

United States Department of Agriculture  
Natural Resources Conservation Service

# National Headquarters **Directory**

NRCS

## Mission

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) improves the health of our Nation's natural resources while sustaining and enhancing the productivity of American agriculture. We achieve this by providing voluntary assistance through strong partnerships with private landowners, managers, and communities to protect, restore, and enhance the lands and waters upon which people and the environment depend.

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## Vision

Productive working lands in harmony with a healthy environment.

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## Priorities

- Getting More Conservation on the Ground
- Increasing Organizational Effectiveness and Efficiency
- Creating a Climate Where Private Lands Conservation Will Thrive

Our

## Process

NRCS delivers on its conservation mission locally, through field offices in nearly every county in the United States. Through strong partnerships and on-site evaluation of the land's resources—soil, water, air, plant and animal communities—our field staff develops conservation plans that help landowners achieve their conservation goals. NRCS technical expertise and financial assistance work together to make these conservation plans a reality.

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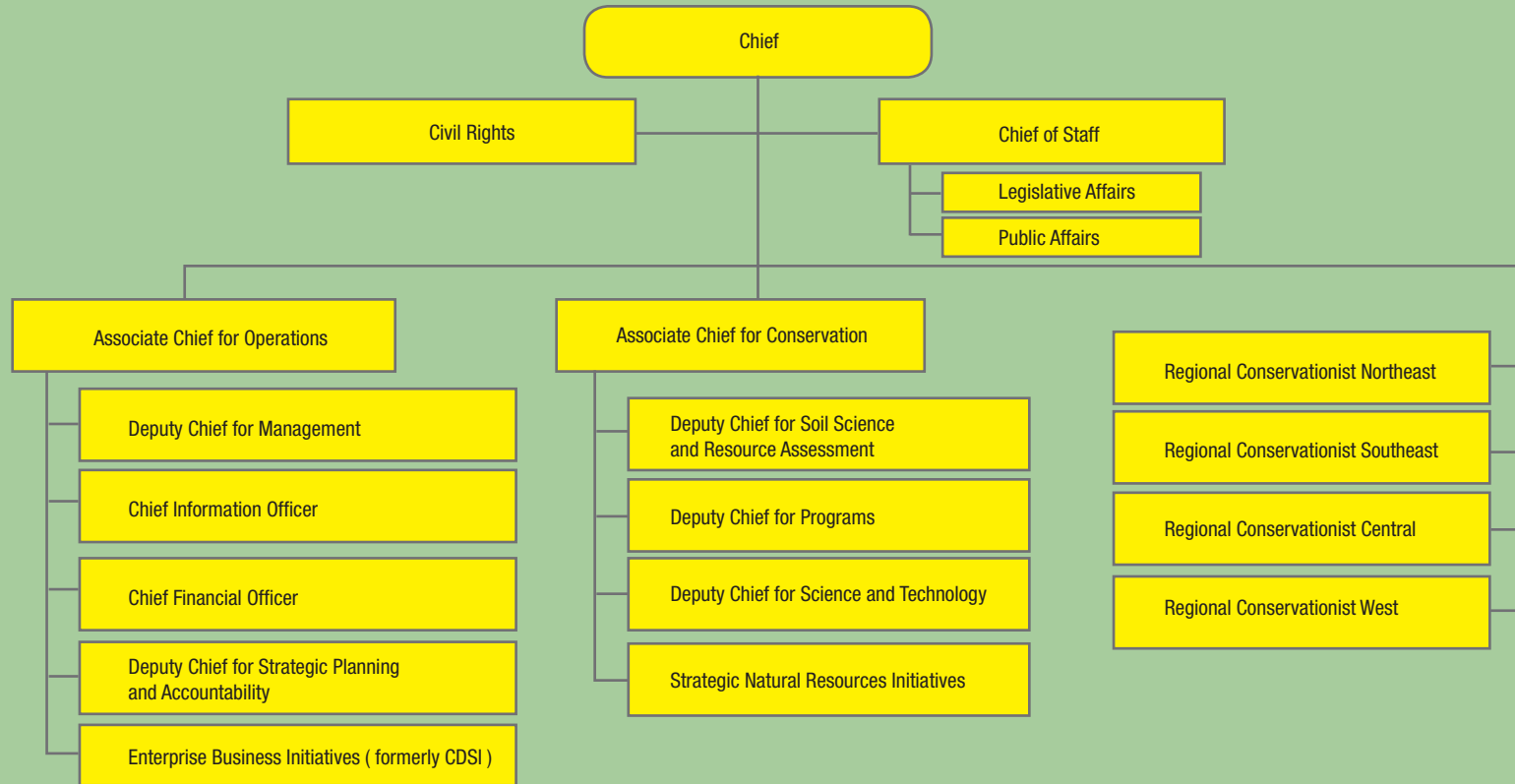
This directory contains the organizational structure and main contact numbers for NRCS's National Headquarters, which provides vision, leadership, and tactical support for the critical mission-focused conservation work carried out by the field.

