

# Vermont Natural Resources Conservation Council

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **PETITIONS FOR LOCAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT ELECTIONS AVAILABLE**

The State Natural Resources Conservation Council Chair, Alan Shelvey of Rutland County, today announced the availability of nominating petitions for the statewide elections of District Supervisors in each of the fourteen Natural Resource Conservation Districts.

Natural Resources Conservation Districts are local subdivisions of state government established under the state's Soil Conservation Act to cooperate with landowners and municipalities in applying conservation practices to the land. Conservation Districts sponsor and coordinate the technical and financial assistance to address water quality, stormwater runoff, erosion, soil quality, watershed planning, and conservation education in schools and to the general public. Conservation Districts offer a unique and powerful vehicle for citizens to become involved with local conservation work and establish programs that protect their environment. Please visit [www.winooskinrcd.org](http://www.winooskinrcd.org) for more information about your local Conservation District.

To have your name placed on the December 5, 2016 election ballot for the office of District supervisor, a person must have a minimum of twenty five (25) signatures on nominating petitions. Anyone owning one or more acres of land and residing within a District may run for, or sign a nominating petition.

One supervisor for each District board will be elected for a term of five (5) years beginning January 1, 2017. The deadline for submitting nominating petitions to your local Conservation District office is November 21, 2016.

Nominating petitions and additional information may be obtained by contacting your local Conservation District at: (802) 778-3178.