



National Association of Conservation Districts

January 19, 2022

The Honorable Raúl Grijalva
Chairman – Committee on Natural
Resources
United States House of Representatives
1324 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Bruce Westerman
Ranking Member – Committee on Natural
Resources
United States House of Representatives
1329 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C., 20515

Dear Chairman Grijalva and Ranking Member Westerman,

The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) represents nearly 3,000 of America's locally-led conservation districts, working with millions of landowners and operators to help them manage and protect land and water resources on private and public lands. Established under state law, conservation districts share a single mission: to work cooperatively with federal, state, and local resource management agencies, and private sector interest groups to provide technical, financial, and other assistance to help landowners and operators apply conservation to the landscape.

We thank you for your continued service and want to express our appreciation to the Committee for taking up the resolution recognizing NACD's 75th Anniversary. For more than 75 years, conservation districts have been leaders in locally-led efforts to protect our nation's natural resources by working with private landowners to implement voluntary conservation practices on the ground and working with federal land management agencies to carry out natural resource management on public lands. NACD remains committed to voluntary and locally-led conservation efforts in order to further good stewardship of the land and natural resources. We appreciate the acknowledgement of that commitment through H.Res.641 and thank the committee for its consideration of the resolution.

Thank you again for your work and commitment to conservation and natural resource management. NACD is excited to work with the Committee in the future. We look forward to providing insight on how conservation districts across the country are working to preserve our nation's natural resources on public and private working lands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael R. Crowder".

Michael R. Crowder
President
National Association of Conservation Districts