



80th SWCS International
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Conservation Coast to Coast

August 3–6, 2025 | Costa Mesa, California

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

About the Conference

The Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) invites you to attend the 80th SWCS International Annual Conference, taking place in Costa Mesa, California, on August 3–6, 2025.

In 2024, SWCS held its conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; this year, we're bringing the event to the West Coast—reinforcing our commitment to nationwide conservation efforts with the theme, “Conservation Coast to Coast.” This theme keeps critical conservation priorities at the forefront, spanning regions and perspectives from coast to coast.

The event will gather a diverse, multigenerational community of researchers, practitioners, industry leaders, farmers, and students from around the world to Costa Mesa, a Southern California community held between the beauty of the Pacific Ocean and the majesty of the Santa Anna Mountains.

What better place to showcase the varied work of interdisciplinary conservation professionals than California? As a leading producer of over 400 commodities, the state nourishes the nation with crops ranging from rice in the Sacramento Valley to dairy in the Central Valley and North Coast, and wine grapes in six designated regions including Napa and Sonoma on the North Coast. This agricultural abundance is matched by California's natural ecosystems, featuring towering redwoods, coastal chaparral, desert landscapes, oak woodlands, and fertile valleys, all supporting unique habitats and countless species of plants and wildlife. Alongside this natural wealth, California is home to vibrant cultures and communities, with people from all backgrounds contributing to its rich social fabric. This convergence of diverse ecosystems, crops, and cultures makes California the perfect setting to highlight the innovative and collaborative work of conservation professionals from across the nation.

At the 2025 conference, we will share successes and embrace lessons learned to advance our natural resource goals with greater speed, efficiency, and effectiveness. Together, we will explore the capacity, innovation, and partnerships needed to restore and sustain our land, water, and other vital natural resources.

The agenda will showcase the latest technologies, practices, and ideas, fostering dialogue around their adoption and application.

Attendees will:

- Engage in workshops, field tours, exhibits, and demonstrations offering cutting-edge insights into soil health, water quality, and resource management
- Connect with scientists and practitioners presenting their work from field, farm, and watershed scales across public and private sectors
- Explore the application of social theories and effective outreach and education efforts to scale localized successes
- Learn how policy and economic developments foster conservation adoption and how conservation science can be applied to policy

As the discussions unfold, attendees can enjoy the famously mild weather, take in picturesque ocean sunsets, and immerse themselves in the area's diverse traditions and green spaces.

Schedule At-A-Glance

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

New Member and First Timer Orientation, Half-Day Workshops, Student and Early Career Professional Networking, and Local Forum and Flavor Reception

MONDAY, AUGUST 4

Conference Kickoff, Pritchard Keynote Lecture, Concurrent Sessions, SWCS Members Luncheon, and Exhibitor and Poster Reception

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5

Plenary Sessions, Concurrent Sessions, and Awards Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6

Concurrent Sessions and Conservation Tours

Program Topics and Areas of Interest

The theme for this year's conference is **Conservation Coast to Coast**. In addition to the General Conference Theme tracks, the program committee has also selected two specialty training tracks.

- Cultivating Conservation Technical Assistance, Community, and Networks

- On the Frontier of Conservation in the West

The following nine topic areas will be covered within the General Conference Theme training track:

- Adaptive Management of Conservation Efforts
- Conservation Economics and Policy
- Conservation Models, Tools, and Technologies
- Conservation in Organic, Specialty, Small-Scale, or Urban Agriculture
- Outreach, Education, and Community Engagement
- Resilient Agriculture
- Social Sciences Informing Conservation
- Soil Health Resources, Indicators, Assessment, and Management
- Water Resource Assessment and Management

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Technical and Leadership Workshops

The professional development workshops held in conjunction with the SWCS International Annual Conference will be eligible for continuing education credits from various certifying organizations.

Workshop #1: Conservation Careers in Federal Government Coast to Coast, and How to Apply!

Sunday, August 3

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Tickets: \$75 early/\$100 regular (after June 16)/\$125 onsite (after July 16)

Instructor: Bernadette Mills, Master of Natural Resources (MNR), Regenerative Conservationist

This workshop will spend the first hour covering some of the exciting Federal Conservation careers, what education and background they require, plus the usual job duties associated with them depending on the part of the country they are located in. The second hour will be a walkthrough of the USAJOBS application website and how to navigate the federal hiring process. Participants are recommended to bring their laptop in order to walk through creating an account and learning how to set up their resumé.

Workshop #2: Essential Indicators to Measure Soil Health

Sunday, August 3

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Tickets: \$75 early/\$100 regular (after June 16)/\$125 onsite (after July 16)

Instructors: Elizabeth Rieke and Emily Ball, Soil Health Institute

This workshop is aimed at translating the Soil Health Institute's essential suite of soil health indicators. The Institute is using the suite of indicators to benchmark soil health on commercial farms and has done so for approximately 12 million acres. At this workshop, the Soil Health Institute will share learnings on practical and scientific tools and strategies for measuring and assessing soil health. This workshop will cover how the essential suite of soil health indicators was selected by the Soil Health Institute, the importance of standardizing sample collections, lab measurements, and data QA/QC, and a demonstration of a free, scalable soil health indicator. One of the Institute's leading soil health educators will end the workshop with a discussion on their experience translating soil health indicators to practitioners and farmers.

Workshop #3: Managing Opportunities with Stakeholders

Sunday, August 3

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Tickets: \$75 early/\$100 regular (after June 16)/\$125 onsite (after July 16)

Instructors: Jeanne Jasper, Jessie Lamont, and Brandi Murphy, Women in NRCS (WiN)

This workshop is for anyone wanting to develop tools and strategies for working on a team where everyone leads. Multifaceted workgroups rely on informed organization to keep everyone on task. In order to do this the team needs to understand each stakeholder's interpretations of the work, and distinguish between technical and adaptive work, before deciding who will do the work. It requires self-evaluation and management, energizing others by understanding their processes and acknowledging their opportunity costs and learning to intervene skillfully when there are changes in team momentum. Beneficial to those who prefer to lead by example and share the limelight while operating on a taskforce or partnership team.

Outdoor Classroom—Educational Training Tours

All tours will take place on Wednesday, August 6. Departure and return times are subject to change. Final details will be provided at www.swcs.org/25AC. The tours will give exposure to interesting and informative conservation work happening in the area. Be sure to register early to secure a seat. SWCS reserves the right to cancel a tour that does not have the minimum number of attendees and to change the maximum number of attendees.

Tour #1: Innovative Agriculture for Conservation Tour

Wednesday, August 6

12:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Tickets: \$75 early/\$100 regular (after June 16)/\$125 onsite (after July 16)

Supported by Women in NRCS (WiN), this tour showcases two progressive agricultural operations that exemplify innovation in sustainable farming and ecological restoration. These forward-thinking operations are at the forefront of regenerative agriculture and conservation, demonstrating how modern agricultural techniques can support both food production and environmental stewardship.

