5:30-7:00 P.M.

**Where:** Ag Services Building, 771 E Main St, Newark, OH 43055

There will be a short presentation at 6 P.M. and staff will be available for questions before and after. A light meal will be provided.

Register [HERE](#) if interested in learning more!





## Come to the Local Conservation Work Group

If you want to participate in locally-led conservation, then you will want to attend the Annual Local Work Group Meeting. At this event you are able to discuss local conservation practices and needs with fellow landowners.

Organizations such as Licking County Soil and Water and NRCS will be present for you to provide guidance on conservation program implementation and delivery.

We want to hear about policy issues ranging from trade, agriculture education, infrastructure, commodities, and crop insurance from people who live through these experiences every day. Your opinions and advice are essential to success in the conservation world.

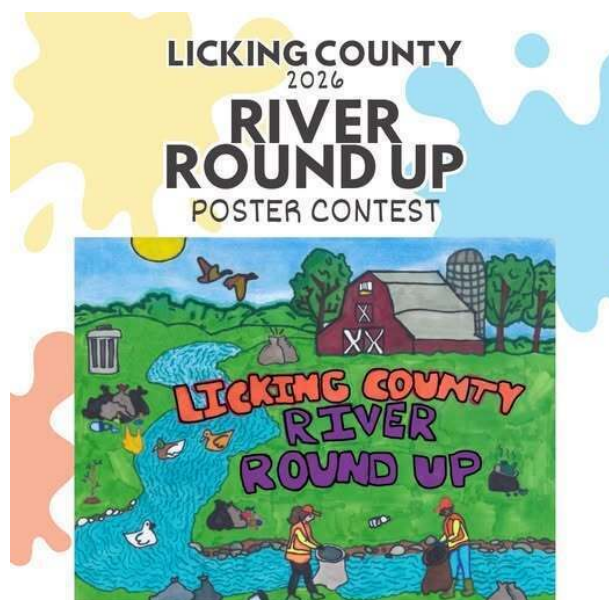
The event will be held Friday, March 27th, 7:30-10:00 A.M. at the Ag Services Building, 771 E Main St, Newark, OH 43055.

A breakfast will be provided. Please [RSVP](#) by Wednesday, March 25th.

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## River Round Up Poster Contest

The 2026 River Round Up Poster Contest is now taking submissions! To help get students involved in this event, we ask the students throughout Licking County to create and submit posters reflecting concepts such as water pollution awareness, the importance of clean water, and encouraging River Round Up volunteer participation.



Entries are split up into Elementary (K-4), Middle/Intermediate (5-8), and High School (9-12), with a winner being

chosen from each category. The winning students each receive a \$100 award, and their school receives a \$500 award toward their science or art program.

The submissions are open now until April 3rd. The winning posters will be announced on April 22nd - Earth Day!

You can submit posters digitally, via mail, or in person. You can find more information on rules and submission [HERE](#).

You can visit some River Round Up members at the Newark Market, Friday, March 13th 4:00-7:00 P.M. Come get some inspiration!

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## Important Dates

- Mar 7 @ Farm Bureau Farmer's Share Breakfast**
- Mar 10 SWCD Monthly Board Meeting**
- Mar 12 Forestry Field Day\***
- Mar 13 @ Newark Farmer's Market**
- Mar 19 Stream Team Kick Off Meeting\***
- Mar 20 Tree Sale Deadline\***
- Mar 21 International Day of Forests and World Wood Day**
- Mar 24 South Licking Watershed Conservancy District Meeting**
- Mar 27 Local Work Group Meeting**
- Apr 2 Stream Team Open House\***
- Apr 10 Tree Sale Order Pickup\***
- Apr 20 Pond Clinic\***

\*Events require an RSVP

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**[Visit our calendar for all upcoming events!](#)**

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## Licking County Soil & Water Conservation District

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Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

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