Perry Soil and Water Conservation District 212 S. Main Street New Lexington, OH 43764

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Mission: To increase public awareness and provide technical assistance in conserving our soil, water, and other natural resources.

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BEAUTIFUL, BUSY FALL

Wow! What a full, fall schedule. I visited several schools this fall teaching students about the formation of soil, soil erosion, food chains, predator/prey relationships, and adaptations, water quality, and stream morphology. Students from 3rd through 11th grades from Glenford, Thornville, Crooksville K-8, Somerset, Alpha School and Sheridan Middle participated in presentations as well as hands-on activities.

Weathering & Erosion activity



Testing Soil for the pH



Collecting soil to

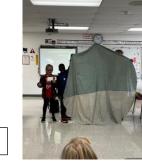


Checking the results of pH test









Clay, Silt, and Sand activity

December 2023

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CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Congratulations to Beverly Decore-Trovato and Rich Maxwell! They have been re-elected to the Perry Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors. Both Beverly and Rich will serve another 3-year term beginning in January.

District Boards of Supervisors guide the district, its staff, and cooperating agencies in efforts to implement a conservation program in the county that addresses management and conservation of soil, water, and related resources. Supervisors should have a sincere interest in conservation and must have the enthusiasm, dedication, and time to serve expected of an elected official. District supervisors are elected to serve a three-year term of office and serve without pay.

Rich Maxwell



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For fiscal year 2024, NRCS has \$3 billion in Inflation Reduction Act funds to invest in climatesmart mitigation activities. This year, NRCS expanded the list of those activities as well as expanded priority areas for ACEP for grasslands, wetlands and farmlands at risk of conversion.

Additionally, for fiscal year 2024, NRCS has over \$2 billion in Farm Bill funding available to producers for priorities like organic and urban agriculture, soil health, water quality and quantity and wildlife habitat development. This extensive amount of funding will be used to meet producer demand for our oversubscribed programs, maximize climate benefits and help producers address their natural resource challenges.

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- -Keep in original containers & never remove labels.
- -Never mix HHW with other products: can cause a reactions

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Perry Soil and Water
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