Our first stop is The Ecology Center, a 28-acre Regenerative Organic Certified™ farm that serves as a living model of sustainable agriculture. This farm integrates holistic land management practices, from soil health regeneration to water conservation, while producing nutrient-dense crops. The Ecology Center also fosters the next generation of agricultural innovators through its Apprenticeship Program, where hands-on training in regenerative techniques equips future farmers with the tools to implement sustainable practices on a larger scale.

Our tour continues at the Irvine Ranch Conservancy Native Seed Farm, a vital hub for ecological restoration. This innovative farm was established to provide a reliable supply of high-quality native plant materials for habitat restoration across Southern California. By utilizing precision seed propagation and adaptive land management strategies, the Conservancy is improving the resilience of natural landscapes. Tour participants will gain insight into innovative restoration agriculture, including seed collection techniques, climate-adaptive planting strategies, and large-scale habitat restoration initiatives.

Join the “Innovative Agriculture for Conservation” tour to see firsthand how these pioneering operations are shaping the future of sustainable land management and conservation. Experience the synergy between agriculture and ecological restoration, and leave inspired by the transformative power of innovative farming.

Tour #2: Urban Conservation and Sustainability Walking Tour

Wednesday, August 6

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Tickets: \$50 early/\$75 regular (after June 16) /\$100 onsite (after July 16)

Attendees will be immersed in a landscape of art created from recycled materials as we explore “The Lab,” which stands for “Little American Business.” The Lab was recycled in 1993 from a night-vision goggle factory into an indoor-outdoor anti-mall composed of local artisans providing a wide array of cafes, restaurants, and retail that embraced a vibrant community of lovers in art, music, fashion, and hip cuisine. While we may not be in close walking distance from the beautiful natural areas of Orange County, we will bring the world of Urban Conservation to the SoBeCa Arts District in Costa Mesa. Join us as we explore topics related to the unique conservation landscape of urban California as well as other urban areas around the country, and the boots-on-the-ground efforts from every corner of our industry working to protect these limited natural areas. This is an active walking tour, so bring comfortable footwear.

Symposia Training Sessions

Symposia training sessions provide more comprehensive and in-depth coverage of a specific topic. They are scheduled as 90-minute sessions and will take place on Monday, August 4; Tuesday, August 5; and Wednesday, August 6. Symposia are organized by an individual(s) and typically incorporate multiple presenters, panel discussions, or other formats as determined by the organizer. The tracks below are subject to change.

Conservation Economics and Policy

- Economic Analysis of Drainage Water Recycling Systems: Costs, Benefits, and Next Steps
- Updates from Diverse Corn Belt: Reimagining Agricultural Diversity

Conservation Models, Tools, and Technologies

- Agroecosystem Modeling for Conservation and Atmosphere Assessment
- CEAP-Grazing Land: Conservation Insights from Eastern Pastures to Western Range
- Tillage, Water, and Wind Erosion: Weather Pattern Variability and Conservation Management
- Using Great Lakes to Gulf to Inform Conservation in the Mississippi River Watershed

Cultivating Conservation Technical Assistance, Community, and Networks

- Conservation Policy Roundup
- Innovating Conservation Technical Assistance: Policy Insights, Public-Private Partnerships, and Practitioner Priorities
- Kegs 4 Conservation
- Leaning into Innovation and Disruption to Shape the Future of Conservation
- NRCS Technical Service Provider (TSP) Program Overview
- Senior Mentors: Connect and Grow
- What's the Dirt about Biochar

On the Frontier of Conservation in the West

- Using Cover Crops to Add Biological Diversity to California Agriculture and Landscapes

Outreach, Education, and Community Engagement

- Emerging Leaders Alumni Feature
- Emerging Leaders Lighting Talks: Insights and Impact
- Lessons Learned from Four Years of Cover Crop Adoption and Measured Soil Health, Economic, and Social Indicators from 15 CIG On-Farm Demo Trials in California, Kentucky, New York, Massachusetts, and Connecticut
- Leveraging Comprehensive Outreach Strategies to Bolster Impact of Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships

Resilient Agriculture

- The Land Broken by the Plow: A Look at Conservation on the Plains

Water Resource Assessment and Management

- NRCS Watershed Program and Watershed Planning: Solving Water Resource Issues Coast to Coast
- Tackling the Nonpoint Source Water Quality Issue: Using EPA Funding to Kickstart Your Watershed Finance Partnership

Oral Presentation Training Sessions

Oral presentations are opportunities to share the results of conservation research projects and/or lessons learned through professional experience with conservation projects, systems, programs, and technologies. Each presenter will be given 20 minutes: 15 minutes to make the presentation and 5 minutes for questions. Oral presentations are scheduled on Monday, August 4; Tuesday, August 5; and Wednesday, August 6. The tracks below are subject to change.

Adaptive Management of Conservation Efforts

- Assessment of Nitrogen Mineralization Dynamics Under Tillage and Drainage Practices in Sugarbeet Fields, Northwest Minnesota
- Building Stormwater Resilience Through Flood Mitigation and Community Engagement
- Multivariate Evaluation of Soil-Water-Plant Health in Multifunctional Buffer-Strip Systems
- Quantifying the Plant Production and Soil Health Benefits of Aspirational Seeding and Fertilization Inputs in Forage Crops

Conservation Economics and Policy

- Economic and Ecological Perspective on Conservation Adoption by Livestock and Coffee Producers in Puerto Rico
- Evaluating Economics of Soil Health Through Regional, On-Farm Experiences
- Innovative Financing: The Conservation Acceleration Fund
- Key Takeaways from a Soil Health Risk Model for Policymakers, Lenders, and Insurers

Conservation in Organic, Specialty, Small-Scale, or Urban Agriculture

- Leveraging Diverse Plant Combinations to Enhance Nutrient Regeneration in Barren Urban Soils: A Small-Scale Gardening Approach
- Mechanical Development for Organic No-Till Soybean Production in Japan
- Precision Management Influence Productivity in Dryland Cropping System

- Effect of Regenerative Management Practices on Soil Chemical Properties, Enzyme Activity, and Microbial Respiration in Southern California Vineyard Soils