For an online listing of contacts, email addresses and phone numbers visit us on the web at:

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov>

# Office of the Chief

## Organizational Chart



# Office of the Chief

202-720-4525  
Responsible for overall leadership, vision and direction for NRCS

- **Chief of Staff**

202-720-4525

Responsible for providing support to the Chief and coordinating Legislative and Public Affairs Divisions

- o **Legislative Affairs Division**, 202-720-2771  
Responsible for legislative communications and coordination
- o **Public Affairs Division**, 202-720-3210  
Responsible for national strategic messaging and support of state level public affairs communications
  - ◇ Executive Correspondence Management, 202-720-6589
  - ◇ External Communications, 202-720-3210
  - ◇ Internal Communications (formerly Web Services & Design), 202-720-3210
  - ◇ NRCS Distribution & Earth Team, 515-270-4864
  - ◇ Regional PAS Team, 202-720-3210

- **Civil Rights Division**

301-504-2181

Responsible for enforcing federal statutes prohibiting discrimination and ensuring employees, applicants, and customers receive equal opportunity and are treated fairly and with respect

- **Associate Chief for Operations** (see page 5-6)

202-720-5811

Responsible for all business operations

- o Deputy Chief for Management, 202-720-7847
- o Chief Information Officer, 202-205-1442
- o Chief Financial Officer, 202-205-0113
- o Deputy Chief for Strategic Planning and Accountability, 301-504-0056
- o Enterprise Business Initiatives (formerly CDSI), 202-720-4525

- **Associate Chief for Conservation** (see page 7-8)

