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## Susquehanna County Commissioner MaryAnn Warren Becomes New PACD President

*(Harrisburg, PA)* – The Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts, Inc. (PACD) is pleased to announce that MaryAnn Warren assumed the position of PACD President beginning January 1, 2010. This announcement follows the resignation of Dr. Irvil Kear as President, whose term as director in Schuylkill County expired on December 31, 2009, making her ineligible to complete her Presidential term.

Ms. Warren has been active in the PACD organization since 2004 when she became the Susquehanna County Conservation District Commissioner Director, most recently serving as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President. In addition to her duties as PACD President, Ms. Warren is a Susquehanna County Commissioner, a position she has held since 2004. She is also a Commissioner for the State Conservation Commission, a 14-member commission that has a primary mission to ensure the wise use of Pennsylvania's natural resources and to protect and restore the natural environment through the conservation of its soil water and related resources. Ms. Warren also serves as director/treasurer for the Lackawanna/Susquehanna Mental Health/Mental Retardation, director/secretary for NEPA Community Health Care, a director/vice-chair for Endless Mountains Resource Conservation and Development, and a director for the Pratt Memorial Library.

“I am looking forward to serving as President of PACD,” Warren stated. “Leading an organization whose purpose is to support, enhance and promote Pennsylvania’s Conservation Districts as they continue their efforts to sustain, protect and restore the Commonwealth’s natural resources is a challenge and I am grateful for the opportunity to



serve in this capacity.”

PACD also thanks Dr. Kear for all of her years of service as Schuylkill County Director and various leadership roles within PACD.

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