Conservation Models, Tools, and Technologies

- Building a Conservation Concierge
- Dairy Conservation Navigator: A Decision Support Tool for Conservation Planning
- Determining the Effect of Conservation Practices on Ephemeral Gully Erosion with USDA's AnnAGNPS Watershed Pollution Model
- Development of a New NRCS Conservation Practice Phosphorus Removal System and Associated Training and Design Aid
- Estimating Nitrogen Losses and Nitrogen Use Efficiency for Spring Wheat, Canola, and Grain Corn from 1981 to 2021 in Canadian Farmland
- Estimation of Soil Erosion in Arid Areas Using ¹³⁷Cs Technique: Case Study in Syria
- Evaluation of SCS-Curve Number Method to Enhance Runoff Estimation Across Tillage Practices for Conservation Planning
- Improved V-Notch Weir Equations for Various Sizes of Water Level Control Structures
- Irrigation Efficiency Tools to Enhance Water Conservation in Orchards
- Navigating Grazing Practices: Economic, Forage, Soil, and Seasonal Considerations
- Nutrient Tracking Tool (NTT): A Farm Decision-Making Tool for Water Quality/Quantity, Soil Carbon Sequestration, and Crop Production Assessment

- Phytoremediation as a Conservation Approach to Improve Soil Health of Contaminated Agricultural Lands and Produce Biofuel Feedstock
- Predicting the Economic Outcomes of Soil Health Practices with a User-Friendly Predictive Soil Health Economic Calculator
- Searching among the STARS: Insights on Producer Participation and Conservation Trends from 2 Years of STAR Tool Data
- Spacing Theorems and Procedure for Manual Level Bench Terraces
- The Juniper Evaluation Tool: An Interactive Dashboard for Managing Juniper Vulnerability Within the Chickasaw Nation Treaty Territory
- Tools and Resources from the Conservation Effects Assessment Project (CEAP) Cropland Assessment
- Using Non-Disturbance All-Terrain Solar Trackers to Preserve Topsoil, Eliminate Grading, and Expand Agrivoltaic Opportunities for Farmers
- Using Technology to Increase Efficiency and Accuracy in Ag Carbon Programs

Cultivating Conservation Technical Assistance, Community, and Networks

- Advancing Soil Health Management Through Farmer-to-Farmer Outreach
- Batch and Builds: Cultivating Community for More Efficient Conservation Adoption
- Building a Network of Farmers and Technical Specialists Across the Cotton Belt
- Building a Resilient Indiana
- Cultivating Change: Advancing Conservation Outreach Through Behavioral Insights
- Engaging Farmers: Lessons from NRCS Outreach Agreements
- Farmers Leading the Way: Enhancing Soil Health and Water Quality Through Peer Networks
- How a Virtual Meet-Up Series Is Building Community for Conservation Professionals

- Increasing Agriculture Conservation Practices Through Ag Retail Partnerships
- NRCS Technical Assistance in the Fertilize Right Program—Colombia, Pakistan, and Vietnam
- What’s the Name of That Stream?—Iowa’s Approach to Stream Signage
- Working Effectively With Livestock Producers

On the Frontier of Conservation in the West

- Adaptation of Warm Season Cover Crops to the Arid Southwestern US
- Beneficial Uses of Treated Produced Water for Agriculture
- Evaluating Bioretention: Green Stormwater Infrastructure Solutions in California
- Field-Level Assessment of Conservation Practices for Reducing Nitrate Leaching Beneath the Root Zone
- From “Wastewater Management” to “Watershed Stewardship”: Making the Case for Conservation within Utility Operations
- Legacy Effects of Nitrogen and Cover Crop Management in a Northeast Kansas Cropping System
- Recognizing Potential Cultural Resources in Conservation Worksites and Mitigating Potential Damage
- Restoring Watersheds in Piñon/Juniper-Dominated Community Landscapes

Outreach, Education, and Community Engagement

- Back to Basics: Wind Erosion Causes and Cures
- Can Pheasants and Agriculture Coexist in the Midwest?
- Cultivating Community P(ART)nerships for Conservation Success
- East River Recreational Trail: A Collaborative Approach to Ecological Restoration + Community Impact

- Making Waves in Southern Minnesota Lake Stewardship
- Needs-Based Conservation Virtual Education
- Nutrient Management Planning and Outreach Strategies with Underserved Producers
- Outdoor Recreation as a Conservation Tool: Lessons Learned from a Canoe Marathon
- Regenerative Agricultural Curriculum for the High School Classroom: How Do We Reach the Next Generation of Conservationists and Regenerative Agriculturalists?
- The Importance of Farmer Outreach in NWQI Watershed Projects
- Virtual Farmer-to-Farmer Engagement: Is It Working?

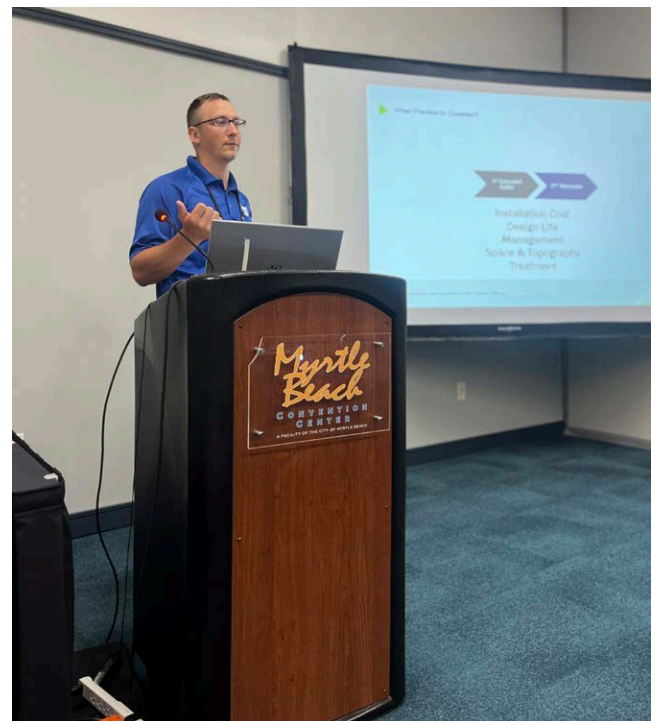
Resilient Agriculture

- Climate-Smart Agriculture in Action: A Progress Report from South Carolina
- Compost Is the Cure—Applying the Solution of Organic Matter
- Cover Crop Effect on Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Global Warming Potential in Furrow-Irrigated Corn in Mississippi
- Covering Ground: Enhancing Soil Health Through Interseeding in Late-Season Vegetables
- Crop Management Matters—Feedstock Production Practices Drive Biofuel Sustainability
- Deep Soil Carbon Storage Across a Range of Pedogenic, Climatic, and Management Variations in Southeastern US Agricultural Lands
- Effect of Regenerative Management Practices on Soil Chemical Properties, Enzyme Activity, and Microbial Respiration in Southern California Vineyard Soils
- Environmental Co-Benefits: How Are the USDA Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities (PCSC) Projects Pursuing Them?
- Integrating Climate-Smart Agriculture and Water Resource Management: A Case Study

