

Agriculture Division

The Anne Arundel Soil Conservation District's Agricultural Services Division provides information and guidance to agricultural landowners in order to protect soil and water resources.

Did you know? Your conservation plan expires every 10 years — find out if it's time to update your plan.



4,199.5

NEW ACRES IN 2020

In 2020, 43 new Conservation Plans amounted to 4,199.5 new acres across Anne Arundel county.



\$400,858.00

STATE & FEDERAL COST SHARE FUNDING

More than \$400,000 was invested on Anne Arundel county farms through state and federal cost share programs to increase soil and water health.

43 NEW PLANS

AASCD prepared 43 new Conservation Plans in 2020.

35 BMPS INSTALLED

AASCD installed a total of 35 new best management practices in 2020.

529 ACTIVE FARM PLANS

As of 2020, AASCD has a total of 529 active farm plans.

27 COOPERATORS ENROLLED

Twenty seven AASCD cooperators enrolled in the Maryland Cover

Urban Division

The AASCD's Urban Division plays a vital role in the conservation of soils and in improving water quality by reviewing and approving sediment and erosion control plans for construction activity throughout Anne Arundel County and the City of Annapolis.



URBAN DIVISION BY THE NUMBERS

- **Total Submitted Plans: 2,103**
- **Sediment & Erosion Control: 1,035**
- **Mining Plans: 4**
- **Other: 1,063**
- **Average Review Time: 7.4 days**

We review grading plans that show the disturbance, proposed grades and sediment control practices to prevent erosion and sediment laden runoff from leaving the construction site and flowing into the tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay. Our district reviews more than 2,000 submittals every year, which range from the early planning stages of subdivisions to sediment and erosion control plans for single family dwellings, residential subdivisions, commercial, industrial, mining, landfills, forest harvest, stream restorations, pond retrofits, capital and state projects, along with various modifications and variances. When time allows, the AASCD Urban Team also offers guidance to help resolve issues homeowners may have with erosion or drainage on their own property, which includes slope subsidence and shoreline stabilization.