

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR TRAINING CREDITS FOR EXTERNAL TRAINING EVENTS

NC General Statute 139-7.2 requires six clock hours of training per term of service; topics shall include “soil, water, and natural resources conservation” and “the duties and responsibilities of district supervisors”.

02 NCAC 59A .0204(c) outlines the activities where Supervisor Training Credits (STCs) may be obtained:

- Local board meetings when a presentation is provided by a resource professional,
- Local board meetings where appropriate resource materials are reviewed, and
- Through classroom training, field days, or events sponsored by the District, the Association, the Commission, the Division, NRCS, or the UNC School of Government.

02 NCAC 59A .0204(d) allows that “Other events or activities may be individually approved by the Commission when they meet the requirements of this Rule.”

The Division has participated in several recent training activities related to natural resources conservation and the duties and responsibilities of district supervisors that meet the requirements of the Rule. As we approach the end of the 2022-2026 supervisor terms, the Division seeks to offer as many training opportunities as possible to allow supervisors the ability to meet training requirements.

The Division requests that STCs be eligible for activities and events sponsored by the **North Carolina Foundation for Soil & Water Conservation (FSWC)**, the **National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD)**, the **National Association of State Conservation Agencies (NASCA)**, and the **National Conservation District Employees Association (NCDEA)**. These partners have missions that align with the North Carolina soil and water conservation partnership, and their training activities are in line with statutory requirements.