**RESOLUTION 2020-09**

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| **SHORT TITLE:** WACD Member Services Review |

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| **SPONSOR CD:** Pierce Conservation District |

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| **AREA:** X NW 🞏SW 🞏NC 🞏SC 🞏NE 🞏SE |

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| **RESOLUTION TYPE:**  🞏 **Policy**  🞏 **Position Statement**  🞏 **Recognition**  X **Study** |

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| **RESOLUTION ACTION AGENCY** (check any option that applies):  X **WACD**  **🞏 WSCC**  **🞏 OTHER STATE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **🞏 NRCS**  **🞏 NACD**  **🞏 NON-STATE/FEDERAL PARTNER \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |

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| **BACKGROUND/PROBLEM STATEMENT:** The major limiting factor for CDs to deliver more services to constituents and increase its impact on-the-ground is consistent and sustainable funding. Financial resources are available through local, state and national public sources along with family foundations, corporations and other sources. However, it takes time and expertise to research funding opportunities and develop successful proposals. CDs could explore a shared grant writer option through the Association or possibly other means – sharing human resources similar to how engineer services are provided to most districts. There could be other shared services WACD could/should provide. A review of Association services with the membership would be a productive exercise and brought back to the WACD management and staff for review. |

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| **PROPOSED RESOLUTION LANGUAGE:** WACD to engage the Association’s membership to understand the possible need for more shared services resources or different services resources from the Association and then research ways of providing important support to conservation districts. |

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| **TYPE OF TEXT OF RESOLUTION** (check all boxes that apply):  🞏 Technical (changes address grammar, punctuation, sentence flow and makes **NO** substantive change(s) to the existing policy.  🞏 Substantive change to existing policy. If in doubt, check the box.  🞏 New policy. |

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| **IS THERE A BUDGET IMPLICATION TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY?**  🞏 **NO**  X **YES** (briefly explain): Unsure if WACD staff have the capacity to take this on in 2021. |