**FREE** COMMISSIONER REGISTRATION AND LODGING!

**2019 Iowa Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners**

**73rd Annual Conference**

August 19 and 20, 2019

Gateway Hotel and Conference Center, 2100 Green Hills Dr.

Ames, IA 50014

*Early Registration Deadline: July 19, 2019*

Registrant Name (please print) Guest Name

Title District/Organization/Agency

Address City

State Zip Code Phone Email

Physical or dietary restrictions? Yes No If yes, please indicate:

**Attention Commissioners and Assistant Commissioners**: Please register, but do not send payment unless you are registering a guest. Payment is due at time of registration for all others planning to attend. The additional $20 late fee for commissioners registering after July 19th must be incurred by the commissioner. **Make checks payable to CDI.**

**Registration** (includes all meals and materials)

**Early Rate** – through 7/19/19:

2 Day Conference Registration - $225 Day 1 (Aug. 19) Registration - $165 Day 2 (Aug. 20) Registration - $100

**Regular Rate** – after 7/19/19:

2 Day Conference Registration - $245 Day 1 (Aug. 19) Registration - $185 Day 2 (Aug. 20) Registration - $120

**Guest Registration** (includes all meals and materials)

**Early Rate** – through 7/19/19:

2 Day Conference Registration - $140 1 Day Conference Registration - $100

Guest Tour- $30 (free with paid two day guest registration)

**Regular Rate** – after 7/19/19:

2 Day Conference Registration - $160 1 Day Conference Registration - $120

# **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CDI**

# Grand Total: $

# **Total number of people attending each event:**

### August 18 Dinner

**Register and return completed
form and check to:**

Conservation Districts of Iowa

Attn: Annual Conference

315 E 5th St. Suite #134

Des Moines, IA 50319

**OR**

**Email:** carlee@cdiowa.org

August 19 Lunch

Guest Tour

Banquet

August 20 Breakfast

Lunch

Due to contract commitments made to service

providers, ***no refunds*** will be issued for conference registrations canceled ***after July 26, 2019***.

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**Agenda**

**Guest Tour**Monday, August 19th
9:00am-3:30pm

Enjoy a guided tour of the Iowa Arboretum in Madrid followed by a delicious catered in lunch and Wine Tasting included at the beautiful Vineyard at The Cellar Winery in Cambridge, featuring a guided tour through the vineyard, live music, and more!

Any questions or concerns? Contact Carlee Sabus at carlee@cdiowa.org

**Sunday, August 18, 2019**

Noon Registration Table Opens

3:00 pm CDI Board Meeting

**Monday, August 19, 2019**

8:00 am Registration and Credentials Tables Open

 Exhibits Open – Auction Items Accepted

9:00 am Guest Tour Departs

 Welcome from CDI and SSCWQC

 CDI Business Meeting

11:00 am Breaks and Exhibits

11:30 am Lunch – Speaker; Secretary Mike Naig, and Susan Kozak, Director, Division of Soil Conservation and Water Quality

 Farmer Awards

1:00 pm Break and Exhibits

1:30 pm Breakout Session 1 – choose from the list of 5 possible breakouts\*

2:15 pm Break and Exhibits

2:30 pm Breakout Session 2 – choose from the list of 5 possible breakouts\*

3:15 pm Break and Exhibits

3:30 pm Breakout Session 3 – choose from the list of five possible breakouts\*

4:15 pm Break and Exhibits

4:30 pm NACD Presentation

5:00 pm Social and Exhibits

6:00 pm Awards Banquet and Live Auction – Live Band

**\*Breakout topic choices:** Wendong Zhang, CARD; Jamie Benning, ISU Water Quality Research; Larry Weber, Flood Center, Two different topics; Beth Mason, Soil Health Champions; Jessica Espenshade and Ryan Stockwell, Cover Crop Champions

**Tuesday, August 20, 2019**

7:00 am Breakfast Buffet

8:00 am Break and Exhibits

8:30 am *Propelling Conservation through Conversation… An Imagining Session* - Commissioners/IDALS General Discussion to explore ways to enhance commissioner’s involvement, ideas to get new people involved with local SWCDs, suggestions to enhance Commissioners/IDALS partnership, and share local best practices for District operations

10:00 am Break and Exhibits

10:30 am Panel Discussion – 2018 Farm Bill implementation and Opportunities – Federal Partners

11:30 am Speaker, Lunch, and District Awards

 Speaker, Jackie Comito, Iowa Learning Farms – 15th Anniversary Presentation

1:00 pm Annual Conference Wrap-up

2:00 pm Midwest NACD Listening Session: CDI Commissioners and local conservation district board members from across NACD’s North Central Region are invited to attend this member-focused listening session. This session will provide attendees with an overview of NACD’s programs and services, as well as the opportunity to provide feedback to help guide your national association on how they can better serve conservation districts and advance their mission. Refreshments will be provided.