



**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
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**The National Association of Resource Conservation & Development
Councils Announces Award to Shenandoah RC&D Council**

The National Association of Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Councils is proud to announce that Shenandoah RC&D Council of Verona, Virginia has earned enhanced (Tier II) membership in the National Association's Circle of Diamonds program. Shenandoah RC&D Council is only the 15th RC&D Council nationwide (out of 375) to have earned this distinction for its exemplary management policies and practices.

As a standing member of the Circle of Diamonds, Shenandoah RC&D Council has already demonstrated its positive impact on the quality of life within its local area, accountability to the public, and commitment to the RC&D mission. In earning enhanced membership, it has shown its ability to go beyond the specific benchmarks outlined in basic program guidelines. The RC&D Council's adherence to the governance practices and high management standards necessary for enhanced membership raise its credibility and effectiveness in serving the needs of its community.

The National Association of RC&D Councils is very pleased to grant Shenandoah RC&D Council this well deserved honor.

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RC&D Councils lead community action to sustain and improve the quality of natural resources and community life in their council areas. Councils are composed of volunteers who serve their communities in all 50 states and US territories. The Circle of Diamonds program acknowledges that RC&D Councils are fulfilling the requirements laid out for the RC&D program and adhering to sound management guidelines.

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