

# LAMAR COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



**FY 2022 Plan of Work**

The Lamar County Soil & Water Conservation District, as required by Georgia law (OCGA 2-6-33), is charged with creating a plan of work for each fiscal year. This plan of work will lay out activities and events that the District plans to carry out in order to advance its mission to protect the natural resources within the District.

**1. NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION – TOURS AND FIELD DAYS**

Sponsor and conduct demonstrations, tours, and field days to acquaint farmers and land-users with methods of protecting soil and water resources and promote greater participation and compliance with best management practices. When necessary, seek outside financial resources to support these events.

		<u>Budget</u>
• Beef Cattle 102 Educational Series	2021 – 2022	\$25,000
• Ag After Hours	May 2022	\$600
• Leadership Lamar Ag Tour	Spring 2022	\$400

**2. CONSERVATION EDUCATION ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH**

To educate and increase conservation awareness among the youth in the District, the Lamar County SWCD plans to use funding on opportunities for the youth. The District plans to participate in Soil Stewardship Week by purchasing materials to distribute to schools and the Lamar County library. The District also plans to sponsor 2 students to attend the Natural Resource Conservation Workshop in Tifton at a cost of \$250 per student.

		<u>Budget</u>
• Soil Stewardship Week	April 2022	\$100
• Ag Farm Day	April 2022	\$300
• Career Day at Lamar Co. High School	Fall 2022 (tentative)	\$50
• NRCW Summer Camp	June 2022	\$550
• Wetland Nature Trail Development	Ongoing	\$2,000
• Georgia Envirothon Team Sponsorship	Summer 2022	\$200

**3. CONSERVATION EDUCATION FOR CITIZENS AND FARMERS IN LAMAR COUNTY**

To increase conservation awareness for citizens, landowners and farmers in the Lamar County area, the District will continue to issue a seasonal newsletter for citizens in the county as well as conservation partners and like-minded agencies throughout the state. The District will also coordinate digital outreach through its social media channels, allotting a budget for its digital presence in conservation education and promotion of its field days.

		<u>Budget</u>
• Seasonal District newsletter	2021-2022	\$2,000
• Digital media advertising	Ongoing	\$500

**4. MEMBERSHIP IN PARTNERING CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS**

The Lamar County Conservation District supports its partners in conservation efforts by paying its annual dues to the following organizations:

	<u>Budget</u>
• Georgia Association of Conservation Districts (GACD)	\$500
• National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD)	\$375
• Two Rivers RC&D Council, Inc.	\$300
• Barnesville—Lamar County Chamber of Commerce	\$125

**4. SUPERVISOR CONTINUING EDUCATION AND CONSERVATION EVENT PARTICIPATION**

In an effort to keep Supervisors informed on conservation issues, the District will pay travel expenses and registration fees as needed to attend training events and conservation related events.

- Registration and Attendance to Events (GACD Registration) \$3,000

**5. WATERSHED DAMS**

The District will monitor and perform maintenance as required for its four watershed dams.

- Tobesofkee Creek: #70
- Potato Creek: #, 78, 103, 115

**6. EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLAN REVIEW**

The District will review Erosion and Sediment Control Plans for local governments and ratify the plans at its monthly meeting.

**7. ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

The District will continue to maintain its obligations and duties as required and agreed upon by the Board of Supervisors. These duties will be directly related to the mission and values of the Lamar County SWCD.