



Celebrating Community Conservation

Join us in celebrating our wonderful Community Conservation efforts on November 17, 2021, at the Grove by the River, 840 Hollander Street, Newark

5:30 – 6:00 pm ~ Community Celebration Reception

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

5:30 – 7:00 pm ~ Board of Supervisors Election

Two Supervisors will be elected by landowners and residents of Licking County to help guide the District's mission. Candidate bios for Ron Thompson and Seth Dobbelaer can be found [here](#)

6:30 ~ Dinner and Awards Celebration

Awards presented for Cooperator, Volunteer, and Educator of the Year. District FFA Soil Judging winning teams will be recognized.

Banquet tickets are \$10 per person. [Register online here](#) or email Information@LickingSWCD.com to reserve your seat!

Board of Supervisors Election

Landowners and residents of Licking County elect the governing body of Licking County Soil & Water Conservation District. The governing body is referred to as the Board of Supervisors. The election of Supervisors is conducted by the Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Commission pursuant to rules it adopts under Chapter 119 of the Revised Code. The five publicly-elected members of the Board of Supervisors serve, unpaid, for three-year terms.

**YOUR
VOTE
COUNTS**

The five Supervisors 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. They voluntarily work with community members and organizations to encourage wise use of our land and water.

Individuals who own or occupy land within the Licking County Soil and Water Conservation District and are 18 years of age or older may vote for Supervisor.

There are three ways an eligible voter can cast a ballot:

1. At the Soil & Water office from November 1, 2021, until November 30, 2021, during normal business hours; or
2. At the Soil & Water Annual Meeting, November 17, 2021, from 5:30 – 7:00 pm at The Grove by the River, 840 Hollander St, Newark, OH 43055.
3. Voting absentee from November 1, 2021, until November 30, 2021, by requesting the ballot application and election ballot by:

Mail: 771 East Main Street, Suite 100, Newark, OH 43055,

Call: 740-670-5330, or

Email: Information@LickingSWCD.com.

Absentee ballots must be received in the SWCD office by November 30, 2021.

Two Supervisors will be elected to a three-year term commencing January 1, 2022, and ending December 31, 2024.

[Learn more about the candidates here.](#)

[River Round Up 2021 was a success!](#)

A little late but a huge ***Thank You*** goes out to everyone for your support in making the 2021 River Round Up a huge success!

Totals have finally been tallied (drum roll please!):

Trash to landfill: 16,400 pounds

Tires: 334

Scrap metal: 1,540 pounds

Although we were down in volunteer numbers from 2019 (the last

"traditional" event to compare to), we still pulled

comparable numbers out of the waterways this year!

[Visit our Facebook Page to see our wonderful volunteers in action on September 11th!](#)



[Get connected with the outdoors!](#)

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If you are a science educator and need engaging lessons to fit into the curriculum standards, please let us know! We offer programs on soil, water, and natural resource topics and have materials for teachers to check out and use in your classroom.

One of the most exciting educational-related programs the Ohio Soil & Water Conservation Districts are involved in is the Envirothon Competition for teams of high school students. Teams consisting of five high school students compete at the area level and the three winning teams advance to the Ohio State Envirothon Competition and then on to the National competition. The best part is, the National Envirothon Competition will be held in Ohio in June 2022! If you are a High School teacher interested in putting a team together and/or are looking for resources to help your students prepare, we are here to help!

Contact Jackie Bruns, Conservation Educator at JackieBruns@LickingSWCD.com for a custom program for your class or group!



Interested in Farmland Preservation?

Soil & Water will be accepting applications starting in January 2022 for the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Local Agricultural Easement Purchase Program.

Looking ahead, there are items that can be discussed and steps that can be taken by landowners to prepare for the 2022 application process. For more information about how to prep for a future application, Briana Hodgson at BrianaHodgson@LickingSWCD.com.

Leaf it on the Lawn

You can save time and provide nutrients for your lawn by mulching leaves in the fall. Shredded leaf material blocks weeds and breaks down fast into free fertilizer! This means less time and money you have to spend on your lawn. Do your part by keeping leaves and grass out of your street where they can clog storm drains and feed algae.



Like the [Darrel The Rain Barrel Facebook page](#) for more tips on keeping our waterways clean!

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