



## News Release

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### **DeKalb County SWCD Erosion and Sediment Control Seminar and Expo on May 30 at Callanwolde Fine Arts Center**

**ATLANTA** – The DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District is sponsoring the 26<sup>th</sup> annual Erosion and Sediment Control Seminar and Expo on May 30 beginning at 8 a.m. at the Callanwolde Fine Arts Center, 980 Briarcliff Road, NE, Atlanta, Ga. 30306.

Among the topics will be “Gaining Public Support for Water Quality” and a discussion of “Atlanta’s New Green Infrastructure Ordinance.”

“This is a unique opportunity for the public to learn about controlling soil erosion, stabilizing streambanks and protecting water quality for the citizens and businesses in DeKalb County and the surrounding metro areas,” said Robert Amos, Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission regional representative.

Speakers include representatives from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA); City of Atlanta, Department of Watershed Management; Georgia Tech’s Office of Environmental Stewardship; and the NPDES Stormwater Training Institute. The Expo will feature new erosion and sediment control practices, products and programs.

A \$30 registration fee includes lunch. Proceeds from the event will provide scholarships for students attending the annual Natural Resources Conservation Workshop held in Tifton, Ga., each June. Funds are also used to provide resource materials to teachers, clubs, organizations, homeowners and others who are interested in conserving natural resources.

This year’s Expo still has openings for a few exhibitors/vendors. Organizations wishing to exhibit at the Expo should email Dell MacGregor, Chairperson, DeKalb County SWCD, at [macdell@earthlink.net](mailto:macdell@earthlink.net) or call 770-761-3020.

Register for the event by emailing Jenny Searl at [jsearl@gaswcc.org](mailto:jsearl@gaswcc.org) or calling 770-761-3020. Checks may be made payable to DeKalb County SWCD and mailed to the DeKalb County SWCD c/o GSWCC Region III, 1500 Klondike Road, SW, Suite A109, Conyers, Ga. 30094. News media wishing to attend the event should email their request to Michael Wald at [mwald@gaswcc.org](mailto:mwald@gaswcc.org).

The DeKalb County SWCD is one of 40 soil and water conservation districts in Georgia led by volunteer district supervisors who work to conserve, improve and protect Georgia’s natural resources. At the state level, GSWCC supports locally led soil and water conservation districts through education, technical, financial and planning assistance and through program oversight.

The Natural Resources Conservation Workshop is available to rising 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students in Georgia. More information is available at <http://gaswcc.georgia.gov/natural-resources-conservation-workshop>. Information about GSWCC is available at <http://gaswcc.georgia.gov> or by calling (706) 552-4470.

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