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Conservation Districts of Iowa informs, educates and leads Iowans through our local soil and water conservation districts to promote conservation of natural resources.

Date: January 28, 2020
To: District Commissioners
From: Jack Boyer, CDI Vice President
Re: Resolution Process

Each year the Conservation Districts of Iowa (CDI) invites all 100 Soil and Water Conservation Districts to consider writing one or more resolutions that address an issue that has arisen during the year or that would help Commissioners carry out their conservation mission. Resolutions are ideas on how to better administer the programs we all deal with. Resolutions can be directed to issues governed by CDI, the Iowa Department of Agriculture, or the Natural Resource Conservation Service.

Attached are the 2020 CDI Resolution Process guidelines. Please note the due dates as they are different than 2019 due to the date of our annual conference. Also, we ask that you follow the attached guidelines on how to submit your resolution or resolutions.

As we did last year, the CDI Resolutions Committee will review your initial submission, check that the idea is not in current rules and regulations and modify the resolution if needed to make sure it has the best chance of being adopted. The Committee will then return the modified resolution to the district for your approval.

Before submitting a resolution, CDI asks that the district commissioners do their due diligence to make sure the issue cannot be solved with conversations or negotiations with the appropriate agency.

The resolutions that are eventually adopted by ballot or at our annual conference become issues that the CDI staff and officers will address with the appropriate agency. Last year, we had a great group of resolutions that spurred discussion statewide and resulted in policy changes at several levels.

Thank you for thoughtful input and service.