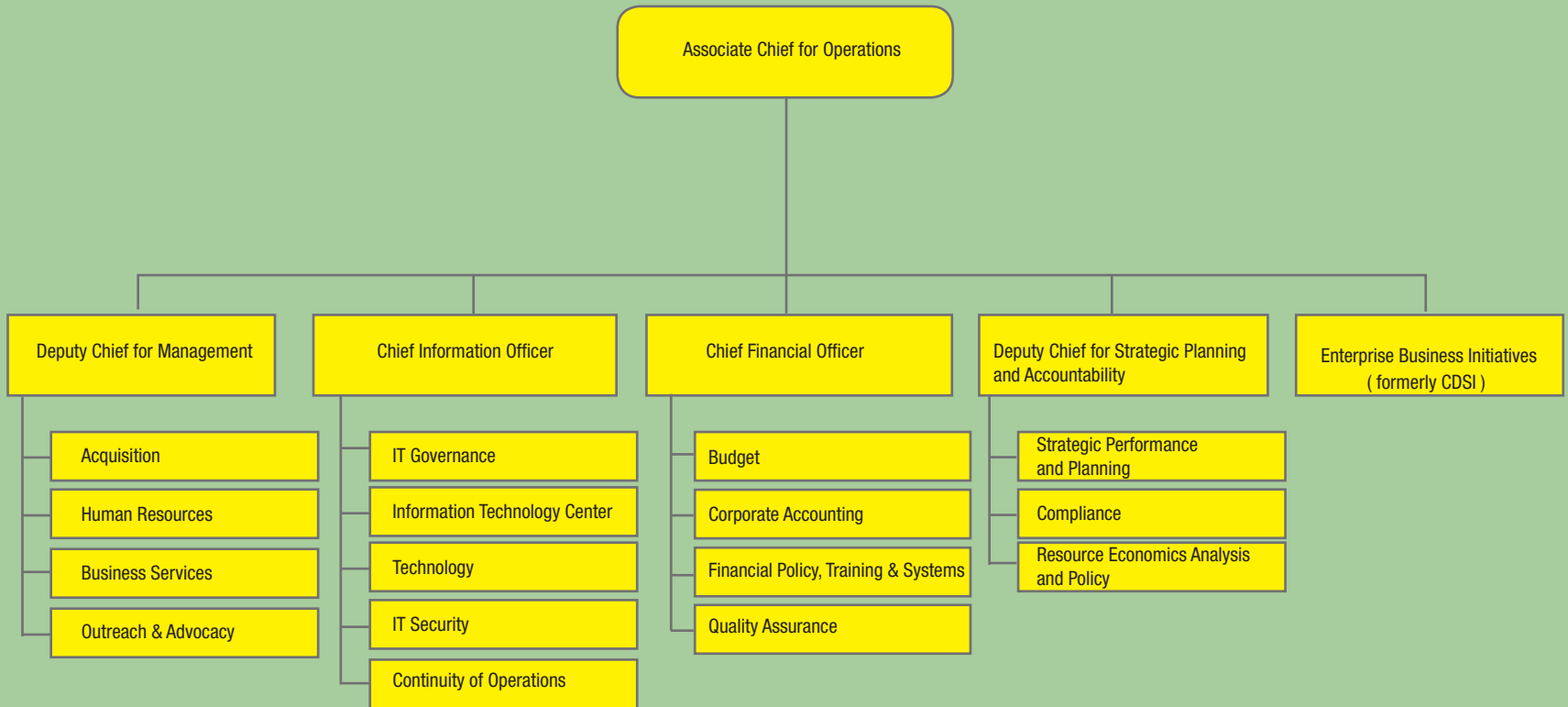
202-720-4525

Responsible for the delivery of conservation programs

- o Deputy Chief for Soil Science and Resource Assessment, 301-504-2302
- o Deputy Chief for Programs, 202-720-4527
- o Deputy Chief for Science and Technology, 202-720-4630
- o Strategic Natural Resources Initiatives, 202-720-4525

- **Regional Conservationists** (see page 10)

# Associate Chief for Operations & Chief Operating Officer (COO) Organizational Chart



# Associate Chief for Operations

202-720-5811

Responsible for all business  
operations

- **Deputy Chief for Management**

202-720-7847

Responsible for acquisitions, human resources, business services, and outreach and advocacy

- o Acquisition, 202-720-4102
- o Human Resources (HR), 202-720-2227
- o Business Services, 703-720-9034
- o Outreach & Advocacy, 703-235-8082

- **Chief Information Officer**

202-205-1442

Responsible for all NRCS information technology resources, information technology governance, Enterprise architecture, security, continuity of operations and the Information Technology Center in Fort Collins, CO

- o IT Governance, 202-205-1442
- o Information Technology Center, Fort Collins, CO, 970-295-5583
- o Technology, 202-205-1442
- o IT Security, 202-205-1442
- o Continuity of Operations, 202-720-9390

- **Chief Financial Officer**

202-720-4521

Responsible for budget development, financial management, accounting and policy

- o Budget, 202-205-5904
- o Corporate Accounting, 202-205-5904
- o Financial Policy, Training & Systems, 202-205-5904
- o Quality Assurance, 202-205-5904

- **Deputy Chief for Strategic Planning and Accountability**

301-504-0056

Responsible for strategically improving service delivery, planning for the future, promoting continuous performance improvement, and ensuring accountability

- o Strategic Performance & Planning, 301-504-2309
- o Compliance, 301-504-1000
- o Resource Economics Analysis and Policy, 301-504-2314

