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Candidates needed for the Cane Creek and Little Lynches Watershed Boards' in the 2022 General Election

Voters in Lancaster County will elect four Watershed Directors in the November 2022 General Election, two for Cane Creek Watershed District and two for Little Lynches Watershed District.

Watershed Districts in Lancaster County oversee the maintenance and operation of five large flood-control dams that protect the City of Lancaster and the Town of Kershaw. These five dams were built in the 1970's to lessen flooding downstream, catch sediment coming from upstream and provide drinking water and water for fire control in emergencies.

Four of the dams are overseen by the Cane Creek Watershed Board and one is overseen by the Little Lynches Watershed Board.

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Watershed Directors must be registered voters and live in the watershed district. They serve four-year terms. They receive no salary or other compensation and are elected on a non-partisan basis.

To be placed on the ballot for election a Statement of Intention of Candidacy form must be filed with the County Election Commission office by noon, August 15, 2022. If the watershed district lies in multiple counties, the Statement of Intention of Candidacy form must be filed with the State Election Commission in Columbia. Cane Creek Watershed Board candidates will submit their forms to the Lancaster County Election Commission Office and the Little Lynches Watershed Board candidates will submit their forms to the State Election Commission. Candidates must also file forms on the SC Ethics Commission website when running for an election position. If there are any questions about the election process, please call the Lancaster County Voter's Registration Office at 803-285-2969.

"Our directors serve on the Watershed Boards because they want to serve their communities. Anyone who wants to run for Director should have an interest in learning about the flood-control lakes and their benefits to the county," said Amanda Roberts, Administrative Assistant to the Cane Creek and Little Lynches Watershed Boards.

"The time involved is minimal. Directors meet only about five to six times per year at the convenience of the Boards, and there is one day-long field tour of all five lakes to decide what maintenance must be done that year," said Roberts.

The watershed districts also work with Lancaster County to address soil and water issues in the watershed and prevent homes and other structures from being located next to the waterline in the lake where they will be flooded.

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For more information contact Amanda Roberts, Administrative Assistant to the Cane Creek and Little Lynches Watershed Boards at 803-286-4455, extension 100 or look at their website www.lancasterswcd.com flood control lakes page.

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