

WEEKLY LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY FOR:

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LAST WEEK:

FY 2002 AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS - On Thursday November 8, the House-Senate Conference Committee completed work the fiscal 2002 agriculture appropriations. The Conference Report for H.R.2330 now must be approved by both House and Senate prior to the President’s action.

A summary of reported FY 2002 funding for NRCS is as follows:

Conservation Operations.....	\$779,000,000
Watershed Surveys and Planning.....	\$ 10,960,000
Watershed Rehabilitation.....	\$ 10,000,000
Watershed and Flood Prev. Ops.....	\$106,590,000
Resource Cons. and Development.....	\$ 48,048,000
Forestry Incentives Program.....	\$ 6,811,000

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THIS WEEK:

NATIONAL WATER SUPPLY OVERSIGHT HEARING - The Senate Environment and Public Works Committee will hold an oversight hearing on national water supply issues. The Deputy Chief for Programs, Tom Weber, is scheduled to appear on behalf of USDA - NRCS.

November 14 9:30 a.m. 406 Dirksen Building

BUENA VISTA WATERSHED SUBCOMMITTEE HEARING - The Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research Subcommittee (Chairman Lucas, OK) of the House Agriculture Committee will hold a hearing on the draft legislation that would authorize a conservation project for the Buena Vista Watershed. NRCS Director of Watershed and Wetlands, Lee Bensey, is scheduled to appear on behalf of USDA-NRCS.

November 14 10:00 a.m. 1300 Longworth Building

BUENA VISTA WATERSHED FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP - The House Agriculture Committee (Chairman Combest, TX) will mark up pending legislation that would authorize a conservation program for the Buena Vista Watershed.

November 15 9:30 a.m. 1300 Longworth Building

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