- of Communities in the Rwizi Catchment in Southwestern Uganda
- Quantifying Root Water Uptake Patterns in Wheat Genotypes Using Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT)
- What Is the (Real) Rate of Soil Health Practice Adoption? Making Sense of Three Data Sources

Social Sciences Informing Conservation

- California Conservation in the 1930s
- Digging into Cover Crop Incentives: Ag and Conservation Professionals' Program Perceptions
- Exploring On-Farm Green Ammonia Production: Farmers' Views on an Innovative Fertilizer Technology
- Exploring the ESG Reporting: A Bibliometric Literature Review and Future Research Agenda
- Influences on the Adoption of Soil Health Practices in Vermont
- Land Advisor Identity and Perceptions in Conservation Practice Advising on Croplands and Grasslands in the Midwest, USA



- Midwestern Farmers’ Perspectives on Climate Change: A Meta-Analysis Review to Inform Soil and Water Conservation Outreach
- One Size Does Not Fit All: Exploring Farmers’ Mindsets on Cover Crops to Inform Outreach
- Promoting Persistent Conservation Behavior Through Scope Expansion
- Social Network Analysis of a Demonstration Farm Program Reveals Conservation Information Sharing Pathways
- The Effects of Collective Trauma on Farmer Conservation Behavior
- The Ontario Soil Network—How Behavioral Change Can Drive Adoption
- Tracking Progress Toward Persistence in the Pilot Watershed Program
- Voices from the Field: Insights from the 2024 Conservation Practitioner Poll
- Impact of Simulated Grazing in Cover Cropping Systems on Soil Properties
- Improving Soil Health with Agroforestry
- Investigating Soil Health and Greenhouse Gas Emission in Three Dairy Forage Production Systems in Southwestern Wisconsin
- Long-Term Soil pH Changes in Southwestern North Dakota
- Quantifying Changes in Soil Redoximorphic Feature Expression
- Soil Biodiversity in California Agriculture: Framework and Indicators for Soil Health Assessment
- Soil C Recovery Time After Long-Term Crop Residue Removal
- Soil Health Needs Assessment in a Global Agricultural Technology Company: Insights from a Mixed-Methods Approach
- Summarizing Cropping System Diversity Across US Regions

Soil Health Resources, Indicators, Assessment, and Management

- A Novel Approach to Factor Soil Health Into the Farmland Appraisal Process
- A Peer Cohort Approach to Soil Health Management Planning in New England
- Aggregate Stability by Image Analysis: A Free, Locally Relevant, and Scalable Tool
- Building Soil Health in Mid-South US Row Crop Production Systems With Conservation Practices
- Carbon Mineralization, Nitrogen Cycling, and pH Change under Varying Nitrogen Fertilizers in Semi-Arid Soil Series
- Impact of Biochar and Nano-Biochar Amendments on Pigment Concentrations and Oxidative Stress in Lettuce Grown on Heavy Metal-Contaminated Soils
- Impact of Dairy Manure Type, Rate, and Application Method on Soil Loss and Nitrogen and Phosphorus Mobilization in Runoff and Infiltrate

Water Resource Assessment and Management

- Advancing Nutrient Reductions in the Mississippi River Basin
- Agricultural Conservation Practices and Regenerative Agriculture in the Pacific Northwest: Impact on Hydrology and Water Quality
- Assessment of Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program Forested Riparian Buffers in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed
- Bacteria vs. Fungi: Who Really Drives Nitrate Removal in Woodchip Bioreactors?
- Conservation Counts: 20 Years of Building Urban and Rural Partnerships for Targeted Watershed Improvement
- Edge-of-Field Sulfate Runoff Loss Dynamics from Designated Arkansas Discovery Farms
- Evaluating Regulatory and Management Strategies for Stormwater Discharges from

- Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional (CII) Facilities
- Furrow-Irrigated Long-Term No-Till and Conventional-Till Soil Evaluation in the Mid-South USA
- Grafting Education and Action: Jumpstarting Edge-of-Field Practice Adoption in the Eastern Corn Belt
- Harnessing the Economic and Ecological Value of Water Hyacinth for Sustainable Waterway Management
- Investigating Seasonal Nitrate and Orthophosphate Losses in Surface vs. Subsurface Drainage in Northwest Minnesota
- Involving Hispanic Farmworkers in Irrigation Distribution Uniformity Assessments: The Benefits of Bilingual Technical Assistance
- Onion Response to Irrigation Stress in Oregon
- Optimizing Water Efficiency: A Performance Analysis of Wheel Line Sprinkler Irrigation in Small and Medium Farm
- Performance Evaluation of a Dual-Chamber Pumped Woodchip Bioreactor: *E. Coli* Removal, Denitrification, and Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Stem Water Potential Model Integrating Soil, Weather, Plant, and Remote Sensing Data
- Two-Stage Ditch Designs—Integrating Water Quality, Ecological Function, and Flood Resiliency
- Unveiling the Secrets of Saturated Buffers



Poster Presentations

Poster presentations report the results of research or lessons learned on a specific theme-related topic. Posters will be on display throughout the conference in the Exhibit Hall, and presenters will be available during exhibit hours. Poster tracks are subject to change.

Adaptive Management of Conservation Efforts

- Building Better Wetlands: Nitrogen Reduction and Phosphorus Sequestration of Constructed Wetlands Receiving Tile Drained Waters from Agricultural Systems in the Midwestern U.S.

CEAP Showcase

- Assessing Legacy Phosphorus in the Western Lake Erie Basin: Key Findings from Phase 1 (2020–2024)
- Assessing the Impacts of Conservation Ditch Practices on Agroecosystem Metabolism: A Comparison of Two-Stage and Trapezoidal Drainage Ditches
- Benefits of Conservation Management Practices on Claypan Soils
- Characterizing, Quantifying, and Modeling the Sources and Transport of Legacy Phosphorus
- Conservation Effects Assessment Project in Northeast Arkansas
- Conservation Management Practice Resiliency to Different Recurrence Interval Storm Events
- Developing Geospatial Tools to Identify Landscape Opportunities for Phosphorus Traps; Agricultural Conservation Planning Framework (ACPF) Enhancement Project
- Drain Tunnel Impacts on the Water Balance and Water Quality in the Upper Snake Rock Watershed
- Evaluating Adoption of Intensified Forage Systems Effects on Water, Soil, and Nutrient Retention Under Variable Precipitation Cycles of the Southern Plains
- Evaluating Conservation Practice Effects at the Watershed- and Field-Scales in the Lake Champlain Basin of Vermont
- Evaluating the Environmental Benefits of Manure Injection in Perennial Hay Crops
- Evaluating the Performance of Ensemble Runoff Forecasts in the Mahantango Creek Watershed
- Investigating Groundwater-Surface Water Interactions and Quality Impacts of Crop Rotation between Flooded Rice and Sugarcane Using the SWAT+ Modeling Framework
- Monitoring Surface-Subsurface Interactions and Groundwater Conditions Impacted by Agricultural Practices in the CEAP Goodwin Creek Experimental Watershed, Mississippi
- Nutrient Losses and Soil Health Status of Fields under Long-Term Soil Health Management in Ohio
- Temporal Dynamics of Nitrate Concentration and Leaching Losses Under Artificially Drained Mollisol
- Topographic and Hydrologic Controls on Legacy Phosphorus in the CEAP Choptank River Watershed
- Transitioning Through Uncertainty in the Little River Experimental Watershed—Implications for Data and Research
- Use of Urban and Cropland Tracers to Discern Nutrient Watershed Sources and Fate
- Using Redox Potential as Proxy for Organic Soil Conservation Associated to Flooded Rice Cultivation within the Everglades Agricultural Area of South Florida
- Water Quality Measurements Across Various Flow Paths in a Restored CEAP Wetland
- Weir Flow Equation Coefficients Calculator—An Online Tool for V-Notch Weirs in Drainage Control Structures

