

AWARDS

State District of the Year

The Haywood Soil and Water Conservation District was recognized as the 2003 State District of the Year during the annual meeting of the North Carolina Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. The award, sponsored by Syngent and the National Association of Conservation Districts, stated that Haywood SWCD had developed “An Outstanding Conservation Education Program Emphasizing Sound Management of our Natural Resources.”



Haywood SWCD Supervisors and staff accept the District of the Year Award: L-R, Bill Yarborough, Lynne Newton, Kila Thompson, Leslie Smathers, James Ferguson, NC Association of Conservation Districts President Jimmy Mason, Barry Stevens and Gail Heathman. Not present: Supervisors Carlyle Ferguson, Ellene Francis and Bob Cathey.



National Award!

James Ferguson, a well known figure in the world of Soil and Water Conservation, was awarded the title of “2004 National Conservation District Board Member” during the National Association of Conservation Districts Annual Meeting in Hawaii. James has served 34 years on the Board of Supervisors for Haywood SWCD. He also is the Governor-appointed Chairman of the North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission, Chairman of the Haywood Community College Board of Directors and has an extensive background of service on a variety of other boards throughout the county and state.