

Tioga County Conservation District Holds Women in Agriculture Event



Participants in the 2014 Tioga County Women in Agriculture event built rain barrels.

Thirty-four women attended the Tioga County Women in Agriculture event, held by the Tioga County Conservation District (TCCD) in March. Topics included rain barrels and rain gardens, soil health, seed starting and season extenders and manure management.

"The Tioga County Women in Agriculture event was successful in reaching a community of people in which we have been working to increase participation. In reading our evaluations it was clear that the participating women came away with a greater understanding of Nonpoint Source Pollution in general, as well as greater knowledge of rain gardens and rain barrels, business planning, available programs, home energy efficiency, and soil health. The women also commented that they were likely to implement no-till/cover crop practices both farm wide and in their personal gardens and were very excited to receive and use their rain barrels," said Erica Tomlinson, TCCD Manager.

Financial and other support for this project was provided by the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts, Inc. through a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act, administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

