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State Technical Committee
AGENDA
Thursday April 21, 2022

This meeting will be conducted via <u>Microsoft Teams</u> internet conferencing. The meeting link and a call-in telephone number is provided at the end of this document.

1:00 pm   Welcome – Denise Coleman, NRCS State Conservationist

Presentations:

1:05 pm   Dean Collamer, Chairman, Pennsylvania 4R Alliance

1:30 pm   From Wetlands to Milkweed - USFWS Updates on the Bog Turtle and Monarch Butterfly – Nicole Ranalli, Endangered Species Biologist and Kathleen Patnode, Environmental Toxicologist, US Fish and Wildlife Service

2:00 pm   Technical Reports:

- Engineering – Tim Peters, State Engineer
  - HPAI biosecurity
  - EWP CPI
  - Standards Review

- Ecological Sciences – Dan Ludwig, State Resource Conservationist

- Soil Surveys – Yuri Plowden, State Soil Scientist

2:30 pm   Agricultural Conservation Easements Programs (ACEP) – Adam Dellinger, Program Analyst, Acting Easement Manager on Detail

2:40 pm   Financial Programs:

- Update – Scott Heckman, Assistant State Conservationist for Programs

- Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) – Ryan Cornelius, EQIP Program Manager

- National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), and Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) – Ashley Lenig, Conservation Program Manager

- Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) – Jim Gillis, NRCS State Biologist

- Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) – Justin Atkins, Acting RCPP Coordinator on Detail

4:00 pm   Committee Input:

Do the State Technical Committee members have any suggestions for topics or agenda items for future meetings?

Dates for future State Technical Committee Meetings:

Tuesday, July 19, 2022
Wednesday, October 19, 2022
Thursday, January 19, 2023

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