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## [Meet our candidates for the Soil & Water Board Election!](#)

Landowners and residents of Licking County elect the governing body of the Soil & Water Conservation District. The five Supervisors should represent our county's soil conservation and water conservation needs in rural, suburban, and urban settings, on farmland, and in our backyards and public lands.

**One candidate will be elected to start a 3-year term starting January 1, 2023.**

[Read the candidates' full bios here.](#)

**Lindsey Hoskinson** is the 5th generation farm owner of a family operation that raises beef cattle. Lindsey believes there has always been and continues to be misinformation about farming practices and their effects on the environment. As our population becomes more suburban, we need to be the voice for our Ag community. It's also essential that organic and non-organic groups support each other as we are all in this together.

**Rodney Tormes** spent 31 years with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources – Division of Water Resources in dam safety, water planning, floodplain management, and groundwater resources, retiring as the Chief of the Division a few years ago. Rodney sees the biggest natural resource challenges are coming from flooding and erosion due to development pressure, both commercial and residential. The stream degradation due to poor stormwater management and increased runoff has a negative impact on all of Licking County's residents. The Soil & Water's mission, oversight from the board, and fully staffed organization will help mitigate some of these issues.

### **Specifics on voting:**

Vote from October 2 – 31, 2022.

The election is all handled through the Soil & Water office, NOT through the Board of Elections office. Landowners and residents of Licking County can vote for Supervisors in multiple ways: in person, request a ballot be mailed to you, or at specific after-office hour events.

[Get all the details here.](#)

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**Can't make it to the office? Request an absentee ballot [here!](#)**

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[Join us in celebrating our wonderful Community Conservation efforts!](#)

The Annual Banquet will be Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at The Grove by the River, 840 Hollander Street, Newark

**5:30 pm ~ Community Celebration Reception**

Enjoy complimentary appetizers and cash bar, and thank you gifts for our partners, volunteers and supporters.

**6:15 pm ~ Dinner and Awards Celebration**

Awards presented for Cooperator, Volunteer, and Educator of the Year.

FFA Soil Judging winning teams will be recognized.

Buffet Dinner tickets are \$10.

[Buy your tickets online here!](#)



## [Claylick Run Farm Awarded Conservation Farm Family at the Farm Science Review on Sept. 22, 2022](#)

The Ohio Department of Agriculture recognized five families as winners of the 2022 Conservation Farm Family Awards at the Farm Science Review in London on Sept. 22.

Area 3 Winner- Claylick Run Farm, Licking County

The Felumlee family owns and operates Claylick Run Farm in Licking County, which is made up of nearly 1,300 acres of corn, soybeans, alfalfa/grass hay, and beef cattle. Claylick Run Farm is an innovative family farm that takes pride in their land. They are conservation-minded in all aspects of their farm program. The Felumlee family is active in their local agriculture groups and was a 2018 Licking SWCD Cooperator of the Year award winner.

[Congratulations to the Felumlee Family!](#)

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## [The Ohio Pollinator Habitat Initiative is calling on all](#)

# Ohioans for another year of Milkweed pod

## collections!

Milkweed is the only host plant for the Monarch butterfly for egg-laying and caterpillar rearing. It also serves as a food source for Monarch butterflies for egg-laying and caterpillar rearing. It also serves as a food source for Monarchs as well as many other pollinator species.

Drop off collected pods at the Soil & Water office, 771 East Main Street, Newark, OH by October 31st.

[Click here to learn more about how to collect the pods correctly.](#)



## Stormwater Awareness Week

October 16–22, 2022 has been designated as Stormwater Awareness Week, and Licking County Soil and Water Conservation District and communities across central Ohio are urging residents to take action by committing to “Be the Change for Clean Water.”

## What is your water footprint?

Celebrate Stormwater Week by pledging to reduce your water usage!

## Take the Water Footprint Calculator Quiz!

Just 3% of Earth's water is potable water for us to use for watering crops, drinking, bathing, and everything else. All the water we have on Earth now is all the water we've ever had and will ever have! If our water gets polluted, we don't have any backup supplies - so we better work to keep it clean!





## Reserve the no-till drill for fall

### planting

Need to replant a pasture? Have a small field to get seeded?

Give us a call to get on the schedule!

[Check out the John Deere 1590 No-Till Drill or Great Plains 706 No-Till Drill for your planting needs.](#)

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## Important Dates:

- Oct 2–31: Soil & Water Board Election
- Oct 10: Office closed for Columbus/Indigenous People Day
- Oct 12: Monthly Board meeting
- Oct 16–22: Ohio Stormwater Awareness Week
- Oct 20: Office open until 6 pm to vote in Soil & Water Board election
- Oct 25: Voting from 5:30 – 7 pm at the SLWCD meeting in Hebron
- Oct 25: South Licking Watershed Conservancy District Meeting
- Oct 31: Last day to vote in Soil & Water Board election
- Nov 16: Community Conservation Banquet (tickets required)

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

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