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Denise Coleman is the State Conservationist for the Pennsylvania Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and has been serving in this capacity since April 2010. She manages the overall technical and financial assistance operations for Pennsylvania with about 200 employees and 150 partnership staff who work to deliver conservation planning and practices on private lands throughout the state.

Denise began her career in natural resources conservation in 1992 with the Wyoming County Conservation District as an educational coordinator and Chesapeake Bay Watershed Assessment technician before coming to NRCS. Denise has worked for NRCS in a variety of Pennsylvania counties, including Columbia, Lackawanna, Wayne, Pike, Montour, and Wyoming. Before becoming State Conservationist, Denise was Chief of Staff for the Regional Conservationists at the NRCS National Office in Washington, DC. While in the National Office, Denise served in a variety of capacities as national Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program manager, Conservation Technical Assistance program manager, performance and budget coordinator, and Farm Bill liaison. In 2017, she served for 4 months as Acting Regional Conservationist for the Southeast, overseeing NRCS conservation programs and activities for the 11 southeast states and the Caribbean area.

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