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Share Your Conservation Story and Win!

HARRISBURG, PA (July 9, 2012) -- Soybean farmers! Submit an application to be recognized for your outstanding soil and water conservation efforts as part of the Conservation Legacy Awards, co-sponsored by the soy checkoff, BASF, Monsanto, *Corn & Soybean Digest* and coordinated by the American Soybean Association (ASA). The awards program showcases U.S. soybean farmers' on-farm management practices demonstrating environmentally friendly and profitable conservation efforts.

Conservation Legacy Award winners will be selected based on:

- Soil Management
- Water Management
- Input Management
- Farmstead Protection
- Conservation and Environmental Management.

Awards will be given to farmers from three regions: Midwest, Northeast and South. The three winners will all receive expense-paid trips to the 2013 Commodity Classic in Kissimmee, Fla., where the national winner will be announced.

The Pennsylvania Soybean Board encourages Pennsylvania soybean farmers to register for the award by **August 6**. Visit the American Soybean Association or **click here** to download the 2013 Conservation Legacy Award application.

About the Pennsylvania Soybean Board

The <u>Pa. Soybean Board</u> is a farmer-controlled Board responsible for managing Pennsylvania's share of funds received from the nationwide Soybean Checkoff program. The funding is available under an assessment program, approved by Congress in 1990, under which soybean farmers contribute 50 cents of every \$100 they receive for their beans at the first point of sale. Funds are used to develop markets, educate consumers, and research new ways to utilize and produce soybeans more efficiently. The efforts of the checkoff are directed by the United Soybean Board, composed of 69 volunteer farmer-leaders who are appointed to the national board by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.