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**PINE MOUNTAIN
SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**2012
ANNUAL REPORT
&
2013
PLAN OF WORK**

DISTRICT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Maintained Memoranda of Understanding with NRCS and Farm Service Agency.
- Held Local Work Group Meeting to set resource concerns and priority practices under EQIP
- Cooperated Two Rivers RC&D Council, Marion County High School, ABAC, and UGA in developing projects within the District.
- Membership in Georgia Association of Conservation District Supervisors and National Association of Conservation Districts to support conservation efforts on the state and national level.
- Sponsored students attending the Natural Resources Conservation Workshop.
- Reviewed erosion and sediment control plans as required by state law, and conducted overview of Columbus LIA
- Attended statewide annual meetings and trainings
- Held Annual Pine Mountain Forestry Field Day
- Obtained grant funding from Flint Energies and Sumter EMC
- Hosted District tour of Lockerly Arboretum and Marvin Jones Nature Center
- Cooperated with UGA, Two Rivers RC&D, and Marion County School System in development of Conceptual Plan for Environmental Walking Trail and Arboretum Project.
- Chairman Sam Rigdon awarded Supervisor of the Year



Annual Pine Mountain Forestry Field Day in Buena Vista, GA



UGA Forestry Student Presentation on Walking Trail Concept

As a consequence, the Pine Mountain Soil and Water Conservation District was organized on July 17, 1939, and comprises Chattahoochee, Harris, Marion, Muscogee, and Talbot Counties. Two District Supervisors from each county serve on a 10-member Board of Directors. Each county has an elected and appointed Supervisor serving a 4 and 2 year term respectfully.

Following the 1930s Dust Bowl disaster, Congress passed legislation declaring soil and water conservation a national policy and priority. In 1937 President Roosevelt wrote to state governors recommending legislation that would allow local landowners to form soil conservation districts.



Assisting the District are the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission and the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS).

The Commission, established by the General Assembly in 1937, is charged with and empowered to provide guidance, coordination and assistance to the District. Their primary goal is to provide maximum protection to Georgia's soil and water resources.

By written agreement with and at the request of the Pine Mountain District, NRCS provides professional conservationists to help implement the district's long-range conservation program. The Pine Mountain District channels the services of NRCS to cooperators, individuals, groups, and units of government - and sets priorities for the implementation of conservation practices.

Contact your local representative, the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service, or the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission for more information about the work and services of the Pine Mountain District.