



## **Get involved with your local Soil and Water Conservation District**

***Are you interested in water quality, wildlife habitat, soil health, or invasive weed control?***

***Is the conservation of our shared natural resources important to you?***

***Consider running for a seat on the Clackamas Soil and Water Conservation District Board.***

### **Tell me about being a District Board Director?**

#### **District board directors:**

- Plan for the District's future, on a long-term and short-term basis.
- Ensure financial accountability to funders, contract holders, and the taxpayers.
- Oversee annual budget development and approval, and ongoing budget review.
- Provide oversight of District assets, including real estate and other investments.
- Ensure the District's programs and services appropriately address community/constituent needs.
- Promote the District to the public and represent the District to the community.
- Promote partnerships with other organizations, including other districts, agencies, etc.
- Set the District's position on legislative and rulemaking matters.
- Approve contracts for professional services required by and for the Board.
- Determine organizational policy and provides policy oversight.
- Commit to 5 to 8 hours per month.

***To be a Zone Director you must reside within the Zone you wish to represent  
and be a registered voter in Clackamas County.***

***To be an At-Large Director you must reside and be a registered voter in Clackamas County.***

### **What is a Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD)?**

**SWCDs** were formed in 1939 in response to the Dust Bowl. They provided the connection between federal assistance through the Soil Conservation Service (now the Natural Resource Conservation Service) and local land managers.

Clackamas SWCD continues to provide technical assistance to land managers in rural as well as urban areas. Funding for Clackamas SWCD is primarily taxpayer dollars, but we leverage those dollars to protect our shared natural resources. Oversight is provided by a locally elected board.

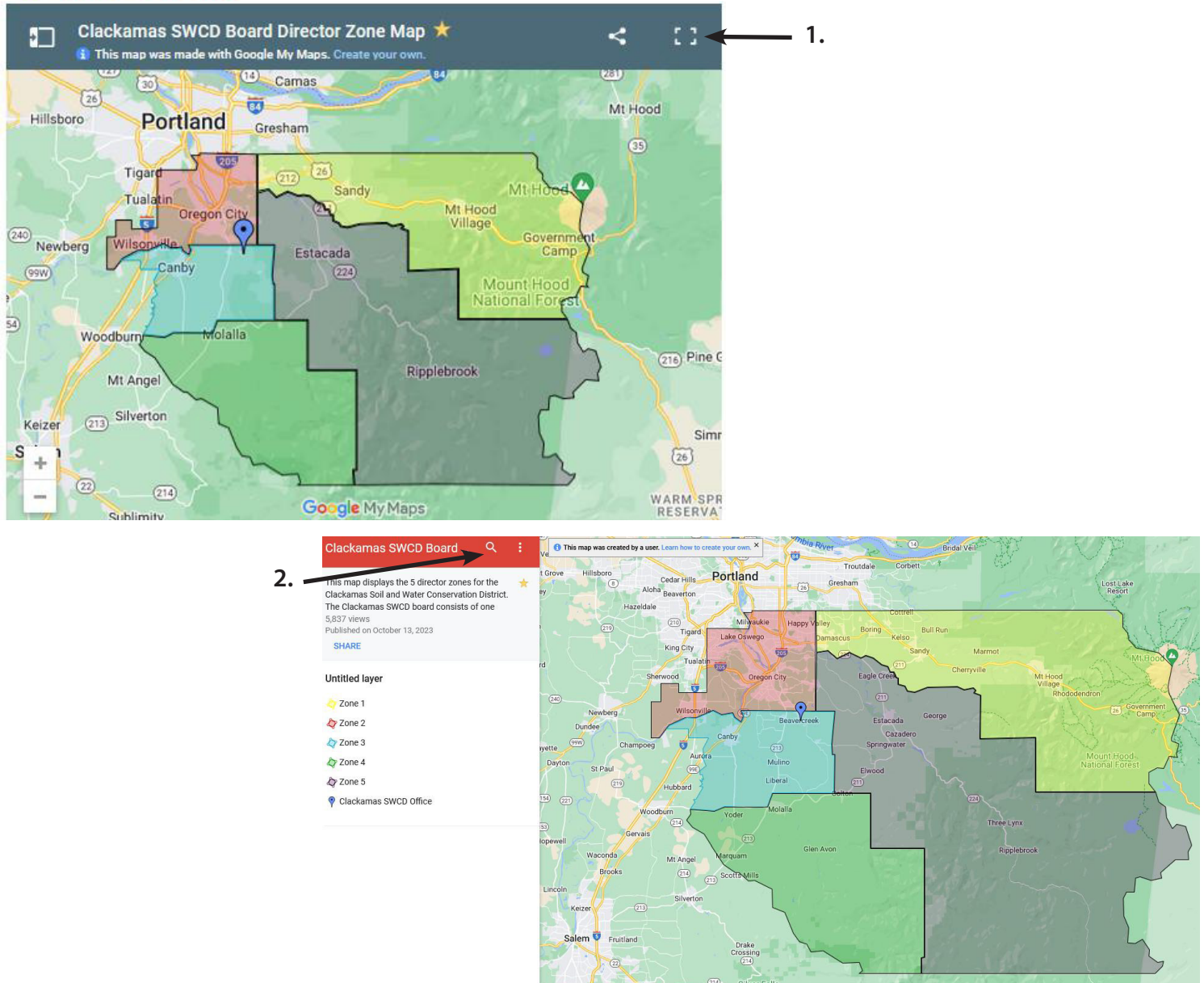
Our non-regulatory nature and long history of working with both private and public landowners and other valued partners help us build trust throughout the community.

## In which District Zone do I live?

An interactive map on our website will help you find your District Zone. **1.** Click on the map, in the top right corner click to make the map larger. **2.** Then click on the magnifying glass on the top left to find a screen that lets you type in your home address. A marker will show your location and in which zone you reside.

Go to: <https://conservationdistrict.org/about/directors>

### Interactive zone map



## How do I run for a District Director position?

The **2024 Candidate Packet for SWCD Directors** is on the Oregon Department of Agriculture website.

<https://www.oregon.gov/ODA> Type "SWCD elections" in the search bar or use the QR code.

All forms, instructions, and deadlines may be found in the packet.

Candidates must submit their forms between **July 18, 2024** and **August 27, 2024**.

**In 2024, Clackamas Director Zones 2, 3, and 4 will be on the ballot.**

