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**Recommendations for Supervisor Appointment
Soil and Water Conservation Commission
September 16, 2026**

District	Name of Nominee	Replacing Name	Term	Willing to attend Basic Training	Willing to attend other meetings	Reason for Vacancy	Notes
Richmond	Alex Maples	Jeff Joyner	Elected (24-28)	Yes	Yes (local, area, state)	Resignation	Passion for agriculture and ties to the timber industry, as a timber procurment representative. Age 28 increases board diversity.

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Appointment or Reappointment	New Appointment
District:	Richmond
Unexpired/Expired Term of Supervisor:	Jeff Joyner
Elected/Appointed	Elected
Term of Office	December 2024 to December 2028
Name of Nominee:	Alex Maples
Nominee Mailing Address:	227 Green Lake Road
City:	Rockingham
State:	NC
Zipcode:	28379
Nominee Email Address:	amaples@claybournwalters.com
Nominee Mobile or Home Phone:	9107303203

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Age	28
Occupation:	Timber Procurement Representative
Education:	Associates in Forest Management
Positions of leadership NOW held by nominee:	Procurement Manager for NC Piedmont at Claybourn Walters Logging Comp
Former Occupations or Positions of Leadership Contributing to Nominee's qualifications:	Crew Foreman with Burfords Tree
If appointed, I am willing to attend Basic Training for Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors within the first year after appointment?	Yes
The program and purpose of the soil and water conservation district been explained to me?	Yes
I am willing to attend and participate in (check all that apply)?	• Local District Meetings • Area Meetings • State Meetings
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Printed certification signature page for board approval. Only necessary if signature box is not signed above.	Ryan Carriker signature for Alex Maples recommended supervisor appli (222 KB)
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Is the nominee actively engaged in, or recently retired from, an agricultural operation?	Yes
Please explain the nominee's connection to agriculture:	Alex Maples is currently working in the forestry and timbering industry. He works for one of the biggest timber companies in the southeast as a timber cruiser and logger. He assesses crops and prices of lumber as well as BMPs for farmers.
Number of current District Supervisors actively engaged in, or recently retired from, an agricultural operation.	2
Will the appointment provide an opportunity to engage a segment of agriculture not currently being served?	Yes
Please describe how the nominee improves the agricultural diversity of the board:	Alex Maples brings a different side of agriculture to the board; forestry and timbering. The majority of the supervisors on the board in the past were working in or had a background in the chicken farming industry.
Will the appointment bring new leadership skills to the board?	Yes
Please describe the new leadership skills the nominee brings to the board:	He is a salesman and is able to talk to anyone. He has great language and people skills. He is very personable and likable. Alex is very passionate about agriculture.
Will the appointment strengthen the political connection/influence of the district, especially at the county level?	Yes
Please describe the new advocacy skills the nominee brings to the board:	Alex has exceptional advocacy skills from working in the timber industry. He is good at talking and interacting with people for timber sales. He also helps with land acquisitions and advocating for conservation through BMPs.

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Will the appointment provide representation from a portion of the county not currently represented?	Yes
Describe how the appointment improves the geographic representation for the board:	Alex is originally from Hamlet; this is different from all other current board supervisors.
Will the appointment improve opportunities to work with non-traditional partners?	Yes
Please describe how the appointment improves partnership opportunities for the district:	Alex Maples is bringing the company he works for into the fold of the Soil & Water Conservation partnership. The timber industry is very lucrative and the company he works for is known to donate or support other conservation efforts.
Will the appointment improve the make-up of the board from an agricultural/nonagricultural perspective?	Yes
Describe how the appointment improves the non-ag representation for the board:	In addition to working in lumber and forestry, Alex is also an avid hunter and fisherman.
Will the appointment improve the diversity of the board?	Yes
Please describe how the appointment improves the diversity of the board:	He's young in age, from a different geographic location, and works in forestry. These aspects differ from characteristics of the other current board supervisors.
Has the nominee shown past involvement in an organization beyond the local level?	Yes

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Describe how the nominee has been involved in an organization beyond the local level:	The company that Alex Maples works for is a very large organization that spans the entire southeast. This has introduced Alex to working with individuals beyond the local level.
Will the appointment strengthen the District's opportunity to raise funds?	Yes
Please describe how the appointment strengthens the District's opportunity to raise funds?	The addition of Alex Maples as a supervisor to the Richmond District board strengthens the district's opportunity to raise funds by the timber company that Alex works for being known to donate and support conservation efforts. Forestry is one of the most lucrative industries and this could potentially support the district's opportunities to raise funds.
Will the appointment strengthen the District's education, marketing, and outreach efforts?	Yes
How will the appointment strengthen the District's education, marketing, and outreach efforts?	Alex Maples has mentioned that he is willing and able to help with advancing the district's marketing, education, and outreach efforts.
Does the District wish to provide other justification in support of the nomination? If so, enter here:	Alex Maples is a viable candidate who is very interested in serving the county on the Richmond District Soil & Water Conservation board of supervisors. Additionally, Alex is young and is increasing the diversity of the board by bringing down the average age of the board. In the past, the Richmond District board of supervisors had one supervisor with an age of 52, and this supervisor was the youngest member. Currently, the Richmond District board of supervisors will have two supervisors in their late 20s/early 30s should Alex Maples be approved as a supervisor by the Commission.
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Jeff W. Joyner

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I have decided after much thought and consideration and after 25 years on this board that it is time for me to step aside. I ask that my resignation take place on January 15, 2026

I have enjoyed serving on a board that has done and is doing great work for the county and wish you much success as you continue to serve the citizens of Richmond County.

Thanks

Jeff W. Joyner

