

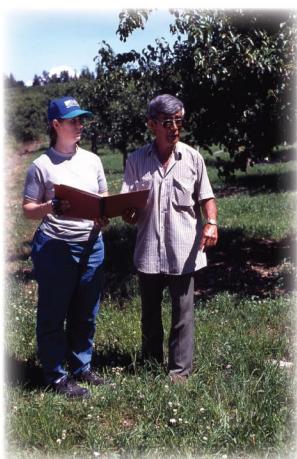
California Conservation Programs

Tej Kev Pabcuam Tsimkho Lajteb Thiab Kev Yug Tsiajtxhu nyob rau California.

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WHO IS THE NRCS? NRCS YOG LEEJTWG?

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) yog tseemfwv Asmeslivkas ib lubchaw ua-kam (agency) muab kev pabcuam rau tsoom tswvliaj tswvteb kom lawv tsimkho losyog tswj tau tej khoom txhiamlaj txhiam xws ntujtsim tebraug (natural resources) thiab tej dejcag nruabtiv (watersheds) kom huysi txhob muaj teebmeem. Lubchaw ua-kam (agency) no muab kev pabcuam kom haum rau ib tsoom tswvliaj tswv-av kom raws lawv siab nyiam thiab qhov lawv txaus siab yuavnpaj thiab pabcuam kom raug raws txaq kev cog qoobloo thiab tu tsiajtxhu uas vammeej (Science-based), muab kev sib koomtes thiab tuav xam nrog lwmleej lwmtus daws tej teebmeem nyob rau hauv cheebtsam tej zejzog.

Nyob rau California no nws muaj thajtsam li ob feem peb (2/3) ntawm cov av uas muaj tswv lawm yog siv cog qoobloo, cog zaubnyuj, thiab siv ua tshavzaub tso-tsiaj. Yog li cov tub ua haujlwm paub tab nyob rau NRCS (NRCS Soil Conservationists) thiaj li siv lawv lub sijhawm ntau los mus pab tuav tswvyim pabcuam cov tswvliaj tswv-av thiab tsoomneeg yug tsiajtxhu hais los no. Tsis tas li, lub koomtxoos no tseem muaj kev koomtes ntau heev nrog rau cov koomtxoos Resource Conservation Districts (RCD) thiab tsoom thawjcoj nyob rau ib cheebtsam tej zejzog txaq kev pabcuam no tibyam.

NRCS coj txaq kev pabcuam xwsli tswvyim/dagzog thiab nyiajtxiag mus pab tsimkho thiab tswj tej dejcag nruabtiv (watersheds) thiab lwmleej khoom txhiamlaj txhiamxws ntujtsim tebraug (natural resources) kom zoo.

WHAT IS A WATERSHED? DEJCAG NRUABTIV YOG DABTSI?

Nyob rau nruabtiv hauv tej av losyog tej zejzog peb nyob no nws xeebtawm muaj dej nyob rau hauv uas yuav ntws tawm ntawm qhovchaw siab mus rau qhovchaw qis, xwsli yuav ntws tawm los rau tej kwjdegpuab, tej dejntws, tej pasdej, losyog hiavtxwv. Uantej cov dej no yuav ntws mus txog rau qhovchaw qis nws yuav ntws los hla hauv nruabtiv (underground) tej liajteb, havzoov havtsuag, tej nyom thiab kevtsheb hauv tej zejzog—losyog nws yuav ntxaum thiab khaws tseg nyob rau hauv tej-av ces peb hu tau tias dej nruabtiv (underground water). Peb txhualeej txhuatus puavleej nyob rau tejchaw hais los no thiab peb yuav paub zoo txog tus txiajntsims thiab teebmeem ntawm tej dejcag nruabtiv (watershed). Nyob rau tejyam teebmeem ntawd nws muaj xwsli kev tivthaiv dejnyab thiab ntujtsa tebnqhuab, kev tswj avpob thiab avkuav, kev ua kom tejdej huysi, kev paubtxuag tejdej, tsim chawtxoos rau tsiaj nruabnrag, tsimkho tej hav-iav, tej chaw tsham ua-si thiab kev tsimkho tej ntugzej ntugzos.

