

SAN Agriculture Workgroup Meeting
Virtual Meeting Agenda
April 28, 2025

10:00 - 11:30 am

Online:

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Meeting ID: 282 665 872 381

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Meeting Objectives:

- ★ Discuss agricultural conservation/restoration projects as they relate to the 2025 work plan
- ★ Updates on Projects and Programs
- ★ Review next steps and action items

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. SAN Updates

- a. SAN Project Wish List – please email Marguerite with details on priority projects for SAN
- b. [2025 Work Plan](#)

***Group Discussion** - Action 4c: Educate the public on sustainable local consumption and the farm-to-water connection*

3. Partner Updates – Grants, funding programs, projects

- a. Conservation Easements
- b. USDA NRCS Program Updates
 - i. Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP)
 - ii. National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI)
 - iii. Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)
 - iv. Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)
 - v. Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)
 - vi. Cover Crop Funds
 - vii. Emergency Watershed Program (EWP)
- c. ACAP
- d. National Fish & Wildlife Foundation (NFWF)
 - i. Delaware Watershed Conservation Fund (DWCF) – basin-wide
 - 1. BerksCCD Cold Run Habitat Restoration and Agricultural BMP (& SRRF)
 - 2. Grube Farm
 - ii. BCCD forestry pilot program

- e. Schuylkill River Restoration Fund
 - i. Berks Nature
 - ii. 2024
 - 1. Masemore
 - 2. Bitler
 - iii. 2025
 - 1. NRCS- Wilitz Project
 - 2.
 - iv. BerksCCD
 - 1. Weinstein
 - v. PVTU
 - 1. Longacre Farm
 - vi. Poquessing Creek- SRRF
 - vii. LCCD
 - 1. Lynnacres
 - 2. Last Chance Angus
 - f. Growing Greener Projects
 - i. Cacoosing Floodplain Assessment
 - g. Urban Ag Programs
 - h. Other Ag Funding Programs and Projects
4. Education & Outreach Project Updates – Workshops, events
- a. [Conservation Cornerstone: Effective Engagement Techniques](#) (4/29)
 - b. [Pennsylvania Forest Seminar: Nut Trees in Pennsylvania](#) (5/13)
 - c. [Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Spring In-Person Native Plant Sale May 17 & 18 In Berks County](#) (5/17-5/18)
5. Other (11:50 - 11:55) - All
- a. News
 - i. [State Conservation Commission Now Accepting Applications for Agriculture Conservation Assistance Grants from Philadelphia County](#)
 - ii. [When the USDA froze grant funds, a local nonprofit — and small East Coast farms — were left holding the bag. Now they're suing.](#)
6. Wrap Up & Next Meeting Dates (11:55 - 12:00)
- a. Next Meeting Dates
 - i. Wednesday, July 10th 10:30. Hybrid meeting at Berks County Ag Center followed by visit to Berks County Fair (Q3)