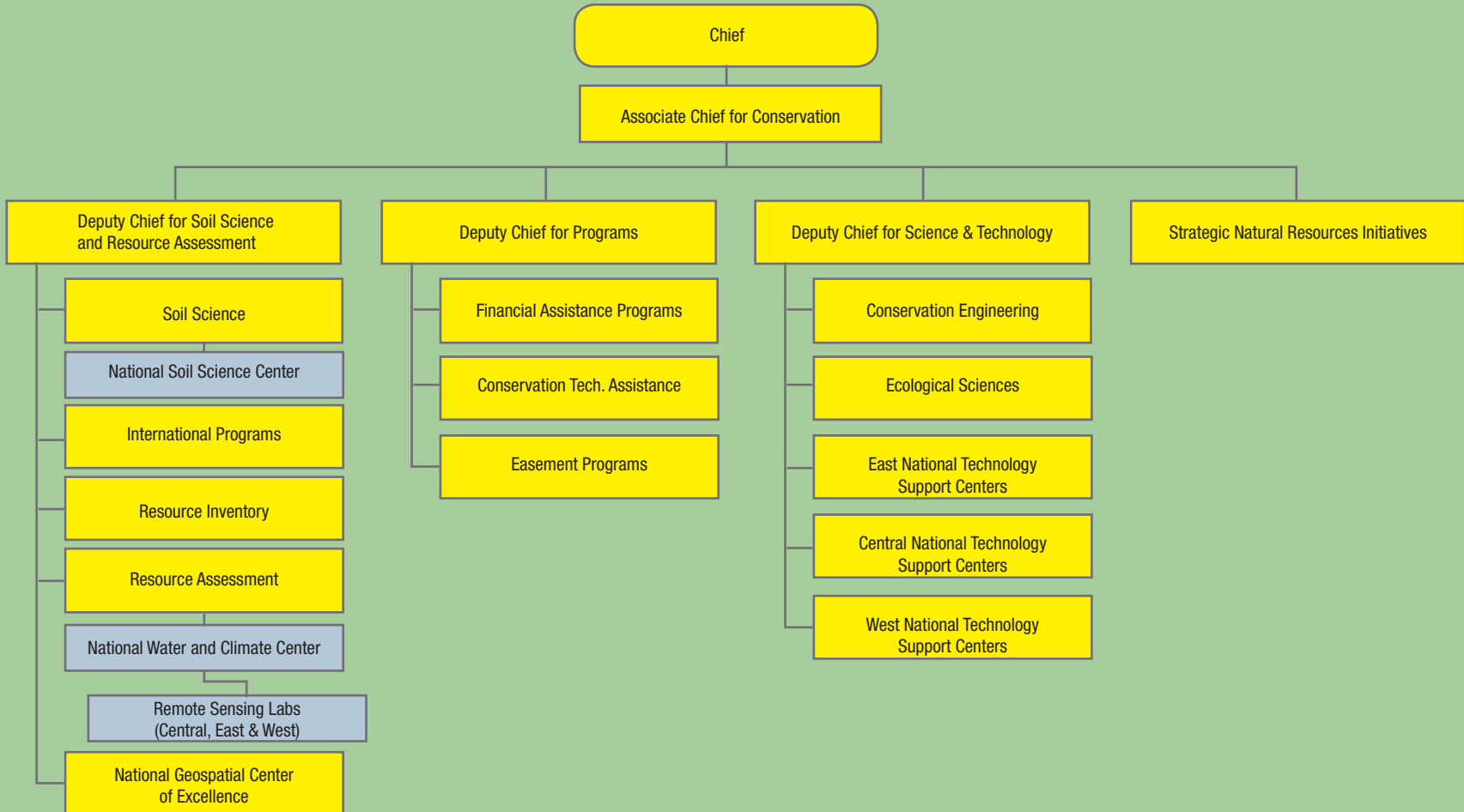
- **Enterprise Business Initiatives (formerly CDSI)**

202-720-4525

Responsible for implementing a more effective, efficient, and sustainable business model for delivering conservation assistance online, across the nation

# Associate Chief for Conservation

## Organizational Chart





# Associate Chief for Conservation

202-720-4525

Responsible for NRCS  
conservation activities and  
programs

- **Deputy Chief for Soil Science and Resource Assessment**

301-504-2302

Responsible for soil science, soil survey and resource assessment, technical assistance to foreign governments, international scientific and technical exchange, geospatial technologies (GIS, PNT, GPS, remote sensing) services and use, inventory and correlation of ecological site descriptions, conservation effects and assessment modeling, National Resources Inventory (NRI), resource analysis to support USDA policy making for conservation, snow survey and water supply forecasting, soil research and soil laboratory data analysis

- o Soil Science Division, 202-720-1820
  - National Soil Science Center, 402-437-5499
- o International Programs Division, 301-504-2271
- o Resource Inventory Division, 301-504-2305
- o Resource Assessment Division, 301-504-2300
  - National Water and Climate Center, 503-414-3031
    - Remote Sensing Labs, 503-273-2506
- o National Geospatial Center of Excellence, 817-509-3402

- **Deputy Chief for Programs**

202-720-4527

Responsible for financial assistance programs, easement programs and conservation technical assistance

- o Financial Assistance Programs Division, 202-720-1845
- o Conservation Technical Assistance Division, 202-720-8851
- o Easement Programs Division, 202-720-1854

- **Deputy Chief for Science and Technology**

202-720-4630

Responsible for ensuring scientifically-sound conservation practices; technology acquisition, development, and transfer; and leading the Conservation Innovation Grants Program, Plant Materials Program, Watershed Dam Rehabilitation Program, and Emergency Watershed Protection Program.

