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## **PRESS RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **The National Association of Resource Conservation & Development Councils Announces Award to Five Rivers RC&D Council**

The National Association of RC&D Councils (NARC&DC) is very pleased to announce that Five Rivers Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council of Tecumseh, Nebraska has been granted Premier level membership in the National Association's Circle of Diamonds program, thus becoming just the fifth RC&D Council out of 375 to qualify for this elite status.

The NARC&DC Circle of Diamonds program is a proactive means for RC&D Councils to demonstrate that they are complying with all legal requirements and are implementing best non-profit management practices. The program has three tiers or levels: Basic, Enhanced, and Premier level membership. Five Rivers RC&D Council has clearly demonstrated its ability to adhere to the highest standards of governance and administration and its effectiveness in public outreach and partnership management. The RC&D Council's policies and practices, as well as its inspiring vision for the future of its community, make it a model for all of us who strive to faithfully serve our communities and be good stewards of the resources entrusted to us.

The National Association of RC&D Councils heartily congratulates Five Rivers 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.