



NACD North Central Region Partners' Meeting

January 13 - 14, 2026 • Indianapolis, IN

The NACD North Central Region will be holding the winter meeting in Indianapolis, January 13 – 14, 2026 at the Drury Plaza Hotel Indianapolis Carmel, 9625 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46290.

Attendees

NACD invites all conservation partners and their membership within the NACD North Central Region to attend the meeting. The region's standard conservation partners include:

- National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD/SWCDs) – local, state, regional, and national board members and employees
- Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) – local, state, and regional, and national employees
- National Conservation District Employees Association (NCDEA) – local, state, regional, and national members
- National Association of State Conservation Agencies (NASCA) – state, regional, and national members
- National Association of Resource Conservation Development Councils (NARCDC) – local, state and national members
- US Fish and Wildlife Service – state, regional, and national staff.
- US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 5 and Region 7 Ag Advisors and others.

We welcome additional conservation-minded partners and attendees to participate – just be sure to notify [Beth Mason](#) at beth-mason@nacdn.net.

There will be no virtual option for attendees or speakers.

Location

Drury Plaza Hotel Indianapolis Carmel, 9625 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46290

Reservations: Hotel rooms can be reserved online at [this link](#) – please be sure to adjust the dates to reflect your actual stay. Reservations may also be made by calling **1-800-325-0720** and referring to your group number **10152069**.

Rooms will be available on the nights of January 12 and January 13 for a rate of \$130 per night + tax. Parking is free.

The room block expires on December 11. At that time, the special rate or room availability can no longer be guaranteed, however, the hotel can still make reservations if the rooms are available.

Amenities for overnight guests:

- Complimentary hot breakfast (for overnight guests)
- Complimentary “5:30 pm Kickback” (like a happy hour) – includes snacks and alcoholic beverages (for overnight guests)
- Complimentary wireless internet in all guest rooms
- Indoor pool
- Fitness Center
- Business center

Meeting Registration

There is NO REGISTRATION FEE for this meeting – as the North Central Region Board of Directors and State Associations are covering the cost through their annual collection of region dues. However, we will need the attached registration form filled out and returned to plan for catering, room setup, handouts, and evening event participation. ***You may also just email the requested information to beth-mason@nacdnnet.org in lieu of the form.***

Air Travel/Transportation

Attendees can fly into the Indianapolis International Airport (IND) and take a taxi/Uber/Lyft to the hotel which is 26 miles away.

Potential for Partner Meetings

If any attendees would like to have breakout meetings with your association or agencies, on the front or back end of this meeting, please contact Beth Mason for some options and to make sure we have any additional rooms secured in the room block to accommodate any extra evenings that might be required.

Arriving early for a restaurant group lunch on January 13 or staying a little later January 14 for a restaurant group lunch can be a way to squeeze in some dedicated time for discussion, planning, and networking.

Local Attractions

This north Indianapolis location has a variety of dining, socializing, and visitor-friendly options nearby or drive straight south into downtown Indianapolis for more!

For more information

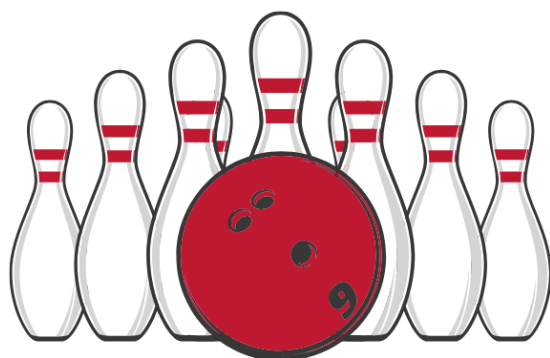
Please contact Beth Mason, NACD at beth-mason@nacdnnet.org or (317) 946-4463 (office and cell).

Bowling and BBQ hosted by Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (IASWCD)

Come out for a BBQ dinner and bowling on Tuesday evening, January 13! After a day of travel, strategizing, education, and networking, come unwind at **Royal Pin Bowling** (3421 E. 96th St., Indianapolis, IN 46240) from **6:00 pm – 9:00 pm**. Cash bar, reserved alleys, free shoe rental.

