



Connecticut RC&D

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RC&D Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 24, 2015
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
deKoven House
27 Washington Street
Middletown, CT

Agenda

Welcome/Introductory Remarks

- Membership Update

John Guskowski

CT RC&D Business

- Minutes of December 16, 2014
- Financial Reporting

Margot Burns
Barbara Kelly

Ongoing Project Updates

- Environmental Review Team
- Farm Energy Program
- Soil Health Workshops/AGvocate
- Regional Conservation Partnership (RCPP)
- Salmon River Watershed Partnership – Sponsorship

Elaine Sych
Amanda Fargo-Johnson
John Guskowski
Lois Bruinooge
John Guskowski

CT RC&D Organizational Details

- Membership Outreach
- Budget & Staffing
- Work Plan Discussion (see attached ideas list)

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John Weedon
Barbara Kelly

New Business

- New England RC&D Conference (Spring & Fall)

Jim Sipperly

Partner Updates

ALL

Schedule Next Meeting & Adjournment

Notes on Organizational Ideas – Connecticut RC&D Council (Meeting of August 25, 2014)

- NRCS Contribution Agreements: Being an outreach arm for Farm Bill Programs
- Regional Land Trust capacity building
- Support and resources to Small Farms, New Farmers
 - o Financial planning
 - o Infrastructure
 - o Environmental planning
- HEAP Program
- Manure composting and management
- ERT Program continuity
- Grant resources to Towns
- Helping municipalities manage Open Space
- Clearinghouse on technical resources available, grants
- Trails and Green Infrastructure development
- Brownfields redevelopment support
 - o Assist DEEP and DECD with program outreach
- Forestry support and forest management outreach
- Regional Agricultural promotion – Advocate
- Farm Energy Program
- Association Management Services