



2024 MASCD ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

Monday July 8

12 pm- 1:45 pm	New Supervisor Orientation
12 pm- 1:45 pm	District Managers Meeting
2 pm- 3 pm	Area Meetings
3:15 pm- 5 pm	Board Meeting #1
5:30-7:30 pm	<p>Crab Feast Monday (separate ticket required)</p> <p>Widgeon Pavilion, Horn Point Laboratory, 5475 Lovers Lane, Cambridge Crab feast includes: Steamed crabs, fried chicken, cole slaw, potato salad, cornbread, corn on the cob, dessert plus all the fixings.</p>

Tuesday, July 9

7 am- 8 am	Breakfast
8 am-9:30 am	<p>Opening Session</p> <p>Keynote Speaker Brad Gingras (Superior Strategies) will talk about changes in the workplace and the importance of recognizing the value and differences in generations, as well as communication strategies for districts and partners.</p>
9:30 am-12 pm	<p>Administrative Committee</p> <p>Agenda is still being developed- Check back for updates! Potential topics include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Results of the District Survey and Available Resources for Districts ● Roundtable Introductions for NRCS, MDA, FSA and MASCD Outreach Specialists ● Maryland Legislative Updates ● NRCS Leasing Requirements and Process ● MDA Budget Forecast and Implications for Districts ● IRA Funding Updates and Plans for Implementation ● Small Farm Cover Crop Program and Urban Ag Updates

12 pm-1 pm	Lunch
1:15 pm-4:30 pm	<p>Technical Committee Meeting</p> <p>Agenda is still being developed- Check back for updates! Potential topics include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What's Ahead for WIP after 2025? • On-Farm Trials- Project Overview and First Results • Making Conservation a Part of Farm Business Planning • Small Ponds- What is MDE's Process for Review and Approval? • NRCS Areas- Overview and Benefits for SCDs and Cooperators • NRCS Update on Engineering Reviews and Project Approvals • Focus on Lower Shore: Saltwater Intrusion, Trends in Rainfall & Flooding
5:30 pm-6 pm	Evening Reception
5:30-7:30 pm	Awards Banquet and Auction

Wednesday, July 10

7 am- 8 am	Breakfast
7 am- 8 am	NRCS District Conservationists Meeting
8:15 am- 10 am	<p>SSCC Training</p> <p>Brad Gingras (Superior Strategies) will return to take a deeper dive into how to recruit, retain and manage a multigenerational workforce.</p> <p>SSCC Training will also include an additional topic TBD.</p>
10 am- 11 am	General Business Meeting
11 am- 12 am	Board Meeting #2

Afternoon TBD	<p>CSP Information Session and Q&A</p> <p>Additional information to come!</p>
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