

For immediate release

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Winooski NRCD is seeking conservation-minded residents to serve as Board Supervisors and Associate Supervisors. Winooski Natural Resource Conservation District (NRCD) is run by a volunteer Board of Supervisors. Supervisors have a variety of backgrounds in conservation, agriculture, forestry, fundraising, and organizational management. The Board meets monthly either virtually or at our Berlin or Williston office locations to discuss project progress with District staff, guide program development, and oversee financial operations. Do you have a passion for the environment and an interest in playing a more hands-on role in conservation? Come serve all your District neighbors! Eligible Supervisors just need to reside within the Winooski District. Completed petitions to serve are due back to the Winooski NRCD offices by November 10, 2020.

About the Winooski NRCD

The Winooski NRCD mission is to promote the wise use, sustainable development, and conservation of our District's natural resources. We provide education and technical assistance for communities and residents implementing on-the-ground projects for water quality, soil health, forest integrity, and wildlife habitat. NRCDs are local subdivisions of state government established under Vermont's <u>Soil Conservation Act</u> and they offer a unique and powerful vehicle for citizens to become involved with local conservation work and establish programs that protect the environment. Please visit www.winooskinred.org for more information and to read our new five year strategic plan.

About the Board of Supervisors

There are 5 voting Supervisors and terms are 5 years with a fall election every year for a single seat. Winooski NRCD is currently looking to fill two vacant positions for voting members. Voting Supervisors must follow a formal petition for the ballot process. A person must have a minimum of twenty five (25) signatures on nominating petitions. Anyone residing within the



District may run. Anyone owning land and residing within a District may sign a nominating petition. Please note, if the Winooski District receives petitions from more than 1 candidate, an election will be held on November 24, 2020. If only one candidate submits a petition, the petitioner shall be installed as Board Supervisor without an election. Learn more and access a petition here. Supervisor eligibility and voting procedures follow Vermont's Soil Conservation Act.

There is no limit on the number of non-voting Associate Supervisors the Winooski NRCD can host, and no term length for these seats. Associate Supervisors still attend monthly meetings and volunteer their assistance in District projects where it best fits their skills. Any and all residents of the Winooski District are welcome to serve as Associate Supervisors upon approval of the Board of Supervisors. If interested in joining as an Associate Supervisor, contact us any time of year and we will help set up a meet and greet with the current Board and answer your questions. Let us know if you're interested or have any questions: info@winooskinrcd.org

Winooski NRCD is an equal opportunity employer and shall not discriminate on the basis of citizenship, race, color, religion, national or ethnic origin, age, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, or gender identity or expression. We strongly encourage individuals of all backgrounds to submit a petition. Thank you for your interest!





Don't we look like a friendly bunch? Supervisors visiting our partners at Philo Ridge Farm.