All participants will receive a manual with additional resources on each of the topic areas covered.

For more information on the North Dakota Watershed Leadership Academy or to sign up for a training, contact Bruce Schmidt, NDSU Extension program coordinator, at bruce.schmidt@ndsu.edu or 701-328-9715.

Who should attend?
Soil Conservation District boards and employees, NRCS staff, Extension agents, County Water Resource board members, natural resource management students and others interested in water and conservation efforts.

Why attend?
To have a better understanding of watershed and conservation efforts as well as the leadership skills necessary to protect water quality for future generations.
How much time does the program take?

The program will include 14 hours of face-to-face educational programming in two separate sessions during a two-month period. Each training session will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where will the North Dakota Watershed Leadership Academy be held?

The program will be offered in 2018 in each of the five North Dakota Association of Soil Conservation Districts.

How much does it cost?

The cost of the two-day program is $55, which will cover food and any incidentals. A grant will cover all program materials for participants. Your local board or organization may be able to assist with registration costs.

What will be covered during the training?

Topic areas include:

- Basics of watershed hydrology
- Managing nutrients in watersheds
- Impacts of human activities on watersheds
- Roles and responsibilities in conservation, stewardship, watershed management
- Recognizing the components of an effective meeting
- Navigating conflict successfully
- Group facilitation and the role of citizens in watershed planning
- Project planning, management and monitoring at a watershed scale
- Managing human resources
- Recognizing current water and conservation issues in the state

Registration

Two-day sessions will be provided in Bismarck, Jamestown, Devils Lake, Minot and Dickinson, ND in 2018. The first two-day training session will be provided in Bismarck on January 17 and 31, 2018 at the ND Game and Fish Office, 100 N Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck from 9 AM to 4 PM.

Registration online (if using credit card) at: https://bitly.com.np/8qdP4

Registration can also be sent via mail (if sending a check) by completing the registration form below and sending to: Vicki Miller, 2718 Gateway Ave., Unit 304, Bismarck, ND 58503.

Name_________________________________________________________
Mailing address________________________________________________
City __________________________________________________________
State ___________ Zip ___________
Phone ___________________________ e-mail _______________________
Organization represented________________________________________

All registrations are due by January 10, 2018.