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The National Association of Resource Conservation & Development Councils Announces Award to Pineywoods RC&D Council

The National Association of Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Councils is pleased to announce that Pineywoods RC&D Council of Nacogdoches, Texas has been reauthorized as an enhanced (Tier II) member of the National Association's Circle of Diamonds program, thus maintaining its elite status as one of approximately 25 RC&D Councils (out of 375 nationwide) to have qualified for enhanced membership.

By earning reauthorization, the Pineywoods RC&D Council has clearly confirmed its ability to adhere to the high standards necessary for enhanced membership. It follows an array of governance, personnel, financial management, and planning policies and practices that ensure its effective action and transparent and honest administration.

These policies and practices make it a model for its fellow RC&D Councils and for other nonprofit organizations that strive to serve their communities and be good stewards of the resources entrusted to them by their partners and communities.

The National Association of RC&D Councils heartily congratulates Pineywoods RC&D Council on this well-deserved honor.

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The NARC&DC represents America's Resource Conservation and Development Councils, non-profit organizations that work to protect natural resources and develop rural economies. RC&D Councils are grassroots organizations comprised of community members and local government representatives. They deliver resource conservation and community development assistance throughout rural America, including soil and water quality projects, job creation programs, and renewable energy assistance.