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**Governor Sununu Signs Proclamation to Honor**

**NH Conservation Districts’ 75th Anniversary**

**Walpole, NH** (March 17, 2021) – Representatives from NH Conservation Districts, the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Districts and the New Hampshire State Conservation Committee met with Governor Sununu last week as he signed a Proclamation honoring the NH Conservation Districts’ 75th Anniversary. For 75 years the County Conservation Districts have worked tirelessly with landowners and communities to promote the conservation and responsible use of natural and agricultural resources all across the granite state.

To celebrate this momentous occasion, all 10 districts in partnership with the NH Association of Conservation Districts, will spend 2021 looking back on conservation successes throughout the years. The NH Conservation Districts have planned a number of engaging activities for Granite Staters to join in on throughout the year that include the Governor’s Proclamation, honoring conservation stewards with Conservation Legacy Awards, the launching of a Conservation Podcast series, Flashback Fridays on social media and more! Visit www.nhconservationhistory.com to follow along!

Conservation Districts were organized in response to devastating soil erosion conditions and to bridge the gap between federal technicians and private landowners. The first New Hampshire statewide Soil Conservation District was created in May 1945. To administer the law within New Hampshire, a policy was adopted organizing ten county sub-districts. In August 1955, the law was then amended changing the sub-districts into ten Soil Conservation Districts, one in each county, and made them governmental subdivisions of the state.

The New Hampshire State Conservation Committee is a state agency who is responsible for appointing Conservation District Supervisors, supervising the work of conservation districts, maintaining a long-range plan for soil and water conservation and upholds relationships with state agencies and legislature.

The New Hampshire Association of Conservation Districts has provided statewide coordination, representation, and leadership for Conservation Districts to conserve, protect, and promote responsible use of New Hampshire's natural resources since 1946. It facilitates the necessity and celebrates the success of local leaderships within the Districts and Association to achieve the common goal of sound soil and water conservation.

**About NHACD:**

Since 1946, the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Districts (NHACD), has provided statewide coordination, representation, and leadership for Conservation Districts to conserve, protect, and promote responsible use of New Hampshire’s natural resources. NHACD works collaboratively with county districts, federal, state, and local agencies, nonprofits, and other conservationists as a volunteer, tax-exempt, nonprofit organization. For more information visit [www.nhacd.net](http://www.nhacd.net)

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