

WARREN COUNTY
CONSERVATION
DISTRICT

FY – 2023 ANNUAL PLAN OF WORK

2022 Plan of Work
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On October 31, 1979 the Warren County Conservation District was organized and is a legal subdivision of the Georgia State Government. The Warren Conservation District meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 a.m. unless publicized otherwise. No meetings are held the months of July and December.

DISTRICT SUPERVISORS:

Chairman - James H. McMichael; 435 Main Street; Warrenton, Georgia 30828

Treasurer/Secretary - Norma “Missy” Garner - 262 Reynolds Road; Warrenton, Georgia 30828

Vice Chairman - Chadwick “Chad” Mosley - P.O. Box 7; Warrenton, Georgia 30828

Steve Smith - 2055 Thomson Highway; Warrenton, Georgia 30828

John Shivers – 46 Success Way; Warrenton, Georgia 30828

Warren County **Conservation District**

Annual Plan of Work **Fiscal Year (FY) 2022**

This Plan of Work establishes the major objectives for the Warren County Conservation District during FY 2022. It emphasizes Conservation of Natural Resources within the District.

Major Objectives

- 1. Natural Resource Conservation** - Promote the conservation of soil, water, forestry, wildlife, and other natural resources.
- 2. Conservation Education** - Promote conservation education through youth and adult education programs.
- 3. Public Relations & Information** - To create public awareness of District conservation programs and objectives.
- 4. Erosion and Sedimentation Program** - Provide technical assistance related to erosion control and sedimentation prevention to citizens and local units of government.

Natural Resource Conservation

Action Item

1. Promote natural resources conservation with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) through the district responsibility for implementing the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), and other Farm Bill programs.
2. Provide assistance to landowners/producers to plan and apply conservation Best Management Practices.
3. Host an annual Local Work Group Meeting and agency partners, local farmers to prioritize resources, and practices for the 2018 Farm Bill Program Funding.
4. Provide soils information to the public through the Web-based Web Soil Survey to promote proper land use planning.
5. Participates in the annual Fall Sportsman Festival in Warrenton to share information on conservation objectives and practices.
6. Continuing to partner with the Georgia Association of Conservation Districts (GACD).

Conservation Education

Action Item

1. The District sponsors several high school students annually to attend the Natural Resources Conservation Workshop (NRCW). The workshop is held every year at the Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC) in Tifton, Georgia. The program introduces them at an early age to the concepts of soil and water conservation. The District sponsors the students by covering the \$275 registration fee required for each student to attend the camp and their transportation.
2. Holds an annual conservation poster contest for local school systems and awards the winners appropriately.
3. Holds an annual conservation photo contest for local high school students and awards the winners appropriately.
4. Shares conservation educational bookmarks and brochures with the Warren students and adults.
5. Helps schools in the District with conservation education activities.
6. The District participates in the annual Fall Sportsman Festival in Warrenton to share information on conservation objectives and practices.
7. Helps schools in the District with conservation education activities.
8. Provide grant writing assistance to local teachers.

Public Relations and Information

Action Item

1. Develop and distribute annual report on the District's accomplishments.
2. Provide for oversight of District funds by the annual review of expenditures and income and prepare a detailed financial report at the end of each fiscal year.
3. Work closely with other agencies (GACD, FSA, RD, UGA Cooperative Extension Service, GFC, GSWCC, NRCS, RC&D, GFB, and DNR) to coordinate conservation program activities in the District. Encourage each agency representative to attend board meetings and keep District supervisors informed on the various agency programs in the District.
4. Prepare and share news articles on the District's programs in the District.
5. Keep locally elected officials fully informed about conservation issues and of on-going conservation programs and District accomplishments.
6. Maintain the district website and Facebook page to highlight District activities and objectives.

7. Hold officer elections every two years in December of even-numbered years to elect a Chairman, Vice Chairman, and a Treasurer/Secretary.

Erosion and Sedimentation Program

Action Item

1. Review erosion and sediment control plans for land disturbance projects within the limits of each Local Issuing Authority (LIA) that falls under the requirements of the erosion and sediment control ordinance of the LIA where there is not a Memorandum of Agreement with the District.
2. Provide technical assistance to evaluate soil and water resources for propose development projects.
3. Promote soil and water conservation through the GSWCC Erosion and Sedimentation Certification Program (E&S).
4. Provide LIA's with technical assistance for their erosion and sedimentation control program and assist with interpretation of the Georgia Erosion and Sedimentation Act.