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Environmental Quality Incentives Program:

Kev Pabcuam Tsimkho Dejnag Huabcua nrojtsuag

EQIP yog kev pabcuam rau kev cog qoobloo-yug tsiajtxhu thiab tej kev uas pab kom tej yxoobntoo dejnag huabcua thiab tsiajtxhu huysi zoo raws li lub homphiaj npajtseg. Yog siv txoj kev pabcuam no, Tsoom tubqoob tubloo thiab tub yug-tsiajtxhu sawvdaws yuav tau txais kev pabcuam feem nyiajtxiag thiab tswyyim dagzog los ntawm tseemfwv mus pab tsimkho lawv tejliaj tejteb thiab chaw yug tsiajtxhu kom lojhlob thiab vammeej.

Wetlands Reserve Program:

Kev Pabcuam Tsimkho Tej Hav-lav

WRP yog kev pabcuam tsimkho tej zeegtiaj hav-av, tej tojroob, thiab ibncig raws tej ntugdej kom tej noog ya muslos muaj lub chawnyob chawtxoos. Lub homphiaj yog pab yuav tej liajteb ntawm cov tswvliaj tswvteb uas lawv txaus siab xavmuag lawv tej liajteb rau tseemfwv, pab tsimkho kom tej zeegtiaj hav-av ibncig tej liajteb rov muaj tuaj uas yuav ua rau tej-av muajfeem khaws tau dej ntawm rau nruabtiv thiab tsis tas li muaj lub chawnyob chawtxoos rau tej tsiaj nruabnrag.

Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program:

Kev Pabcuam Tsimkho Havzoov Havtsuag Rau Tsiaj Nruabnrag

WHIP yog kev pabcuam tsimkho tej-av (havzoov havtsuag) uas muaj tswv lawm kom tej nrojtsuag lojhlob zoo muaj chawnyob chawtxoos rau tej tsiaj nruabnrag. Nyob rau ntawm yam kev pabcuam ntawm NRCS yog tsuas pab rau tejliaj tejteb xwb, tabsi WHIP yog yuav pab rau ibtsoom tswvliaj tswv-av losyog tseemfwv hauv tej zejzog kom muaj feem tsimkho tej havzoov havtsuag, tej hav-av, nrojtsuag raws ntugdej losyog kwjdeg thiab pasdej pasnts kom muaj chawnyob chawtxoos rau tej tsiaj nruabnrag thiab txiaj nruabdeg.

Farmland Protection Program:

Kev Pabcuam Ceev Tej-Av Ualiaj Uateb

FPP yog ibqho kev pabcuam rau tsoom tubqoob tubloo kom pab tswj losyog ceev lawv daim av uas zoo ua-noj ua-haus tseg rau kev ualiaj uateb. Txoj kev pabcuam no yog pab nyiajtxiag rau tseemfwv hauv xeev (state), neeg khab (tribes), hauv zejzog (local) thiab tej koomhaum kom lawv ceev lawv tej av tsis txhob muab hloov mus ua lwm yam uas tsisyog kev ualiaj uateb thiab yug tsiajtxhu.

Resource Conservation and Development Program:

Kev Pabcuam Tsimkho Dejcag-Nrojtsuag & Huabcua

RC&D yog kev pabcuam rau tej zej-zog kom tsoom pejxeem sawvdaws paub tswj thiab txuag tebraug ibcig ntawm tej zej-zog uas nws yuav muajfeem ua rau tej kev noj kev haus lojhlob thiab zoo. Nws yuav ua rau ibtsoom pejxeem zej-zog muajfeem sib koomtes pabnroos txhawb nqa tej kev pabcuam kom ua rau lawv lubzos zoonkauj thiab xis-nyob.

Emergency Watershed Protection Program:

Kev Pabcuam Tsimkho Tej Dejcag Nruabtiv Thaum Muaj Kev Kubntxhov

EWP yog ibqho kev pabcuam txog lub tswyyim dagzog thiab feem nyiajtxiag los daws tus teebmeem tej dej thiab tej dejcag nruabtiv. Txoj kev pabcuam feem nyiajtxiag yog pab lob thiab tshem tejkhaub tejtsuag losyog nrojtsuag lwmymam tawm ntawm tej kwjdeg kom txhob txhaws tejdej ntws, cog nrojtsuag raws tej ntug kwjdeg, losyog kho thiab tivthaiv kom tej tsag kwjdeg txhob pob losyog ntais.

