



WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

**Resolution 2019-08** Improving Association & District Governance Processes

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**AREA:** NW SW NC SC NE SE

**RESOLUTION TYPE:**

- Policy
- Position Statement
- Recognition
- Study

**RESOLUTION ACTION AGENCY**

- WACD
- WSCC
- OTHER STAGE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_
- NRCS
- NACD
- NON-STATE/FEDERAL PARTNER \_\_\_\_\_

**BACKGROUND/PROBLEM STATEMENT:**

A "system" of board governance is a requirement for an effective, well-functioning organization. However, WACD and many districts do not possess a full complement of policies that are necessary to comprise a coherent system. Both could benefit in terms of effectiveness, consistency and reputation by adopting an integrated set of governance policies and procedures. By selecting a system from among the various models of governance that would be appropriate for its structure and then actively working to implement it, WACD could exhibit great leadership. Many CDs would similarly like to improve their systems of governance.

**RESOLUTION LANGUAGE:**

The WACD Board shall identify an effective model of governance and work to implement it completely. Further, WACD shall advocate to the WSCC that it supports all districts interested in improving district governance and additionally provide continuing education to supervisors and managers in its implementation to attain and maintain a high level of competency and performance.

**TYPE OF TEXT OF RESOLUTION**

- 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.

**IS THERE A BUDGET IMPLICATION TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY?**

- NO
- YES (briefly explain): WACD may have to expend funds to hire a consultant.