

Tuesday, February 27
DoubleTree Hotel, Columbia, SC

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. Registration

SCCDEA Silent Auction & exhibits begin at 8:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Opening Ceremony

- Presiding: Kenny Mullis, President, SCACD
- Invocation: Reverend Gerald T. Mabry, SCACD State Chaplain
- Presentation of Colors: Brookland-Cayce High Color Guard
- Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem
- Welcome and Overview

General Session I

10:00AM SC Conservation History (30m)

- Hugh Hammond Bennett Video
- USDA New Mission Area Update (FSA/NRCS/RMA)
- Walther Farms Sustainable Agricultural Practices
- SC Farm Bureau Update – Harry Ott

12:15 p.m. Conference Luncheon

1:15 - 3:00 p.m. General Session II

- Solar Farming - Opportunities and Challenges – Landrum Weathers
- Farming in The Future
- Soil and Water Conservation Society - Dale Threath-Taylor
- SC Forage and Grazing Lands Coalition –Kenny Mullis

2:00 p.m. Spouse/Guest Session Tour of House & Gardens

3:00 p.m. Break

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions

- Locally Grown - Ben Boyles, Clemson Extension
- New and Beginning Farmers
- Pollinators - Berkeley CD and Bee Cause
- State Water Plan Update and Groundwater Assessment
 - Joe Gellici, DNR - DHEC?

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Conservation Districts Foundation

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. NRCS Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. Awards Reception and Dinner in hotel

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8:00 a.m.

Conference Breakfast

9:00 a.m.

General Session III
SC Wildlife Magazine update
Wrap-up Instructions

9:15 a.m. Area Caucuses

Edisto-Savannah Valley
Pee Dee
East Piedmont
West Piedmont

10:30 a.m. SCACD Business Session

Presiding: Kenny Mullis

- New Business
- SC Conservation Districts Foundation Report
- Partnership Reports
 - NRCS
 - DNR
 - District Employees
 - NACD
- Area Caucus Reports
- Adoption of 2018 Policy Positions
- Nominating Committee Report
 - **Election of Officers**

Adjourn

**12 Noon: DNR Land, Water and Conservation Division
Advisory Committee Meeting**