CIG Showcase

- Accelerating Silvopasture Adoption Through ASSETS
- Biocarbon-Enhanced Dairy Manure Management Demonstration for Enhanced Water Quality
- Comprehensive Demonstration of Using Agricultural Tailwater Irrigation for Southern Crop Production
- Covering Ground: Investigation of Cover Crops for Soil Health in the Great Lakes Region
- Empowering Farmers Through Soil Health Management Systems
- Enhancing Soil Health Through Cover Crops in South Florida
- Establishment and Environmental Impact Perceptions of Silvopasture Systems by Producers in the Southeastern United States
- Field Indicators of Hydric Soil in Interdunal Wetlands of the Great Bend Sand Plains
- High Clearance Robotic Irrigation for In-Season Nutrient Management
- Increasing Drought Resiliency in Maui County Through the Use of Cover Crops
- Innovative Conservation Approaches and Technologies for Alternative Crops
- On-Farm Demonstration of Climate-Smart Agricultural Solutions for Sugarcane and Rice Production
- On-Farm Evaluation of Site-Specific Nitrogen Management Technologies in the US: Lessons Learned
- On-Farm Soil Health Trials in Utah
- Scaling the Kentucky Climate-Smart Cereal Rye Cover Crop Initiative
- The Future of Farming: Increasing Adoption of Conservation Practices Among Alabama Row Crop Farmers

Conservation in Organic, Specialty, Small-Scale, or Urban Agriculture

- Effect of No-Tillage System on Crop Production, Soil Carbon Storage and Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Soybean–Wheat Rotation
- Sustainable Cultivation Management of Head Cabbage Utilizing Unused Local Resources—Effects of Green Manure and Compost Application on Soil Properties and Yield

Conservation Models, Tools, and Technologies

- Assessing Soil and Water Dynamics in Utility-Scale Solar Farms: A Field-Based Approach
- Assessing the Distribution and Soil Suitability of Loblolly Pines in North Carolina
- Does Gypsum Aid in Phytoremediation of Nutrients and Pesticides: A Mesocosm Study
- Spatially Precise Inputs via Precision Agriculture Tools Improves Environmental Quality
- Strategic Integration of Energycane in South Florida for Bioenergy Feedstock Production and Water Quality Benefits

On the Frontier of Conservation in the West

- Comparative Analysis of Soil Moisture and Infiltration in Regenerative vs. Conventional Converted Hillside Almond Production
- Soil Texture and Seasonal Changes in Soil Structure Control Deep Percolation and Nitrate Leaching Risk in an Irrigated Cropping System

Outreach, Education, and Community Engagement

- Ecosystem Services, Entrepreneurship and Technical Assistance of Perennial Bioenergy Crops
- Equipping Tomorrow's Conservation Workforce: Our Year in the SWCS Emerging Leaders Program
- Leveraging On-Farm Data for Enhanced Cover Crop Adoption in Minnesota: Insights from a Citizen Science Cover Crop Tool

- Urban Reforestation Through Reforest the Bluegrass
- World Soil Day Contest: Empowering Communities Through Extension-Driven Creative Engagement in Soil Conservation

Resilient Agriculture

- Carbon Dynamic in Regenerative Cotton Systems of the Semi-Arid Texas Plains
- Evaluation of the Effect of Dual Urease and Nitrification Inhibitors on Mitigating Nitrous Oxide Emissions and Ammonia Volatilization in Southeast Corn Systems
- Exploring the Environmental Impacts of Transitioning to Perennial Pasture Systems
- Soil Water Conservation in Regenerative Semi-Arid Cotton Agroecosystems
- Utilizing Cover Crops via USDA Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities

Social Sciences Informing Conservation

- Community Satisfaction as a Measure of Conservation Efficacy and Social Sustainability
- Examining Group-Level Variations in the Adoption of Conservation Agriculture: The Role of Macrostructures, Microstructures, and Individual Attributes

Soil Health Resources, Indicators, Assessment, and Management

- Aligning Farmers' Perceptions of Soil Productivity with Soil Health Test Results in Bahiagrass Pastures of Florida
- Do Soil Enzymes Respond to Cover Crop and Phosphorus Fertilizer Rate
- Effects of Cropland Management on Soil Carbon in the Flint Hills
- From Past to Present: Evaluating the Impact of Management Practices on Soil Carbon and Nitrogen Storage Over 3 Decades

- Nutrient Management: Know What's Below Your Soil Surface
- The Effects of Soil Health Management Practices on Soil Organic Carbon Persistence and Accrual in Vineyards
- Understanding the Impact of Conservation Agricultural Practices on the Eroded Soils of the Palouse Region
- Using Quantitative Color Sensor Measurements to Predict Soil Carbon in Forested Wetlands in the Region of Northern Virginia, USA
- Variability and Management Sensitivity of Soil Health Indicators Across Diverse Soils, Climates, and Agricultural Systems

Water Resource Assessment and Management

- Microbial Communities as a Pathway to Improved Woodchip and Corn cob Bioreactor Design and Performance
- Using Limited Rainfed Yield Data for Management Zone Delineation and Optimizing Soybean Irrigation Strategies in Tennessee



Events, Meetings, and Luncheon

Sunday, August 3

Bridging Conservation and Hazard Mitigation Planning: A Workshop for Natural Resource Professionals (Partner Event)

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

The Environmental Law Institute invites natural resource professionals and community leaders to explore how conservation practices can provide flood mitigation co-benefits and discuss avenues for collaboration between natural resource professionals and hazard mitigation planners. This full-day interactive workshop will provide practical insights on integrating nature-based solutions into local hazard mitigation planning processes.

