



SUMMIT
SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

ELECTION ISSUE

AUGUST 2023

Election Notice

The Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Commission will cause an election of Supervisors of the Summit County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) to be held in accordance with Chapter 940 of the Ohio Revised Code. Individuals who own or occupy land within the Summit County Soil and Water Conservation District and are 18 years of age or older may vote for Supervisor.

There are three ways an eligible voter can cast a ballot:

1.) At the SWCD office, 1180 S. Main Street, STE 230, Akron, OH 44301, from 8/23/2023 until 9/20/2023 during normal business hours (7:30 AM to 4:00 PM); or

2.) Voting at the SWCD Annual Meeting, which will take place at Sarah's Vineyard, 1204 W. Steels Corners Road, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223 on 9/21/2023 from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM ; or

3.) Voting absentee from 8/23/2023 until 9/21/2023, by requesting the ballot application and election ballot from the SWCD office at the following address 1180 South Main Street, STE 230, Akron, Ohio 44301, by calling 330-926-2445, or emailing staff@summitoh.net. Absentee ballots must be received by the SWCD office before 9/21/2023 at 8:00 AM.

Note: Voters can only pick up absentee ballots for themselves and household members living at the same address.

Two supervisors will be elected to a three-year term commencing January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026. Nominees are Andrew Brown, Erin Mundorf, and Gregory F. Zimmerman.



ERIN MUNDORF

Ms. Erin Mundorf is a water resources engineer whose background in both ecological engineering and environmental science contribute to her ability to see a project through initial fieldwork and design to construction oversight and monitoring.

She has worked for public and private entities at the City and state levels in watershed management as well as a science and environmental educator. Her passion for combining environmental education with restorative design makes her a part of successful restoration projects.



ANDREW BROWN

I am a 46-year-old father of two, Theoren (19) and Gehrig (17) and I have been married to my wife, Deniele, for 23 years.

In 1999 I graduated Summa Cum Laude from Kent State University with a Bachelor's of Science in Biology. During my time there I worked in the Biochemical Limnology lab under Dr. Robert Heath on several projects that dealt with phosphorus limitations in Lake Erie and its effects on algal blooms.

After graduation I worked for Envisage Environmental in Brecksville as an air quality consultant. On the side I was earning money as a tutor for high school sciences. This is where I found what I really wanted to do. In 2001 I received my Masters in the Art of Teaching from Kent State, and began working for Crestwood Local Schools shortly thereafter as a Biology teacher.

In the past 22 years, I have worked to expand the offerings at Crestwood High School, developing 3 different experiential courses, Field Biology, Applied Environmental Sciences, and most recently, Horticulture. In the first two of those courses, students can take and receive college credit from Hiram College. In addition, I manage a 20x40 aquaponic greenhouse built through funds raised by my students, where students can experiment with different sustainable agricultural techniques.

In the past, I have advised two state-qualifying Envirothon teams, the first in Portage County history. In 2017, the team brought home a championship for oral presentation. In my free time, I play in two men's baseball leagues, based out of Canton. I am interested in becoming more active in local environmental issues and would very much like to be a member of the board.



GREG ZIMMERMAN

Mr. Zimmerman is an Aquatic Ecologist with 28 years of professional experience in Northeast Ohio and across the U.S., and he has been a resident of Summit County since 2011. He has a B.S in Environmental Biology from Hiram College, a master's degree in Environmental Biology/Geographic Information Systems (GIS) from Kent State University, and an Association of Diving Contractors International commercial diving certification.

Greg is the Vice President of EnviroScience, Inc. (based in Summit County) and oversees and manages the operations of the company he has been with for 26 years. He focuses on transportation (road, highway, rail, and river shipping/fleeting), and large, multitask projects where natural resources, endangered species and/or water quality need to be considered.

He has 27 years of experience with environmental permitting and Section 7 Endangered Species surveys and formal/informal consultations and NEPA support. He also has experience in remote sensing / GIS studies of watersheds to support water quality studies and models.

He has designed and managed some of the largest T&E species survey and mitigation projects completed to date in the U.S., including the PennDOT mussel programmatic agreement and PennDOT Hunter Station Bridge Replacement which included year-long stormwater and water quality monitoring components (winning PA Governor's Award), and 11 years working on Florida's U.S. Supreme Court water rights litigation for the Apalachicola River watershed. Additionally, he has managed over 20 Biological Assessments and more than 100 supporting studies for projects such as the ODOT Portsmouth Bypass, ODOT Western Management Unit Bat Mitigation, and a current ODOT statewide stream and wetland mitigation contract.

He has worked as an associate instructor for Hiram College and is a reviewer for The Ohio Journal of Science. When he is not working or spending time with his wife Courtney and their two young boys, you can usually find him fishing for giant musky or at a Blossom concert.



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Mission Statement:

Summit SWCD provides leadership and advocates for the stewardship of our natural resources and responsible land use through the provision of education, technical assistance, and partnerships in Summit County.

The Summit SWCD is an independent division of the Ohio Department of Agriculture and is funded by the State of Ohio, the Summit County Council, and the Summit County Communities for Clean Stormwater.

In order to provide equal employment opportunities to all individuals, employment decisions in the District will be based on merit, qualifications, and abilities. The Summit Soil and Water Conservation District does not discriminate in employment opportunities or practices on the basis of race, color, sex, age, religion, national origin, ancestry, veteran status, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or any other characteristic to the extent protected by law.

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