



The Nor'Easter

PORTLAND, MAINE — HERE WE COME!



Portland, Maine is the destination this August for the annual NACD Northeast Region Meeting and the annual meeting of the Northeast Association of Conservation District Employees. Make your plans to attend!

NACDE has planned an interesting tour on land and sea featuring the best Portland has to offer. We will start off with a leisurely cruise of

beautiful Casco Bay featuring three lighthouses. Following the cruise, we'll continue with a narrated trolley tour of historic Portland. The price for the tour is \$45.00 and is listed separately on the conference registration.



Tuesday morning, August 10 at 7 a.m. will be the NACDE breakfast and awards program open to all meeting attendees. A number of District employees and District Supervisors/Directors will be part of the various concurrent workshop sessions and conference tours. Some of the sessions include "Climate Change and Emergency



Management", NRCS/District Partnerships, Water Quality Success Stories, Carbon Credits and Energy Issues, Urban Conservation Programs, and Public Education/Outreach.

The meeting is being held at the Eastland Park Hotel.

NACDE AWARD NOMINATIONS DUE

Here's your opportunity to give honor and recognition to fellow employees at the local and regional levels and to a District Supervisor, Director or other individual who is doing an outstanding job in working with District professionals on a regional basis.

The deadline for nominations is June 11, 2010 and should be submitted to Tim Thomas, NACDE Vice President. You can fax to Tim at 732-683-8500 or email to tthomas@freeholdscd.org. Contact your state delegate for application forms.

Please take the time to give honor where honor is due.

HydroCAD workshops will be held in Wilmington, Delaware June 28-30, 2010. Registration deadline is June 14. The Westmoreland RC&D Council in PA is sponsoring workshops in July and New Jersey may sponsor workshops in August. The workshops are conducted by Currier, Dobbs & Griswold, LLC (CDG). These workshops raise funds for NACDE and the sponsoring organization along with CDG. If interested in sponsoring a workshop, contact Ed Hoxsie.

Special points of interest:

- NACDE is developing a travel stipend policy to assist with attendance at the NACD Northeast Region meeting and at the NACD national conference. A draft policy will be available soon for review by the Board.
- The national leadership conference sponsored by NCDEA is scheduled for December 13-15, 2010 in Louisville, Kentucky. Stipends will be available. Stay tuned.

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ROBERT DOBBS RECEIVES NCDEA AWARD

Our own Robert (Bob) Dobbs from New Jersey was the recipient of the NCDEA 2010 District Professional of the Year award. He received this high honor during the annual meeting of the National Conservation District Employees Association this past February in Florida.



Robert Dobbs hails from the state of New Jersey and has been an employee of the Camden County Soil and Water Conservation District for 31 years. He has been proactive in restructuring the District program to build capacity in order to address resource needs. As a member of the New Jersey Conservation District Employee Association for 25 years, Robert has served as Secretary, Vice President, and President. He served as the Regional Representative to NCDEA and assisted with the coordination of the Leadership Development Program. Robert served as President of NACDE. While serving as President of the National Conservation District Employees Association, Robert was responsible for the creation and funding of the first Executive Director position for NCDEA. He continues to assist NCDEA and NACD by serving on a task force for training certification of district professionals that work in urban and coastal areas. Mr. Dobbs is a member of the Agriculture Development Board, past President of the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions, and serves on the advisory board for the Vorhees Environmental and Cultural Foundation.

Direct questions about NACDE to Ed Hoxsie at ed.hoxsie@ny.nacdnet.net.

DISTRICT EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION UPDATES



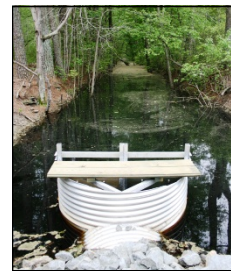
What a swing!

The **Delaware Conservation District Employees Association** held a joint spring meeting with the SWCS Pocomoke Chapter. Attendees toured the Great Cypress Swamp located near Dagsboro, DE. The tour featured wetland restoration and sustainable forestry practices implemented by Delaware Wild Lands, Inc. and their partners. DCDEA held its annual golf tournament in April. There were 39 golfers at the tournament. Total net proceeds were \$1044.04 with a portion of those going towards the newly established DCDEA Scholarship Fund. This

was the first year we had six business sponsors for the tournament. The Delaware Association of Conservation Districts teamed up with USDA—NRCS and the First State RC&D Council to purchase and distribute a soils book “Soil! Get the Inside Scoop” to all elementary and middle school libraries and public libraries in Delaware.

The **New York State Conservation District Employees Association** wrapped up another successful Water Quality Symposium with 315 attendees and almost 200 at the CDEA awards banquet. Sandy Huey from the Cayuga County Soil and Water Conservation District was the recipient of the Willard F. Croney Award for Distinguished Service. Sandy is the watershed program manager for the District. The Cayuga District was proud to receive the Excellence in Conservation Equipment and Technology Use award at the NACD annual meeting in Orlando, Florida. The CDEA is sponsoring a CPESC Review Course June 21 at the Dutchess County Soil and Water Conservation District office.

The **New Jersey Conservation District Employees Association** has been very active on the state training committee. About 15 training workshops have been held so far with the most recent being on winter plant identification, GIS training, and how to provide expert testimony if called to do so. They also are assisting with the planning of the New Jersey Association of Conservation Districts annual meeting in October.



Water control structure