Menu: BBQ Pulled Pork or BBQ Pulled Chicken, buns; Mac & Cheese; French-style green beans; Kettle chips; Salad; Unlimited soda; Dessert

Please check the box on your registration form to RSVP.



IASWCD invites you to

BBQ & BOWLING!

**RSVP
REQUESTED!**

TUES | JAN. 13 | 6 - 9 PM

CASH BAR

ROYAL PIN BOWLING
3421 E. 96th St., Indianapolis, IN 46240

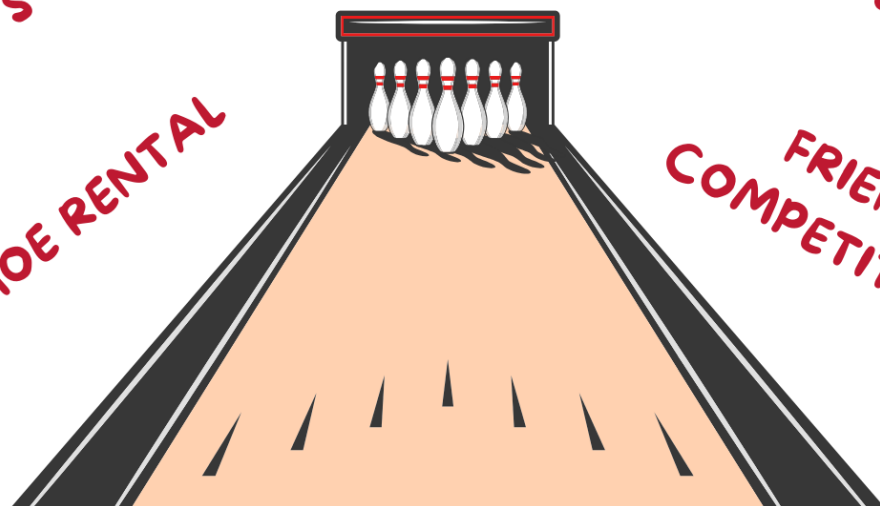
**RESERVED
ALLEYS**

RSVP: beth-mason@nacdnet.org

**DINNER &
DESSERT**

FREE SHOE RENTAL

**FRIENDLY
COMPETITION???**



Draft Agenda

The program agenda is still under development and timeslots are still fluid. As the agenda develops, updates will be made. All times are approximate.

Tuesday, January 13

- 1:00 pm** Welcome/Introductions
- Partner Spotlight: RC&D Councils (invited)
- North Central Region Workplan
- USDA NRCS Updates
- Regional Hubs
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- Resolutions
- 5:00 pm** Approximate time to end
- 6:00 pm** Dinner and Bowling at Royal Pin Bowling

Friday, January 10

The hotel provides a complimentary hot breakfast for overnight guests.

- 7:45 am** **Coffee and Networking**
Coffee will be available in the room.
- 8:00 am** Meeting begins
- Approval of Minutes
- NACD North Central Region Financial update and Region Scholarship update/discussion
- NACD Region MOA discussion/ratification
- Region Elections
- Region Chair
 - Region Vice Chair
- Region Partner Updates/Reports
- RC&D Councils
 - USFWS
 - NASCA
 - NCDEA
 - EPA
 - NRCS State Conservationists

11:30 am Approximate time to end

(Because many items require discussion, times may vary, and we schedule this meeting to end no later than 12:00 pm)

Registration (Due December 19)

You may send this information in the text of an email to beth-mason@nacdnet.org if that works better for you.

INDIVIDUAL ATTENDING THE MEETING

Name _____
Organization/ _____
Agency _____
Title _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
E-mail _____ Cell # _____



RSVP for Dinner and Bowling at Royal Pin Bowling on January 13 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm
☐ Yes ☐ No

By sending in your registration, you will:

- Reserve your seat at the meeting
- Receive all associated meeting materials
- Be notified if there’s a weather emergency at the location (there’s always a chance in the winter!)

To register and for questions/more information, please contact Beth Mason, NACD at 317-946-4463 (cell/office) or beth-mason@nacdnet.org.