South Dakota Chapter is pleased to host

**SWCS Northwest Region Technical Meeting**

*June 16-18, 2015, in Pierre, South Dakota*

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**Tuesday June 16, 2015 – Pierre NRCS Field Support Office Conference Room**

4:00 – 5:00  South Dakota SWCS Chapter Meeting

**Tuesday June 16, 2015 – Best Western Ramkota Hotel in Pierre**

5:30 - ?  Informal Northwest Region SWCS Social (meet in bar)

**Wednesday June 17, 2015 – Best Western Ramkota Hotel in Pierre (Gallery Room D)**

8:00 – 9:30  Registration and Set up Silent Auction Items (All members are encouraged to bring items for the silent auction; each SWCS Chapter will receive the proceeds raised from their auction items)

9:30 – 9:45  Introduction and Logistics  
**Judith Schultz**  
South Dakota SWCS Chapter President

9:45 – 10:30  Measuring Soil Change with Different Management Systems  
**Jeff Hemenway**  
Soil Health Specialist, NRCS, Huron, SD

10:30 – 10:45  Break

10:45 – 11:15  History of the Oahe Dam  
**Eric Stasch**  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pierre, SD

11:15 – 12:00  Monitoring South Dakota’s Water Quality  
**Sean Kruger**  
Watershed Protection, DENR, Pierre, SD

12:00 – 1:00  Lunch *(provided)* with speaker  
**Barry Dunne**  
South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD

1:00 – 2:00  Environmental flows, morphology and Riparian Zone Characterization  
**Dr. Scott Kenner**  
SD School of Mines & Technology, Rapid City, SD

2:00 – 3:00  Saline and Sodic Soils: Understanding Differences and Management Solutions  
**Cheryl Reese**  
South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD

3:00 – 3:30  Break

3:30 – 4:30  Soil Health and Cropping Systems

4:30 – 5:00  South Dakota Agriculture

5:30 – 7:00  Cash Bar and Silent Auction Ends

7:00 – ?  SWCS Northwest Region Banquet with speaker  
**Brad Tennant**  
Professor of History, Presentation College, Aberdeen, SD

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Brad Tennant’s program was made possible by the South Dakota Humanities Council, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.
Thursday June 18, 2015 – Tour of the Dakota Lakes Research Farm

7:45- 8:00  Board Shuttles/Figure out Carpooling Arrangements Best Western Ramkota Hotel Lobby

8:30 – 12:00  Tour of the Dakota Lakes Research Farm (20 miles east of Pierre on Hwy 34. See map.)

Adjourn – Travel Home Safely and Thanks for Coming!
Registration Form

Name __________________________________________
Address ________________________________________
City, State ______________________________________
Telephone ________________________________
E-mail address ______________________________________

Full Registration Fee (includes lunch and dinner on June 17th) _______ (NO.) X $60.00 = ______________

Additional Meals (indicate number for spouses or individuals not attending the meeting):
Tuesday Lunch (Deli Buffet with 2 soups, assorted meats, cheeses, breads, vegetables, tossed salad, and other salads)
________ (NO.) X $11.50 = _____________

Tuesday Dinner (Western BBQ Buffet with roasted chicken, BBQ ribs, baked beans, potatoes, coleslaw, tossed salad, and corn bread)
________ (NO.) X $21.00 = _____________

TOTAL SUBMITTED = __________________________

For motel reservations: Best Western Ramkota Hotel; call 605-224-6877 and mention SWCS. There are 30 rooms reserved for June 16th and June 17th. Rooms are $109.99 /night. Federal Rate is $83.00/night. Mention the federal rate if you need it. Reservations must be made by May 17, 2015. M&IE in Pierre is $46.

Other nearby hotels:
Holiday Inn: 1-605-223-9045
AmericInn Lodge and Suites: 1-605-223-2358
Clubhouse Suites: 1-605-494-2582
Governor’s Inn: 1-605-224-4200
Days Inn: 1-605-224-0411

Mail registration and fees to: SWCS/Yvonne Haefner, 708 4th Ave W., Mobridge, SD 57601

Please RSVP or mail in your registration to Yvonne Haefner by May 5, 2015 if you plan to attend.
Email: yhaefner@midco.net

For more information, please contact Andy Oxford at 605-295-1578. Sponsored by the SD Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society, the SD Humanities Council, and the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.