

## **GUIDELINES FOR KACD'S DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND RESOLUTION COMMITTEE**

In order to strengthen the member districts of KACD and their association, the District Operations and Resolutions Committee will perform its duties within the guidelines approved by the association.

The District Operations and Resolutions Committee will assist the association in its efforts to:

- 1 Seek long-term federal, state and local funding commitment at an adequate level for conservation practices and technical assistance to meet our environmental needs.
- 2 Encourage and promote planning and application of conservation measures for all land use in Kansas and should be the primary mission of conservation districts. All land should be under some acceptable form of conservation treatment.
- 3 Seek to have conservation districts recognized as the logical entity through which resource agencies can initiate and carry out many of their action programs.
- 4 Recognize that conservation districts require a somewhat different set of talents and promote programs that allow districts to employ staff specialists over whom they have control and supervision.
- 5 Encourage conservation districts to be more directly involved in programs that not only meet the basic needs of farmers and other land users, but also satisfy community development needs and provide a framework for greater public participation.
- 6 Create partnerships to implement conservation strategies.

The District Operations and Resolutions Committee will:

- 1 Review all resolutions submitted to the association by its member districts and ensure they are formatted to the standards of the association and make recommendations as to which KACD committee the resolution will be assigned.
- 2 Educate the association's membership on its resolution process and assist member districts in submitting and writing resolutions to ensure they are formatted properly.
- 3 Review resolutions and issues brought before the District Operations and Resolutions Committee and make recommendations.
- 4 Educate conservation district officials on duties of office and responsibilities of conservation districts.
- 5 Facilitate funding for district operations.
- 6 Assist conservation districts to develop programs and seek funding to implement projects on watershed basis.
- 7 Develop programs to make conservation districts stronger to serve their customers better.
- 8 Encourage conservation districts to become involved in local projects.
- 9 Assist local conservation districts in conservation education for elected officials to insure long term funding for conservation.