



# Conservation Highlights

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Cayuga County SWCD  
7413 County House Rd.  
Auburn, NY 13021

## Special events:

- MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS—2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 10:00 AM
- CONSERVATION FIELD DAYS—SEPTEMBER 19TH AND 20TH 2017 AT EMERSON PARK
- COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY—OCT. 9TH—OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
- HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY—OCT. 21ST 2017.
- VETERAN'S DAY—NOV. 10TH—OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
- THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY—NOV. 23RD -24TH—OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

## Cayuga View Farm



As part of the AgNPS grant program, a Covered Heavy Use Area and Covered Manure Storage Structure were installed at Cayuga View Farm. This system, paired with a prescribed rotational grazing system will allow for optimal management of a pastured beef operation and reduce nutrient and sediment runoff to Cayuga Lake. The Covered Heavy Use Area will allow the farm to pull animals off pasture during the winter and prevent abuse areas where nutrient and sediment runoff could occur.



## VansRidge Dairy, LLC

At VansRidge Dairy, a total containment leachate collection system was installed to eliminate nutrient runoff from feed storage areas through the AgNPS grant program. The system consisted of a 2 million gallon storage structure that is lined with a HDPE synthetic liner, as well as a transfer system that will allow the farm to utilize the rain water that is collected in the system to minimize the freshwater used on the farm to separate manure solids and sand bedding.



*Photo taken by the drone owned by the District.*

## Fessenden Dairy, LLC



Under the AgNPS grant program, three water and sediment control basins (WASCOB) were installed at Fessenden Dairy, LLC. to help control field gully erosion that was occurring on a steep slope uphill of Cayuga Lake. This project was completed in conjunction with NRCS. The purpose of the basins is to break up the slope length and slow the water as it moves down the hill. The basins are also equipped with a standpipe and underground outlet to slowly release the water and provide a stable outlet for it. The basins were constructed by All Seasons Excavation and hydroseeding of the project was completed by Cayuga County SWCD.



### Recycling Event Dates

**Household Hazardous  
Waste Drop-Off Event**  
Saturday, Oct. 21, 2017  
Registration Required  
Please call 255-1183

**America Recycles Day**  
Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017  
Held at City of Auburn  
Landfill—311 N. Division  
St., Auburn, NY

## Creek Road Stabilization Project

This September, the Cayuga County SWCD completed a large streambank stabilization project on Little Salmon Creek for the Town of Genoa Highway Department. The existing streambank was eroding under heavy storm flows and was starting to undermine Creek Rd. The project was completed to both maintain safety on the road, and reduce the amount of sediment loading to Cayuga Lake. The bank was built up and stabilized with limestone rock and rock weirs were installed in the channel to help control stream current during storm events.

