

Carroll County Conservation District

The Dirt



Landowner News

Issue 03

May 2026

Welcome!

Welcome to the May edition of **The Dirt**, Carroll County Conservation District's newsletter! Spring is here, and things are buzzing at the Carroll County Conservation District! With planting season underway, our team is busy supporting landowners and farmers across the county. Read on for updates on our latest projects, upcoming programs, and educational opportunities we have coming your way this spring. We're glad you're here!

Agency Notes

FSA - Producers can visit the office to update farm records and complete crop reports. Crop reporting deadline is July 15 for most crops.

NRCS - Landowners can apply for fiscal year '27 programs and schedule visits with technical staff.

Extension - Poultry Nutrition event May 14 @ 7pm, Tick Prevention May 19 @ 6pm, call to RSVP. Carroll County Fair begins May 29. Cattlemen's meeting May 18 @ 6pm.



Keep Your Backyard Flock Healthy!

University of Kentucky Poultry Specialist, Dr. Jacqueline Jacob, will speak on poultry health and nutrition

May 14, 2026 ~ 7:00 p.m.
Carroll County Extension Service
500 Floyd Drive, Carrollton KY

No cost to attend.
Please call to rsvp by 5/13/26.
(502) 732-7030
Those who rsvp will be entered into a giveaway drawing!





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TEMPORARY OFFICE CLOSURE

Our office continues to be closed for several weeks for facilities repairs.

Staff will be working from home. Please note current contact information.

For Pat Underwood, NRCS Partner affiliate, call 502-732-6098 x3400 or Patrick.underwood@usda.gov
For Elizabeth Mefford, CCCD Admin, call 502-732-6098 x3391 or carrollcountycd@gmail.com

We appreciate your patience and look forward to returning after repairs are completed.

Program Updates

Kentucky State Cost Share

State Cost Share program applications are available and accepted during business hours. Please contact us for assistance.

EQIP/CSP

New applications for program year '27 are being accepted continuously. Schedule a visit with our Conservation Technician.

CAIP & YAIP

Applications to administer the 2026 CAIP and YAIP programs have been approved by the Carroll County Ag Development Council and sent to the Kentucky Office of Ag Policy. Upon approval at the state level, program is expected to begin early June. The CAIP and YAIP programs will run concurrently again this year. Landowners: a current KY Ag Water Quality Plan is required to be eligible to apply. Watch for information about the informational meeting and application period dates!



Did you know?

KY Fish & Wildlife has a webpage where Kentucky landowners can find conservation related services and vendors alike. If you offer landowner services, you can register your business to display in the directory! Please scan the QR code to visit the page.



Local Work Group Meeting

Calling all conservation stakeholders!! Make your voice heard through this discussion forum regarding conservation priorities, USDA Farm Bill programs, and recommendations for future conservation initiatives. We look forward to hearing your perspective! To learn more, please reach out to us via phone or email!
June 1, 2026 - Campbell County (time and location TBD)



Ask us about outreach opportunities for your classroom or organization!



Upcoming Events

Please visit <https://carrollcountycd.com/upcoming-events> to see a full list of opportunities.

- Backyard Poultry Nutrition - May 14 7pm @ Extension Office
- Tick Bite Prevention - May 19 6pm @ Extension Office
- Carroll Co. Fair begins - May 30
- OAK event: Organic Poultry and Sheep - June 1 9am-12pm @ Elnwood Stock Farm, Georgetown, KY
- OAK event: Blooms, Bees, & Biodiversity - July 7 9am-12pm @ KSU Benton Research Farm



CCCD Program Spotlight Deceased Animal Composting

CCCD has funds to assist producers with the composting of deceased livestock on their land. To receive payment, landowners can submit separate photos of animal and compost pile with the date displayed. Must be submitted within 30 days of mortality. For animals greater than 300#, reimbursement will be \$75. For animals less than 300#, reimburseme will be \$50. Random site inspections may be performed. To learn more, or submit an application, please click [this link](#)

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Annual Tree Seedling Giveaway



Art & Writing Banquet

Enjoy photos from our recent events!



Sellers Community Garden Dedication



Earth Day Celebration