



**Eastern Connecticut Resource  
Conservation and Development Area, Inc.**

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*The RC&D helps people care for and protect their natural resources, improve local economies, and sustain a high quality of life. The Eastern Connecticut Program derives its success from its ability to connect individuals, communities, government entities, and grassroots organizations. These connections and partnerships enable the development of shared visions and resource networks that work toward a healthy future for Connecticut.*

*Mission Statement*

The mission of the Eastern Connecticut Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D) is to identify and champion initiatives that sustain that which makes our communities and environment unique, and to build upon our strengths and potential for a healthy future.

*Vision Statement*

The key to sustaining the uniqueness and high quality of life of Eastern Connecticut is to acknowledge and embrace the fundamental interdependence of urban, suburban, and rural communities.

Resource Conservation and Development is a program of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). It was created by a provision of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1962. The Secretary of Agriculture gave the Natural Resources Conservation Service responsibility for administering the program. USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



## Eastern CT RC&D Area 2011 Annual Meeting



*June 13, 2011*

*11 am – 3 pm*

*Fort Hill Farms*

*Thompson, Connecticut*



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**“Celebrating 40+Yrs of Excellence”**

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# Annual Meeting Agenda

## Welcome

11 am

Town of Thompson

John Guskowski

Lawrence K. Groh

## Business Meeting

Secretary's Report

Approval of Minutes

Budget Approval 2011-2012

Election of Officers

Annual Plan of Work 2011-2012

John Guskowski

## Partner Updates

National Association of RC&D

USDA Rural Development

USDA NRCS

James Sipperly

Jay Healy

Jay Mar

## RC&D Partnership Awards

## Lunch- Barbeque Buffet Style - The Woodstock Hill Inn

## CT Agritourism

## & Farm Diversification

Kristin Orr

## Farm Tour

## Quintessential Gardens & Fort Hill Farms

1:30pm-2:30pm

Kristin & Peter Orr

## The Creamery

## Taste some delicious Farmers Cow Ice Cream

2:30pm-3:00pm

Kristin & Peter Orr

Conclude

## Lavender Picking

Optional 3:00pm

# Award Recipients

## RC&D Partnership Awards

✿ Elizabeth Rogers

✿ Norma O'Leary

## Eastern CT RC&D Officers

*John Guskowski, President*  
Working Lands Alliance

*Margot Burns, Secretary*  
CT River Estuary Regional Planning Agency

*Phil Chester, Vice President*  
Windham Region Council of Governments

*Barbara Kelly, Treasurer*  
North Central Conservation District

## Thank You

On behalf of the Eastern CT RC&D Council thank you for joining us. We would also like to thank Kristin & Peter Orr of Fort Hill Farms for hosting the event.

Visit them online at [www.FortHillFarms.com](http://www.FortHillFarms.com)

Also thank you to the Annual Meeting Committee for putting it all together.

## Annual Meeting Planning Committee

John Guskowski, Margot Burns, Phil Chester,  
Amanda Fargo-Johnson, and Elaine Sych