

Agricultural Soil and Water Conservation Stewardship

(2017 Current Topic)

Over the past 25 years, the Maryland Farmer has played an important role in the efforts to clean up the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. Maryland has been a leader in the implementation of soil and water conservation best management practices to control sediment and improve water quality. The Current Environmental Issue, Agricultural Soil and Water Conservation Stewardship, easily translates across all provinces and states.

NCF-Envirothon participants will learn about the Maryland's natural resources and engage in hands-on training and testing. Students will learn the basic concepts of how agricultural Best Management Practices and all natural resource areas are interrelated by closely interacting with natural resource professionals. By providing a lifelong learning experience for these students, they will learn the importance of maintaining a balance of the quality of life versus the quality of the environment as an agriculturist. As part of the overall NCF-Envirothon program, students will gain an understanding of the importance of promoting soil and water conservation stewardship.

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