



Conservation In Action

**Summer
2024**

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Coshocton Soil and Water Conservation District

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Mission: Providing leadership to educate and assist landowners in the wise management of our natural resources.

First FARM Friday on Main Street



We hope you will join us on Main Street in Coshocton for First FARM Friday on August 2 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The goal of First FARM Friday is to educate the public about the importance of agriculture in our community and beyond. Visit one of our many displays, climb into farm machinery, and get up close to farm animals. Bring the kids to complete a stamp card and receive a free cup of custard from Whit's Frozen Custard.

Do you have a question for a local farmer? At First FARM Friday, you can talk to the men and women of

Coshocton County agriculture. All of the presenters at the event volunteer their time to educate the community about Coshocton County's number one industry. First FARM Friday was organized to be a fun, educational event that helps the general public understand the importance of agriculture in our community and beyond.



2024 Ohio Envirothon

A Coshocotn Co. Career Center Natural Resources team placed first at the Area 3 Envirothon, qualifying them for the State Competition at Hocking College. They were tested on their knowledge of Forestry, Aquatics, Soils, Wildlife, and the Current Environmental Issue. The team members were Nick Art, Damian Yoder, Thomas Snodgrass, Wyatt Lockard, and Jake Veon and the advisor was their teacher Marcus Olinger. The team placed 13th, a great achievement at a tough competition!

Jake is very involved in his profession and serves on several committees. He is currently serving a term as the Chair of the Ohio Tree Farm Committee and is the Past Chair of the Ohio Society of American Foresters. Additionally, he is on the Planning Committee for Camp Canopy. In the past, he also served as the Secretary of the East Central Ohio Loggers Chapter, which encompasses Coshocton County.

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Entries will be measured by Coshocton SWCD staff using national standardized measurement criteria. The owners of the two winning Big Trees will each receive a plaque and 2 tickets to Coshocton SWCD's Annual Meeting & Banquet on October 17 at the Lake Park Pavilion. Contact the our office or visit the website for an entry form or more information. All entries must be received by **Friday, August 30**.

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Deadline for program applications is **Wednesday, July 10**. SWCD staff can assist you with the application process. Call the office at 740-622-8087 x 4 or email zachwallace@coshoctoncounty.net for assistance or further details.



SWCD Seeking Candidates for the Board of Supervisors

Coshocton SWCD is seeking candidates for its Board of Supervisors. One supervisor will be elected with a three-year term beginning in January 2025.

Board Supervisors guide the district, its staff, and cooperating agencies in efforts to implement conservation programs in the county that address management and conservation of soil, water, and related resources. Board members should have a sincere interest in conservation and must have the enthusiasm, dedication, and time to serve as an elected official. This is a volunteer position, but supervisors can be reimbursed for mileage & expenses related to events involving soil and water professionals.



- Candidates must be over 18 years old and a resident of Coshocton County.
- This is a volunteer position with a 3-year term.
- Regular Board Meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month at 8:00 p.m. April through November and 12:00 p.m. December through March; meetings normally run about 2 hours.
- Attendance at occasional outside meetings, events, or trainings is required.

If you are interested in running to become a Supervisor or would like more information, please contact Ryan Medley at ryanmedley@coshoctoncounty.net or 740-622-8087 x 4.



August Pasture Walk

A Pasture Walk will be held on **Tuesday, August 27, at 6:30 p.m.** at the Travis Hahn farm (23794 County Road 93, Fresno, OH 43824). The Pasture Walk will highlight goat production. There will be signs posted to help you find the farm. We hope you will join us to hear directly from the landowner about his operation and get ideas to use on your farm. Reservations are not required. If you would like more information or to receive a postcard for pasture walks please call us at (740)622-8087 x 4 or email ryanmedley@coshoctoncounty.net.

2024 Affiliate Members

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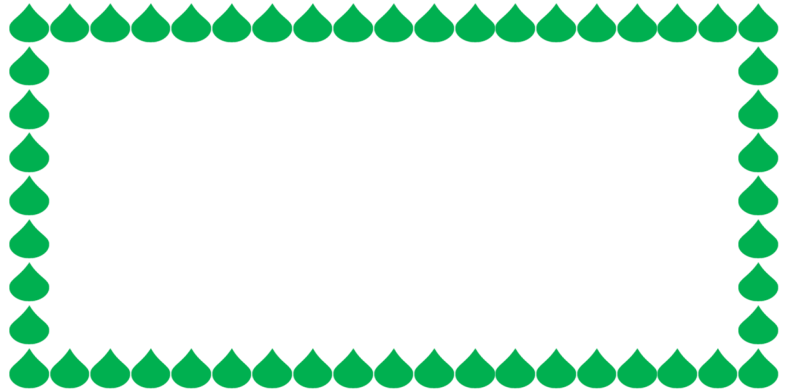
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Forestry Field Day

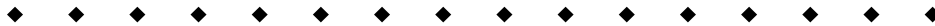
A forestry field day will be held on **Wednesday, July 17 at 6:00 p.m.** The location will be **Schumaker Farms** (52441 CR 16, West Lafayette, OH 43845). Topics include: Recent Storm Damage Timber Harvest, Crop Tree Release, Herbicide Application Demonstration, and more.

Event Sponsored By:



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Signs will be posted and reservations are required by July 15th. Light refreshments will be provided. To RSVP, contact 740-622-8087, ext. 4 or ryanmedley@coshoctoncounty.net.



SWCD's Newest Arrival

Congratulations to Administrative Assistant Kelsey Saylor, her husband Jared, and children Dylen, Carson, and Rylee on the arrival of baby Olivia in May!

Calendar of Events

July 10
SWCD Board Meeting,
8:00 p.m.

July 17
Forestry Field Day,
6:00 p.m.

August 2
First Farm Friday,
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

August 14
SWCD Board Meeting,
8:00 p.m.

August 27
Pasture Walk,
6:30 p.m.

August 30
Big Tree Contest Deadline

September 2
Labor Day,
Office Closed