

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**SATILLA RIVER SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
 July 1, 2011– June 30, 2012



THE SATILLA RIVER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT WAS ORGANIZED BY A CHARTER WHICH WAS ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE ON MAY 2, 1942 UNDER A PROVISION OF THE GEORGIA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT LAW OF 1937. THE SATILLA RIVER DISTRICT COMPRISES AN AREA OF 2,907,520 ACRES, MAKING IT THE LARGEST DISTRICT EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER. THE SATILLA RIVER DISTRICT HAS TWO SUPERVISORS ONE FROM EACH COUNTY- ONE WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION AND ONE WHO IS ELECTED BY REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE COUNTY IN A SPECIAL ELECTION. ALL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS VOLUNTARILY GIVE OF THEIR TIME TO PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION. THE DISTRICT WAS ORGANIZED TO GIVE LOCAL LEADERSHIP IN HELPING THE NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE, A DIVISION OF THE U S DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ESTABLISH COOPERATING LANDOWNERS AND LANDUSERS WITH SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION PROBLEMS. THE SATILLA RIVER BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROVIDES LEADERSHIP IN MAKING THE MOST EFFECTIVE USE OF CONSERVATION FUNDS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE DISTRICT.

**DISTRICT ACTIVITIES**

A major portion of the Board’s job involves publicity and promotional programs - programs that help to make the public aware of the continuing need to conserve soil and water and improve water quality.

1. Sponsored Soil and Water Stewardship Week April 29th through May 6th.
2. Worked with area planning and development commission, city and county units of government.
3. Distributed soil and water conservation district promotional materials through out the District.
4. Sponsored students to the Natural Resources Workshop.
5. Provided environmental educational material to students in the District.
6. Sponsored the Woodbine Tree Care Seminar on February 23rd to provide conservation related information utilizing trees in an urban environment.
7. Reviewed erosion and sediment control plans as required by the Erosion and Sedimentation Act of 1975.
8. District held the Camden County Forestry Management Workshop on January 27th.
9. Held annual Christmas luncheon, invited wives, guest speakers and chaplain.
10. District supported and promoted the Hurricane/Little Satilla 319
11. Supported conservation on the national and state level through NACD and GACDS by paying dues on time.
12. Supported the Coastal Georgia and Seven Rivers Resource Conservation and Development Council Projects.

**LITTER SPREADER AVAILABLE**

The Satilla River Soil and Water Conservation District has a poultry litter spreader available to land owners. For information on the spreader contact: James Corbitt, Route 1 Box 131, Pearson, Georgia 31642 (912) 422-6040.

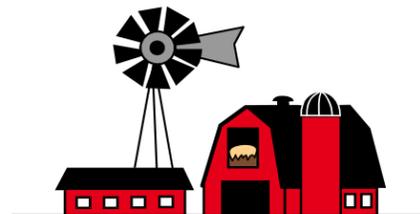
13. Developed a budget and established committees to carry out District programs.
14. Secured additional funds from each County to assist in District programs.
15. Participated in CoastFest and supplied attendees with conservation teaching aides.
16. Continued a Memoriam of Agreement between the Farm Service Agency and the Satilla River District.
17. Reviewed Memo of Understanding between District, NRCS, CFSA and others.
18. Encouraged participation in the Forestry Stewardship Program.
19. Encouraged good attendance by supervisors at monthly meetings..
20. Promoted the use of the State Conservation Commission Best Management Practices
21. The District ordered pocket calendars and rain gauges for the landowners.
22. Encouraged supervisors to attend the Summer Group V Meeting in Vidalia.
23. Sponsored Erosion and Sediment Control Certification Seminars to educate the public about Erosion and Sediment Control Laws and Regulations.
24. District supported the purchase of land in Oconee County by GACDS with plans to build an office in the future.
25. Supported the Urban 319 Project to hire an E&S Inspector to assist with plan reviews and inspections in LIA jurisdiction.

THE GOAL OF THE SATILLA RIVER DISTRICT IS TO USE EACH ACRE OF LAND WITHIN ITS CAPABILITIES AND TO TREAT EACH ACRE ACCORDING TO ITS NEEDS.

***IN APPRECIATION***

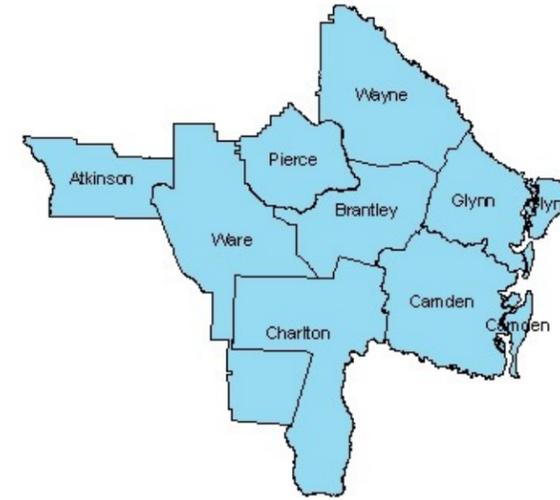
*The Satilla River Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors would like to take this opportunity to thank the landowners and landusers of the District who are doing outstanding work in applying soil and water conservation practices.*

*During the past year, the District has been assisted by many agencies. The Board would like to express their sincere appreciation to the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Farm Service Agency, Vocational Agriculture, the Georgia Forestry Commission, the Cooperative Extension Service, the County Commissions in the eight counties and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.*



**SATILLA RIVER DISTRICT SUPERVISORS**

Marvin H. Giddens, Jr	Atkinson County
James C. Grantham	Atkinson County
Walter C. Thomas	Brantley County
Curtis J. Tumlin	Brantley County
Milner S. Carnes	Camden County
William R. Alexander	Camden County
Vacant	Charlton County
John Lynn Murray	Charlton County
Ann T. Keene	Glynn County
Paul M. Nobles, Sr.	Glynn County
Jim Waters	Pierce County
Kenneth Bennett	Pierce County
Dan Good	Ware County
Neal Penland	Ware County
Wallace Moody	Wayne County
Jonathan M. Harris	Wayne County



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**AGENCIES ASSISTING THE DISTRICT**

**STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Brent Dykes, Executive Director, Athens, Georgia  
 Rahn Milligan, Regional Representatiuve, Statesboro, Georgia  
 Jason Mallard, Resource Specialist, Statesboro, Georgia  
 Dianne Griffin, Administrative Assistant, Statesboro, Georgia

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE**

James Tillman, State Conservationist, Athens, Georgia  
 Sidney Lanier, Area Conservationist, Waycross, Georgia  
 Rita Barrow, Paul Harris and Shanda Thompson, Wayne, Glynn, Camden and Brantley Counties  
 Gene Oliver and Dane Smith, Charlton, Pierce and Ware Counties  
 Barry Dees, Ware County Employee  
 Eleanor Youmans, Pierce County Employee  
 Daniel Lavender, Atkinson County  
 Andre McGregor, Glynn County

**RC&D PERSONNEL**

Ann Crockett, Coastal Georgia RC&D Administrative Assistant, Richmond Hill, Georgia  
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