

Voter Eligibility and Requirements

Resident

May cast one vote
18 years of age or older
Is a landowner or land occupier (lives in county)
May vote only once as a landowner or land occupier regardless of the number of parcels owned, leased or rented
Must register to vote (either through absentee voting process or at time and place of election)

Non-resident Landowner

May cast one vote in each county land is owned
18 years of age or older
File a notarized affidavit certifying land ownership prior to Registering to vote
Name must be listed on deed at County Records Office
May vote only once as a non-resident landowner regardless of number of parcels owned
Must register to vote (either through absentee voting process or at time and place of election)

Non-resident “Land Occupier”

May cast one vote in each county voter leases, rents, or is a tenant
18 years of age or older
File a notarized affidavit certifying “land occupier status” prior to registering to vote (example: verbal farm lease, should have canceled rent check or FSA document)
May vote only once as a “land occupier” regardless of the number of leases or properties rented.
Must register to vote (either through absentee voting process or at time and place of election)

Corporation or Firm

May cast one vote as ‘land owner’ or ‘land occupier’ regardless of number of parcels owned or leases held.
File a notarized affidavit verifying status of land ownership or land occupier status prior to registering to vote
Affidavit must identify a specific individual to cast the corporation’s vote
And signed by the appropriate corporate officer
Voter must be 18 years of age or older
Must register to vote (either through absentee voting process or at time and place of election)

Limited Liability Companies (LLC)

May cast one vote as “landowner” or “land occupier”.
LLC Officer or LLC designee may vote, but not members.
File a notarized affidavit certifying landownership or “land occupier Status ” prior to registering to vote
Affidavit must identify a specific individual to cast the LLC’s vote and be signed by the appropriate LLC officer
Voter must be 18 years of age or older
Must register to vote (either through absentee voting process or at time and place of election)

Trusts

May cast one vote as “landowner” “land occupier”.
Trustee or trustee designee may vote, but not beneficiary
Must file a notarized affidavit certifying landownership or “land occupier Status ” prior to registering to vote
Affidavit must identify a specific individual to cast the Trust’s vote and be signed by a Trustee
Voter must be 18 years of age or older
Must register to vote (either through absentee voting process or at time and place of election)

Situations where an individual might cast more than one vote in a SWCD election

Is a qualified	Resident Corporation designee – requires separate affidavit LLC designee – requires separate affidavit Trust designee – requires separate affidavit
Is a qualified	Non-resident landowner – affidavit required Non resident land occupier – separate affidavit required Corporation designee – separate affidavit required LLC Trustee – separate affidavit required LLC trustee designee - affidavit(s) required
Is a qualified	Non–resident land occupier – affidavit required Non-resident landowner – additional affidavit required Corporation designee – additional affidavit required LLC designee- additional affidavit required LLC trustee designee - affidavit(s) required