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SWCS Annual Conference Presentations

Presentations from the 74th SWCS International Annual Conference are now available for viewing! A link to the conference presentations, photos, conference program, and abstract book can be found at www.swcs.org/19AC.



74th SWCS International Annual Conference
BRIDGING the DIVIDE:
 Uniting Rural and Urban Landscapes for Conservation



Science and Policy News

Below you will find a list of some of the latest conservation science and policy news. Links to full articles on the different subjects are included.

- Waters of the United States ([WOTUS](#)) repealed
- China waives [tariffs](#) on some US goods for first time since the trade war began
- Many US [farmers](#) fume at Washington, not Trump, over biofuel, trade policies
- [Organic](#) farmers to harvest record acres in 2019
- [Agtech](#) Landscape: Tracking 1,600+ startups innovating on the farm and in the supply chain
- As billions flow to farmers, Trump administration faces internal concerns over unprecedented [bailout](#)
- [Optimism](#) falls in farm country, ag barometer shows
- Idaho still holding million-dollar [hemp](#) cargo, as trial nears for trucker
- [Brazil](#) raises US ethanol quota, leaves tariff in place
- Nebraska could soon be at the center of national legal battle over [Roundup](#)
- General Mills shares four ways it will reduce [pesticide](#) use
- Forests on [Utah's](#) public lands may soon be torn out
- Colorado [hemp](#) farmers will finally get crop insurance
- Trump moves to permit new logging in Alaska's [Tongass National Forest](#)
- [Maryland](#) concerned about Pennsylvania's water plans for the bay
- Mayor [Pete Buttigieg](#) reveals climate plan
- Senator [Cory Booker](#) also reveals climate plan
- Former HUD Secretary [Julian Castro](#) also reveals climate plan

The opinions expressed in these articles are meant to keep SWCS members informed of current conservation conversations and do not necessarily represent the views of SWCS.

Conservation NewsBriefs: Popular Articles from August



Are you up-to-date with news about soil and water conservation research and policy? *Conservation NewsBriefs* is a highly informative e-news brief that delivers the most relevant content to your inbox each and every Thursday. Below are links to some of the most read articles from the past month:

- [The tilling catch-22: Erosion vs. superweeds](#) (Sightline Institute)
- [As climate change hits Florida agriculture, could the future be 'carbon farming'?](#) (Miami Herald)
- [Farmers are using drones to help save an endangered US river](#) (The Associated Press via USA Today)
- [Mapping the strain on our water](#) (The Washington Post)

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New Members

Welcome members who joined in August!

International

Maria Regina Gmach

California/Nevada

Phil Smith
Sami Tellatin

Georgia

JaBioas Glenn

Iowa

Ray Gaesser
Mike Henning
Doug Kaiser
Becky Lockwood
Marcy Torgerson

Indiana—Hoosier Chapter

Elizabeth Bower
Michael Komp

Kansas

Cindy Pulse

Kentucky—Bluegrass

Jeff Thomas

Maryland—Maryland Old Line

Greg McCarty

Missouri—Show Me

Anh Bui
John Jones
Gary VanDeVelde

North Carolina—Hugh Hammond Bennett

William Byrum

Ohio—All Ohio

Reba Wicker

Oklahoma

Ann Marie Fortuna
Amanda Nelson

Pennsylvania—Keystone

Nick Lubecki
James Shallenberger

Tennessee

Dharma Pitchay

Virginia

Matt Lohr

Corporate Partners

Please contact memberservices@swcs.org or visit swcs.org/corporatepartner for more details.

Gold



Silver



New Conservation Community Members

Welcome community members who joined in August! Learn how to become a conservation community member [here](#).

Iowa

Buena Vista SWCD
Calhoun County SWCD
Floyd SWCD
Fremont SWCD
Sac County SWCD