Through expert panel discussions and small-group sessions, participants will gain an understanding of the local hazard mitigation planning process, real-world examples of special districts (i.e., conservation districts and flood control districts) that work with hazard mitigation planners on nature-based mitigation projects, and resources on conservation solutions that overlap with hazard mitigation planning priorities.

You do not need to have a flood mitigation focus to attend—if your work addresses natural hazard risk or you would like to explore how your conservation efforts could provide risk reduction co-benefits, we welcome your participation.

Whether you are new to hazard mitigation planning or are already engaged in your local hazard mitigation planning processes, this workshop is designed for you. Space is limited, so RSVP today using the following Google Form: <https://forms.gle/M7Sv46ELYHYHemM29>

More details coming soon. Please contact Jesse Ferraioli at ferraioli@eli.org with any questions.



SWCS Silent Auction

The California-Nevada Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) is excited to host the 2025 SWCS Silent Auction! This auction will run live and in person at the 80th SWCS International Conference in Costa Mesa, California, from August 3-4, 2025. Items in the auction will include handmade crafts, local treasures, SWCS gear, and more!

Proceeds from the silent auction will help support the California-Nevada Chapter events and projects including the scholarship program, chapter professional development opportunities, educational publications, and effective partnerships that support and inform conservation professionals and their work.

Your participation in the silent auction will be much appreciated as we plan for this exciting International Conference, execute our mission, and fundraise our future!

Contact Information:

The California-Nevada Chapter c/o Rob Roy
 zzssee59@outlook.com
 559-283-5941

Shipping Address for Donations: 280 N. Osmun Avenue, Clovis, CA 93612

New Member and First Timer Orientation

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

New members and conference first timers will have the opportunity to network with one another and discuss the conference and membership with SWCS leadership. The session will highlight professional development opportunities throughout the conference, provide tips for engaging in professional networking, outline the benefits of an SWCS membership, and more. Attendees are encouraged to use this time to ask questions about the conference and the Society. Attendance is also encouraged for students and early career professionals.

Student and Early Career Professional Networking

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

This is a networking opportunity for students and professionals early in their careers to meet and connect with professionals in the field. There will be an opportunity to learn about the available internships, jobs, and graduate school opportunities. Attendance is encouraged for professionals wishing to connect with students. We hope you are able to join us! The early career mixer is graciously sponsored by ISG.



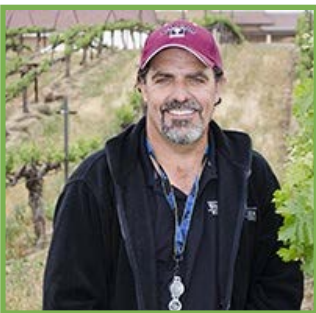
Local Forum and Flavor Reception

5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Tickets: \$50 early/\$75 regular (after June 16)/\$100 onsite (after July 16)

The Local Forum and Flavor Reception will kickoff with a warm California welcome by SWCS Southwest Regional Director Steve Kadas, setting the stage for an evening of conversation, connection, and local flavor. This year, we're diving into one of California's most iconic agricultural industries—wine.

Presenter: Greg Pennyroyal, Vineyard Manager, Wilson Creek Winery



Greg Pennyroyal

As the vineyard manager at Wilson Creek Winery and an educator, Greg Pennyroyal has spearheaded a shift toward regenerative viticulture, with cover crops playing a central role in this strategy. The winery plants diverse, multispecies cover crops annually to enhance soil health, prevent erosion, increase biodiversity, and support the vineyard ecosystem. The regenerative practices at Wilson Creek have led to measurable improvements. By eliminating herbicides, reducing tillage, and incorporating cover crops, the vineyard has increased soil carbon levels and created a healthier soil microbiome. This has resulted in a 40% reduction in water use alongside a 28% increase in grape yield, achieving a net water efficiency of 53% per gallon-to-ton of grapes produced. Grapes grown with these methods have

consistently outperformed conventionally grown vines, showing greater resilience to stressors like heat and drought, with minimal crop loss compared to up to 30% losses in non-regenerative blocks. From soil health to water management, winemaking is more than an art—it's a science influenced by the land and community.

Following the presentation, enjoy an evening of networking and outdoor activities, along with a selection of appetizers and beverages inspired by California's rich agricultural bounty. Raise a glass to conservation, collaboration, and the future of sustainable agriculture in the Golden State.

A ticket for this event is included with full conference registration. Additional tickets may be purchased online in advance for guests or at the registration table if available.

Monday, August 4

Conference Kickoff and Pritchard Keynote Lecture

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

The Conference Kickoff will be opened by SWCS CEO Clare Lindahl, followed by the Pritchard Keynote Lecture, “Taking Conservation to the Big Screen.”

Presenter: Peter Byck, Filmmaker and Professor, Arizona State University



Peter Byck

If a picture is worth a thousand words, a video is worth a million. This year’s keynote speaker, Peter Byck, is bringing conservation storytelling to the big screen. A filmmaker and professor at Arizona State University, Byck is the creator of *Roots So Deep (You Can See the Devil Down There)*, a groundbreaking docuseries featured on CNN and other major media outlets, showcasing the power of regenerative agriculture.

Not only is Byck elevating the story of conservation through film, but he is also growing the next generation of storytellers. As a professor, he mentors young filmmakers, teaching them how to capture and share the transformative impact of regenerative farming.

This is especially relevant this year as we are right outside of Los Angeles, where storytelling is king. Join us to explore how conservation can take center stage in mainstream media. Be inspired by Byck’s journey, his vision for the future of agriculture, and the role we all play in shaping the narrative of conservation.

Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) Showcase (Partner Event)

10:30 AM – 5:00 PM

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), in conjunction with SWCS, will host the CIG Showcase at the SWCS Annual Conference. Since 2004, CIG has supported the development of innovative natural resource conservation approaches and technologies on working lands.

This year’s showcase includes an overview of the CIG program and three themed panels. The first panel is an introduction and highlights the variability of the CIG program, the second panel explores innovations in irrigation management, and the last panel covers innovative conservation approaches for soil health.

This showcase runs from 10:30 AM to 5:00 PM on Monday, August 4. Following the showcase, CIG project posters will be included in the poster presentation session held in the poster display area of the exhibit hall from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Continuing Education Units/Credits (CEUs)

Attendees who wish to receive CEUs should designate the certification program for which they are seeking CEUs when registering for the conference. SWCS will arrange for Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) credits in the soil and water area. By attending the full conference and workshops, attendees have the ability to earn up to 30 CEUs. Additionally, SWCS will work with attendees to arrange credits for certified, licensed, or professional engineers (PE); agronomists (CPAg); soil scientists and classifiers (CPSS and CPSC); crop consultants (CPCC); foresters; range managers (CPRM); grassland professionals (CGP); professionals in erosion and sediment control (CPESC) and storm water quality (CPSWQ); and others as requested.