Conservation Technical Assistance:

Kev Pabcuam Lub Tswyyim thiab Dagzog

CTA pabcuam feem tswyyim dagzog rau ibtsoom pejxeem sawvdaws uas npajsiab xav muab kev koomtes tsimkho tej teebmeem uas yuav ua kev puastsuaj rau tej dejnag nrojtsuag thiab huabcua hauv lawv lub zejzog. Cov tubntxhais ua haujlwm nyob rau NRCS sibzog ua haujlwm nrog rau tsoomneeg siv liaj siv av thiab pabpawg neeg hauv zejzog nrhiav lub tswyyim zoo los daws tej teebmeem nyob rau hauv tej dejcag nruabtiv ibncig hauv lawv lub zejzog. CTA yog ibtxog kev pabcuam uas raug raws txoj kev kawm vammeej (science-based) kom pab tau tsoom peejxeem tsimkho lawv tej zejzog kom huv-si, zoonkauj, thiab xisnyob ntev mus lawm yav pegaub.

Yog xavpaub ntawm tshajno hu rau lubchaw uakam USDA ib cheebtsam hauv koj lubzos uas koj yuav nrhiav tau tus xovtooj nyob rau hauv phauntawv Telephone Directory uas zwm muaj covnpe chaw ua-kam tseemfwv nyob rau hauv losyog mus saib tau rau peb qhov website:

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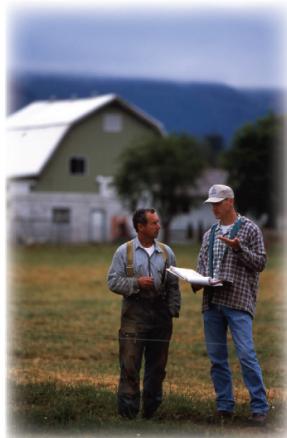


Who is the NRCS?

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is the federal agency that works with private landowners to help them protect their natural resources and keep the watersheds healthy. The agency emphasizes voluntary, science-based assistance, partnerships, and cooperative problem solving at the community level.

NRCS conservationists spend much of their time working with farmers and ranchers. The agency also works in close cooperation with Resource Conservation Districts and other community leaders.

NRCS brings landowners needed technical and financial tools to plan and fund conservation practices and projects to protect the natural resources found throughout the watershed.



What is a Watershed?

The landscape is made up of many interconnected basins, or watersheds, allowing water to run to the lowest point – a stream, a river, a lake, or ocean. As water travels to the lowest point it crosses farm fields, forests, suburban lawns, and city streets—or it may seep into the soil and travel as ground water.

Everyone lives in a watershed and shares resources and resource concerns with those in their watershed community. Some of these concerns include flood and drought prevention, erosion and sediment control, water quality, water conservation, wildlife habitat, wetland restoration, recreation and rural development.

Conservation Programs

in Your Watershed

Environmental Quality Incentives Program

EQIP promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible goals. Through this voluntary program, farmers and ranchers may receive financial and technical help to install or implement structural and management conservation practices on their land.

Wetlands Reserve Program

WRP restores wetland, upland and riparian complexes to improve habitat for migratory birds. The objectives of this program are to purchase conservation easements from willing sellers, restore and protect wetlands in agricultural settings, and assist landowners with the restoration of wetland hydrology and wildlife habitat.

Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program

WHIP encourages the voluntary establishment of high quality wildlife habitat on private lands. While some NRCS programs are specifically designed for agricultural lands, WHIP offers technical and financial help for all private landowners or local units of government who wish to plan and develop upland, wetland, riparian, or aquatic habitat on their property.

Farmland Protection Program

FPP helps farmers keep their productive land in agriculture. This program assists states, tribes, local governments and non-profit organizations by purchasing conservation easements for the purpose of limiting land conversion to non-agricultural uses.

Resource Conservation and Development Program

RC&D assists communities to care for and protect their natural resources in a way that will improve the area's economy, environment and living standards. It provides a way for community members to initiate, sponsor, plan and implement projects that will make their area a better place to live.

Emergency Watershed Protection Program

EWP provides technical and financial assistance for watersheds ravaged by natural disasters. This program provides funding for work such as clearing debris from clogged waterways, restoring vegetation, and stabilizing riverbanks.

Conservation Technical Assistance

CTA provides technical assistance to voluntary participants interested in planning and carrying out conservation activities to address local natural resource issues. NRCS staff work with land-users and communities to provide resource solutions throughout the watershed. CTA provides the science-based technical assistance needed to create long-term resource solutions at the local level.

How to Find Assistance

For more information about NRCS conservation assistance and conservation programs, contact your local NRCS service center listed on the Internet at:

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