

State Soil Conservation Committee (SSCC)

AGENDA (Hybrid)*

May 21, 2026

9:30 AM – 12:00PM

Location: MDA Headquarters, 50 Harry Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21401

Join by computer <https://meet.google.com/ttr-nkas-yqi>

Join by phone **352-503-8958 PIN 815 189 797#**

- 9:30 AM** **OPEN MEETING → Call to Order**
- Roll Call of SSCC Members → Interested parties please write name and affiliation in CHAT
 - Review and approval of April minutes
- 9:35 AM** **SSCC Admin**
- June 18 Meeting at Somerset Soil Conservation District, Princess Anne: **Tour at 9:30AM, SSCC meeting start at 10:30 AM PLEASE RSVP**
 - July 16 meeting at MDA Headquarters, Annapolis
 - MOU Update: MDA and MDA Inspections and Enforcement on Ag Operations
 - Supervisor Appointments: **Anne Arundel SCD**
- 9:45 AM** **Chesapeake Bay Program Updates**
Guest Speaker: Alisha Mulkey, MDA
- 10:15 AM** **Legislative Session Summary**
Guest Speaker: Harrison Palmer, MDA
- 10:45 AM** **Member Reports**
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Farm Services Agency
MD Association of Soil Conservation Districts
MD Agricultural Commission
Area 1: Western - Diane Flickinger
Area 2: Southern – Amy Posey
Area 3: Upper Shore – Steve Freeman
Area 4: Central – Van Funk
Area 5: Lower Shore – Anne-Meredith Webster
Department of Agriculture
Department of Natural Resources
Department of Environment
University of Maryland / Extension
- 11:30 AM** **CLOSED MEETING of SSCC membership (interested parties dismissed)**
- Review of supervisor applications
 - Administrative matters related to SCD Board Supervisor applications, review and selection process

PRESIDING OFFICER’S WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING (“CLOSING STATEMENT”) UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)

Recorded vote to close the meeting:

Date: May 21, 2026 ; Time: [to be determined]; Location: MDA Headquarters, Annapolis;

Motion to close meeting made by: [to be determined] Seconded by [to be determined];

Members in favor: [to be determined]; Opposed: [to be determined]; Abstaining: [to be determined]; Absent: [to be determined].

Statutory authority to close session (check all provisions that apply).

This meeting will be closed under General Provisions Art. § 3-305(b) only:

(1) x "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals";

For each provision above, disclosure of the topic to be discussed and the public body's reason for discussing that topic in closed session.

Topic: Applicants for Soil Conservation District Board Supervisor: **Dorchester, Kent, Somerset**

Reason for closed-session discussion of topic: Public discussion of applicant names and job info could discourage people from applying for supervisor positions.

This statement is made by Van Funk, Presiding Officer.

12:00 PM Adjourn (from closed session)

NEXT MEETING: June 18, 2026 - **9:30 AM to 2:00 PM** (Regular meeting 10:30 AM-12:30PM)

LOCATION: Somerset Soil Conservation District, Howard H. Anderson Ag Bldg, Princess Anne, Maryland 21853