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Conservation District Celebrates 65 Years of Service to Cumberland County

Cumberland County, PA – The Cumberland County Conservation District is celebrating 65 years of protecting the soil and water resources of the County in 2017. The District was formed in 1952, when a group of local farmers expressed concerns to the County Commissioners over the conservation of their soil and water resources. On April 26 of that year, the County was declared a soil conservation district.

“This is a significant achievement for us and I can’t express enough how much the dedication of the District’s staff and directors, both current and former, have done to reach this point,” said Carl Goshorn, conservation district manager for Cumberland County.

The District employs a staff of nine, which work with various programs including erosion and sediment control, water testing, dirt and gravel roads, watershed grants and education, tree seedling sale, rain barrel and the Chesapeake Bay Programs. In addition to being a voice for soil and water conservation, the District also provides many educational opportunities for area youth. Each year, the District is fortunate to host the Envirothon, provide sponsorships for local students to attend summer conservation camps and provide scholarships for college students in the environmental or natural resources field.

To learn more about the Cumberland County Conservation District, visit www.cumberlandcd.com.

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