SWCS State of the Society Address and Board Panel Discussion (SWCS Members Luncheon)

12:00 PM – 1:15 PM

Tickets: \$75 early/\$100 regular (after June 16) /\$125 onsite (after July 16)

Join your professional society for a members luncheon and hear what SWCS and its network of leaders are doing across the nation. Over lunch, members and attendees will receive a briefing on the Society's latest efforts—shaping the future of conservation, the profession, and the movement.

Following lunch, the SWCS Board of Directors will take the stage for a panel discussion on how we can keep critical conservation priorities at the forefront. This is your chance to connect, share ideas, and be part of the conversation shaping SWCS's impact.

A ticket for this event is included for SWCS members with full conference registration or Monday-only registration. SWCS members will be distinguished with an SWCS member indicator on their name badge. Not a member yet? [Join today!](#) Additional tickets may be purchased online in advance for nonmembers or guests or at the registration table if available.

Association of Retired Conservation Service Employees (ARCSE) Annual Meeting (Partner Event)

1:30 PM – 4:00 PM (*This meeting will be held both in person and via Zoom*)

ARCSE Annual Business Meeting

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

The annual meeting is open to association members and others interested in learning more about organization. Leadership from NRCS, SWCS, ARCSE, and other organizations will speak on topics involving conservation policy and program direction, project updates and other priority ARCSE interests. The ARCSE awards ceremony will be held during the meeting to honor award recipients for distinguished service, community service and meritorious service.



Association Of Retired Conservation Service Employees

Conservation and Water Issues in Southern California

3:20 PM – 4:00 PM

Paul Benedict, NRCS Retired Assistant State Conservationist, Field Operations and Arnelis Crespo, NRCS Assistant State Conservationist, Field Operations (invited)

Exhibitor and Poster Reception

5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Tickets: \$50 early/\$75 regular (after June 16)/\$100 onsite (after July 16)

This reception offers a prime opportunity to visit with exhibitors showcasing their newest technology, programs, products, and services. Attendees will have the opportunity to view posters and hear from the authors. This is also a great time to connect with potential business associates and reconnect with colleagues. A selection of appetizers will be served, along with a cash bar.

A ticket for this event is included with full conference registration. Additional tickets may be purchased online in advance for guests or at the registration table if available.

Tuesday, August 5

SWCS Leadership Breakfast (Invitation Only)

7:00 AM – 8:30 AM

We'll kickoff with an inspiring message to set the tone, then SWCS leaders from across the nation will gather by region to share pressing local conservation issues and collaborate on solutions. This dialogue will shape SWCS's efforts to provide resources, build community, and ignite passion for conservation in the year ahead. By blending the wisdom of seasoned members with fresh ideas from emerging leaders, we'll strengthen our collective impact.

Opening Remarks and Plenary Session

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

The Tuesday plenary session will be opened by SWCS Board Chair Ellen Gilinsky, followed by this year's presentation, "Coast to Coast Chat: A Conversation on Conservation," and wrapped up with addresses from USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the USDA Agricultural Research Service (ARS).

Presenters: Karen Ross, Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture; Matthew Lohr, Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, Virginia Governor's Office



Karen Ross



Matthew Lohr

Coast to Coast Chat: A Conversation on Conservation

The Tuesday Opening Remarks and Plenary Session will bring together two distinguished agricultural leaders for a dynamic Coast to Coast Chat—a conversation that highlights the variety of conservation challenges and opportunities from one coast to the other.

From Virginia's rolling hills and historic farmlands to California's vast agricultural landscapes, this discussion will explore the policies, innovations, and partnerships shaping the future of conservation across the country.

With California as this year's host state, there's no better place to discuss the intersection of agriculture, conservation, and sustainability. California's diverse agricultural economy feeds the nation, producing over 400 commodities across its fertile valleys, coastal vineyards, and rugged mountain regions. Meanwhile, Virginia, home to rich farming history and emerging conservation initiatives, offers key insights into balancing productivity with environmental stewardship.

This engaging discussion will provide perspectives on how federal, state, and local efforts can work together to advance conservation solutions nationwide.

Join us as we bring conservation to the forefront, from Coast to Coast!

Agency Dialogue: Advancing Conservation through Research and Practice

Leadership from USDA's NRCS and ARS will share agency updates, key initiatives, and their vision for the future of conservation. This discussion will highlight how research and practice come together to address the most pressing conservation challenges, from soil health to water quality and farmer and community resilience.

CEAP Showcase (Partner Event)

10:30 AM – 5:00 PM

The Conservation Effects Assessment Project-Watershed Assessment Studies (CEAP-WAS) was initiated in 2003 to quantify the measurable environmental effects of conservation practices and develop the science base for managing agricultural landscapes for environmental quality. CEAP has grown to include 26 active projects including watershed studies assessing conservation practices and implementation and several special projects that include legacy nutrients, ephemeral gully erosion, as well as the development and assessment of conservation tools and models. Please join USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Agricultural Research Service (ARS) and university CEAP scientists to celebrate 20+ years of CEAP and learn and discuss the many CEAP-WAS assessments conducted across the United States. Contingent upon federal travel authorization, this year's meeting will take place as a CEAP showcase within the annual SWCS meeting on Tuesday, August 5, and feature three oral sessions and a poster session on Monday, August 4, and Tuesday, August 5, with presentations ranging in topics from CEAP watersheds in California, water quality and conservation in CEAP watersheds, and identifying sediment sources to focus conservation in CEAP watersheds. Please join us in celebrating 20+ years of CEAP!

Awards Luncheon

12:00 PM – 1:15 PM

Tickets: \$75 early/\$100 regular (after June 16) /\$125 onsite (after July 16)

SWCS is pleased to honor award recipients who have exhibited exemplary service to the conservation community. Award recipients demonstrate excellence in supporting the Society's mission to advance soil, water, and related natural resources conservation to achieve sustainability. Individuals, organizations, and chapters nominated for these awards competed on a national and international level against others who have demonstrated leadership, creativity, and dedication in delivering assistance to landowners, communities, or local governments.

A ticket for this event is included with full conference registration and Tuesday-only registration. Additional tickets may be purchased online in advance for guests or at the registration table if available.



Registration and Accommodation Information

Registration

To complete registration online, please visit www.swcs.org/25AC. The early registration cutoff is **June 16**, and the online registration cutoff is **July 16, 2025**.

NOTE: The email you use to register is how you will access the event app. Be sure to keep your confirmation email once received and know exactly which email address you used to register.

