



LANCASTER COUNTY Conservation District

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

Lancaster Farm & Home Center

Zoom Info: <https://zoom.us/j/91731607863>

Business Meeting 7:30 PM

Timer

7:30 Invocation –
Call to Order, Sonia Wasco, Chairperson
Welcome & Introductions – Sonia Wasco
Additions to the Agenda – Christopher Thompson
Public Comment: Survey media/guests: Agenda items of interest – Sonia Wasco

7:50 III. Additional Business

Addition to Additional Business:

6. *District Fall Intern – Goldsmith/Gregory (attachment)..... 1
7. *Countywide Action Plan Grant Proposal – Goldsmith (attachment)..... 1
8. *DEP’s Technical Assistance Program – Kofroth (attachment) 2

Item III.6
District Fall Intern – F&M Works in Lancaster

The District's Watershed program requests approval to apply for a fall intern through Franklin & Marshall's Works in Lancaster Internship Program. In this program, F&M provides a paid intern at no cost to LCCD for up to 10 hours a week for the fall semester from 9/8/25 to 12/5/25. F&M advertises, interviews, and takes care of the hiring process. The fall intern will assist Watershed programs with the following activities: fall tree planting and buffer maintenance, preparation for the 75th LCCD anniversary, long profiles of stream projects, water quality monitoring, and restoration projects.

***Action Required**

Item III.7
Countywide Action Plan (CAP) Grant Proposal

The Clean Water Partners announced another round of the CAP Clean Water Fund, and the District is applying for funding for one stream restoration and riparian buffer project in the Conestoga Watershed. The property owner is Mr. Lee Nolt at 1061 Weaverland Rd, East Earl, PA 17519. In total, the project is approximately 1,300 linear feet of restoration and 2 acres of riparian buffer on Shirks Run, a small tributary to the Conestoga River. LCCD plans to request \$220,000 for in-stream construction, riparian buffer installation, and a sign at the property. Mr. Nolt owns a farm stand that attracts many visitors, and agreed to signage about the restoration project. Given the outreach opportunity and future opportunity for restoration on a small tributary, the Watershed team recommends that the board support this application.

***Action Required**

Item III.8
DEP's Technical Assistance Program (TAP)

Seeking to address the need for additional technical assistance to design agricultural BMPs, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) launched the Technical Assistance Program (TAP), particularly for Counties that didn't already have engineering support at their Conservation District. Larson Design Group, Inc. (LDG) has been retained by DEP to provide technical services for project implementation to assist Pennsylvania in reaching its nutrient and sediment reduction goals. Proposed projects must be located within a [Most Effective Basin](#) of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed to be eligible to receive service awards, and they must be submitted by the corresponding county conservation district.

The Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay has submitted a request for technical assistance on 2 farms that may be a fit for the DEP/Larson opportunity. Here's what we know about those two farms:

- Jacob Glick, 3260A East Gordon Rd, Gordonville, PA
 - o Amish dairy with 70 milking cows and 50 heifers & calves
 - o BMPs of interest: Roofed HUA for milking cows, roofed HUA for heifers, and related drainage/roof runoff practices. Also, riparian forest buffer with exclusion fencing.
- Sam Fisher, 2067 Mine Rd, Paradise, PA
 - o Amish beef operation with 40 head, located in the West Branch Octoraro Creek HUC 12. He is slightly downstream of the O28 Nickel Mines delisting catchment.
 - o Will need an IE and permitting for the crossing.
 - o BMPs of interest: Manure stacking shed, potentially combined manure/mortality composting facility, riparian forest buffer with exclusion fencing, stream crossing

The due date for this round of support is August 15th.

Action is requested to sponsor these two projects for the TAP program.

***Action Required**