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NRCS selects new District Conservationist for Knox and Waldo Counties

BANGOR, Maine (Dec. 21, 2016) – The USDA’s Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) is pleased to announce the selection of Brittany Hummel as the District Conservationist for Knox and Waldo Counties.



NRCS-Maine District Conservationist Brittany Hummel

Hummel, who has served as a soil conservationist at the NRCS office in Belfast since August 2015, officially began there as the district conservationist on Dec. 12 and now leads the NRCS team serving agricultural producers and private landowners in the two counties. Hummel grew up in Southwest Minnesota, and developed an enduring fascination with nature - that led her toward a career in conservation.

Throughout high school she worked at Pipestone National Monument in Minnesota where she was instilled with a strong interest and reverence for the natural world. She obtained her undergraduate degree from the University of Minnesota where she double majored in Natural Resource Management and Environmental Policy & Law. She also received minors in Forest Resources and

American Indian Studies. During the summers, Brittany worked for the Inventory and Monitoring Division of the National Park Service in the Midwest Region.

Brittany received her Master of Science degree in Forest Resources from the University of Maine, Orono, in 2008. After graduate school, Brittany worked for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the Fish and Wildlife Service before joining the NRCS in Minnesota. She returned to Maine to work with NRCS in the Lewiston Field Office, and in August 2015 transferred to the NRCS field office in Belfast.

“In Belfast, Brittany has worked closely with a number of producers and really focuses on customer service above all,” NRCS-Maine State Resource Conservationist Tony Jenkins said. “She has worked very hard to service a backlog of contracts and really done a great job to coordinate NRCS staff and lots of diverse clients.”

Jenkins, who served as the acting district conservationist in Belfast earlier this year, added that Hummel has already been “very successful in catching up on pending projects and planning new ones” since her selection.

Hummel’s office is located at 46 Little River Dr. in Belfast. Her staff can be reached at (207) 338-1964.

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