

Hamilton County



Soil and Water Conservation District

February 2019

Conservation Spotlight



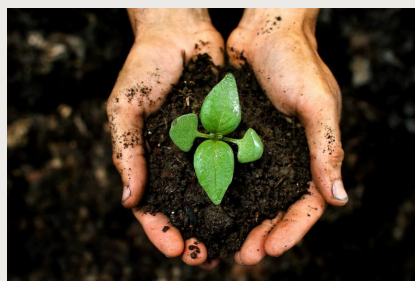
What is Impacting the Health of Our Local Creeks & Rivers?

In Hamilton County, we are very fortunate to have a wealth of data on the health of our local creeks and rivers. The accompanying maps show that while water quality is pretty good in Hamilton County (lots of green and blue dots on the Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Map), the health of aquatic wildlife continues to suffer (lots of red and yellow dots on the Aquatic Life Use Attainment Map). This tells us that the primary factor impacting aquatic wildlife in Hamilton County is not water pollution but degradation of physical habitat (including flow patterns) caused by the way that we build our urban and suburban environments.

[Read More](#)

The Results Are In!!! Four – Year Cover Crop Study.

Educator Workshops



Project WET

February 23 | 9am -3:30 pm

\$25 | Fernald Preserve

Project WET places a special focus on incorporating reading, writing, math and social studies while teaching about water resources through hands-on, investigative and easy to use activities. This workshop is appropriate for 1st- 8th grade educators.

For more information about the Project WET Workshop [click here](#).

Growing Up Wild

March 16 | 9 am - Noon

\$10 | Butler SWCD

Growing Up Wild is an early childhood education program that builds on children's sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife and the world around them. This workshop is appropriate for early childhood educators.



The overall goals of the cover crop study were to illustrate to the farmers the benefits of using cover crops. Establishing four demonstration sites by some of the largest and most respected farmers in the County so that surrounding farmers could observe the results and hopefully replicate the use of cover crops. [Learn More](#)

Welcome Urban Technician - Olivia Maltry

Olivia joined the Earthwork team in 2019. She is responsible for ensuring compliance with the Hamilton County Earthwork Regulations by performing site inspections for builders and landowners.

Olivia grew up on the west side of Cincinnati and received a B.S. from The Ohio State University in 2018. She studied environmental science with a specialization in ecosystem restoration. Before joining the HCSWCD Olivia worked for the USDA-ARS in Columbus, OH as a hydrologic technician. In her free time Olivia enjoys playing soccer, camping, and spending time with family and friends.



For more information about the Growing Up Wild Workshop please [click here](#).

Spring Manure Application Reminders

As the weather warms up and rainfall increases this time of year, the Ohio Department of Agriculture Division of Soil and Water Conservation would like to remind producers and nutrient applicators of laws and restrictions on manure application. Please keep in mind that these restrictions are year round. [Learn More](#)

Seasonal Intern/Coop Position

Hamilton County Soil & Water Conservation District has one - 20 hrs/week temporary position available. This position is for 20 hrs/week for a maximum of twelve weeks (max 240 hours). Position available between May 20 - September 1, 2019. This position must be part of the student's co-op/internship class in which students are currently enrolled. [Click here for more information](#).

Butler County Ag. Breakfast

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

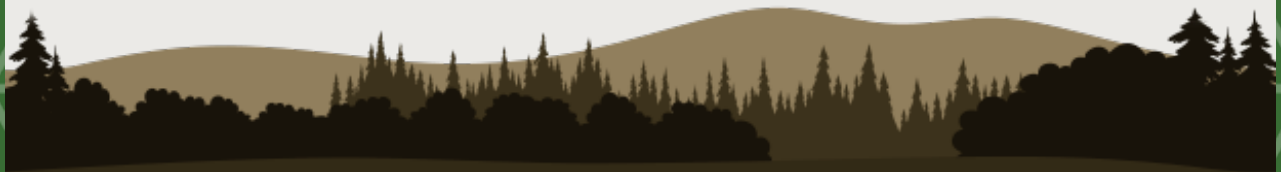
Breakfast begins at 7:30 am, Program starts at 8:00 am.

Butler SWCD, 1802 Princeton Road, Hamilton, OH. 45011.

To share info concerning FSA/NRCS updates, CAUV, Wildlife diseases and permitting, Three Valley Conservation Trust, Manure management, and more.

Although this program is free, an RSVP is needed by February 22 to estimate food.

Email butlerswcd@butlercountyohio.org, or complete this RSVP form on our website www.butlerswcd.org to reserve your spot for the breakfast.



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