

# Association Executive Director's Report to the Commission July 2024

# 2024 Legislative Items

It does not appear that there will be budget amendments this year. 2025 will be the year for a new state budget and we will carry forward our requests.

## **Advanced Training for Soil and Water Conservation Supervisors**

This year we offered this training for the first time. It was a 6-hour training, held at the Soils Lab in Raleigh. 12 Supervisors and 7 staff from the partnership attended. The topics included personality traits, human resource management, employee development and retention, a deeper dive into the coast share programs and a session on contract management for programs such as StRAP and the Emergency Watershed Program. The goal moving forward will be to offer this training annually, rotating regionally. Attendant feedback was positive.

## **Basic Training for Soil and Water Conservation Supervisors**

We are planning the 2025 Basic Training. The dates will be February 4 - Coastal, February 18 - Mountain, and February 5 – Piedmont.

Per Commission policy, we bring the attached draft agenda for your approval.

## (ACTION REQUESTED)