The conference registration fee covers one attendee. If guests wish to attend educational sessions, a conference attendance option must be purchased. Please use the appropriate area on the registration form to purchase additional tickets for guests to attend the Local Forum and Flavor Reception, Exhibitor and Poster Reception, Awards Luncheon, or other special events. Register and pay online at www.swcs.org/25AC, OR return the completed form and payment to:

**Soil and Water Conservation Society
Attn: 2025 Annual Conference Registration
945 SW Ankeny Road
Ankeny, IA 50023**

Questions? Email events@swcs.org.

Payments for conference registrations, tours, workshops, or special event tickets must accompany registration and will be accepted in US funds only—credit card (Visa, MasterCard, or American Express) or check. If a cancellation is received on or prior to July 16, a full refund will be issued less a \$75 processing fee per conference registration and a \$25 processing fee per tour or workshop, and a \$10 processing fee per special event ticketed items. **Due to contract commitments made to service providers, no refunds will be made after July 16 for conference registrations, tours, workshops, or special event tickets.**

Special Needs

Please indicate on the registration form any physical or dietary special needs. SWCS is committed to meeting the needs of persons covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Workshops, Tours, and Special Event Tickets

Workshops, tours, and special events tickets will be handled on a reserved ticket basis only and do not need to accompany a conference registration. Tickets will be sold at the conference based on availability, but purchasing them as early as possible is best to guarantee participation. Workshops, tours, and special event functions may be canceled without sufficient participation. These events are subject to minimum and maximum capacity controls. SWCS reserves the right to cancel if minimum registrations are not reached or for other reasons beyond our control. Maximums may also be adjusted, so reserve your space early. If a tour is canceled or minimums are not met, attendees will have the option to exchange tickets for another tour or request a full refund. Refunds for canceled activities will be given after the conclusion of the annual conference.

Accommodations

Hotel

To view options for SWCS discounted hotel room blocks, please visit www.swcs.org/25AC.

Transportation

Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa is located approximately 9 minutes from the John Wayne Airport. Coordinate with the hotel about a complimentary airport shuttle, otherwise our recommended economical method of travel to and from the airport is to take a taxi, Uber, or Lyft.



Registration Form

Early Registration Cutoff: **June 16, 2025**
 Online Registration Cutoff: **July 16, 2025**
 Register online at www.swcs.org/25AC



REGISTRANT INFORMATION *Required

Name (please print)* _____ Organization* _____

Title _____ Industry* _____

Address* _____ City* _____ State/Province* _____ Postal Code* _____

Country* _____ Phone _____ Email* _____

Are you a current SWCS member? * Yes No Unknown

Are you a current or alumni SWCS Emerging Leader? Current Alumni

On average, how many producers do you speak to directly per year? * _____

Physical or dietary restrictions Yes No If yes, please indicate: _____

1. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Full Conference Registration Categories	Early Rate thru 6/16	Regular Rate thru 7/16	Onsite Rate after 7/16
SWCS Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$600	<input type="checkbox"/> \$650
Register and Join*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$615	<input type="checkbox"/> \$715	<input type="checkbox"/> \$765
Nonmember	<input type="checkbox"/> \$650	<input type="checkbox"/> \$750	<input type="checkbox"/> \$800
Senior (65+)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$550
Farmer	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$550
International	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$550
Full Time Student**	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350	<input type="checkbox"/> \$400

Expected Graduation Date: _____

One-Day Conference Registration Categories	Early Rate thru 6/16	Regular Rate thru 7/16	Onsite Rate after 7/16
One-Day SWCS Member†	<input type="checkbox"/> \$315	<input type="checkbox"/> \$365	<input type="checkbox"/> \$415
One-Day Nonmember†	<input type="checkbox"/> \$375	<input type="checkbox"/> \$425	<input type="checkbox"/> \$475
One-Day Senior (65+)†	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350
One-Day Farmer†	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350
One-Day International†	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350
One-Day Full Time Student†**	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Wednesday ONLY \$200 \$250 \$300

Student and Early Career Professional Networking

Please indicate your intent to participate in the Student and Early Career Professional Networking on Sunday, August 3, from 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM.

Indicate which best represents your participation:

- Early career professional/student
- Established professional, looking to network with group

* Not a member of SWCS? Join today! Include a SWCS Conservationist level membership (\$115) and save on registration. Rate includes a 12-month SWCS membership.

** Available to full time students who carry at least 12 semester hours.

† Please list day attending: _____

2. WORKSHOPS – SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

(Conference registration not required. Regular fees apply after June 16. Onsite fees apply after July 16.)

#1: Conservation Careers in Federal Government Coast to Coast, and How to Apply!
 \$75 early/\$100 regular/\$125 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

#2: Essential Indicators to Measure Soil Health
 \$75 early/\$100 regular/\$125 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

#3: Managing Opportunities with Stakeholders
 \$75 early/\$100 regular/\$125 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

3. EDUCATIONAL TRAINING TOURS – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6

(Conference registration not required. Regular fees apply after June 16. Onsite fees apply after July 16.)

#1: Innovative Agriculture for Conservation Tour
 \$75 early/\$100 regular/\$125 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

#2: Urban Conservation and Sustainability Walking Tour
 \$50 early/\$75 regular/\$100 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

4. SPECIAL EVENTS TICKETS

(Conference registration not required. Regular fees apply after June 16. Onsite fees apply after July 16.)

• **Guest Ticket(s) for Local Forum and Flavor Reception**
 \$50 early/\$75 regular/\$100 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

• **Nonmember or Guest Ticket(s) for SWCS Members Luncheon**
 \$75 early/\$100 regular/\$125 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

• **Guest Ticket(s) for Exhibitor and Poster Reception**
 \$50 early/\$75 regular/\$100 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

• **Guest Ticket(s) for Awards Luncheon**
 \$75 early/\$100 regular/\$125 onsite x ____ = \$ ____

5. PRINTED PROGRAM

(Conference program will be available on the event app. Additional fees apply for a hard copy.)

\$20 early/\$30 regular and onsite x ____ = \$ ____

6. JOIN OR RENEW SWCS MEMBERSHIP

(Will renew for one year as of your current membership expiration date.)

- Conservationist \$115
- Leader \$180
- President’s Club \$275
- Student \$40
- Retired \$75
- Early Career \$75

7. CONTRIBUTION

I’d like to give and support the SWCS Professional Development Fund in the amount of... \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL \$ _____

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Opt out of sharing contact information with conference sponsors.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Choose One. Payment must accompany registration. All checks should be payable to SWCS.

Check (US funds) enclosed for \$ _____ Check # _____

Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Card No. _____ Exp. Date _____ CSV Code _____

Name on Card _____

Billing Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Postal Code _____

Signature _____