- o Conservation Engineering Division, 202-720-2520
- o Ecological Sciences Division, 202-720-4716
- o East National Technology Support Centers, 336-370-3364
- o Central National Technology Support Centers, 817-509-3302
- o West National Technology Support Centers, 503-273-2422

- **Strategic Natural Resources Initiatives**

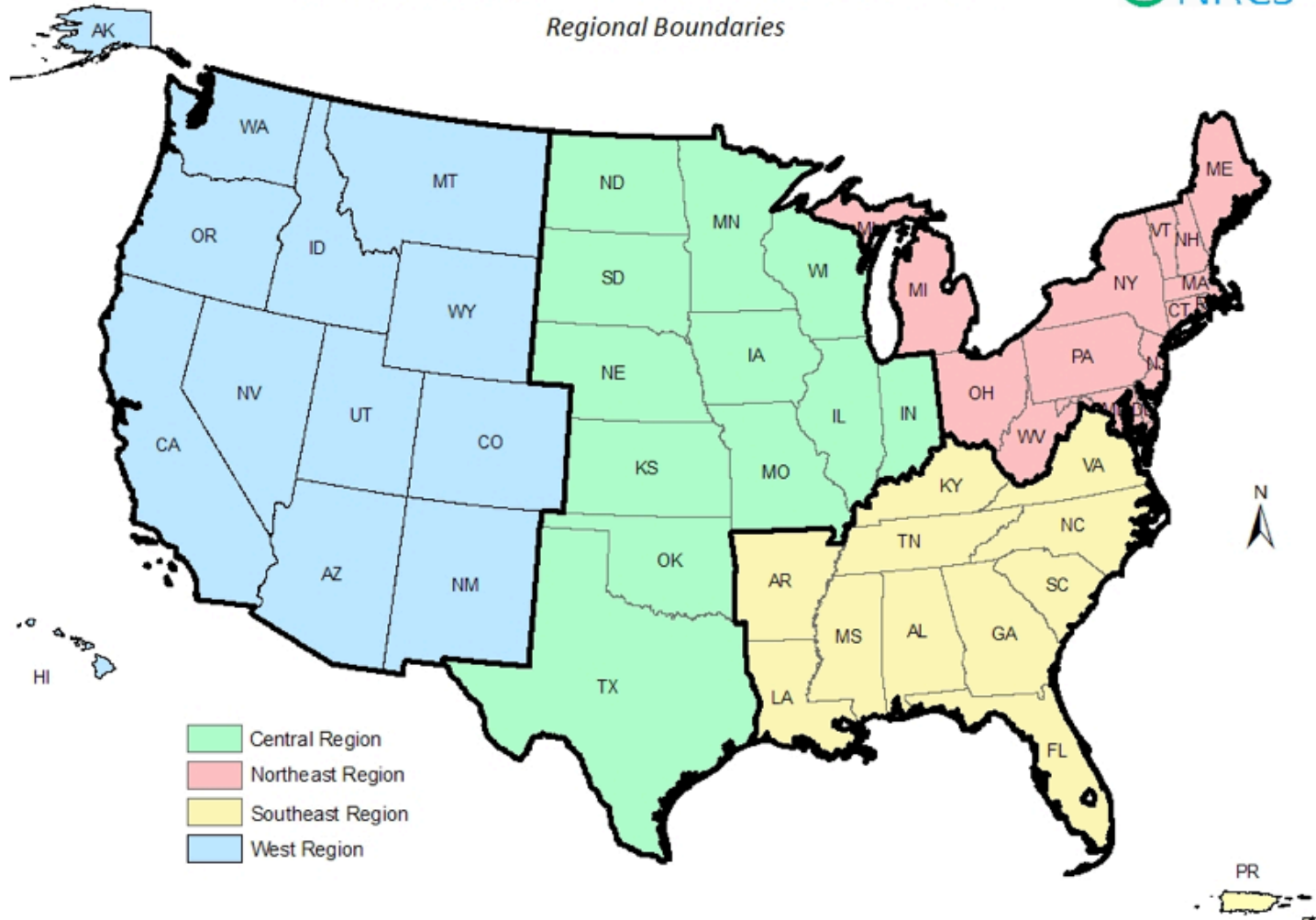
202-720-4525

Responsible for emerging and priority natural resources issues such as climate change, environmental markets, farm bill, bio energy and national food and agriculture council

# Natural Resources Conservation Service



## Regional Boundaries



Map Date - June 2012

Map Source - Regional Conservationists Office

# Regional Conservationists

202-690-2197

Regional Conservationists provide leadership for Northeast, Southeast, Central, and West Regions. Regional Conservationists are management representatives of the Chief and are responsible for providing overall direction of NRCS programs and activities consistent with the Chief's guidance; acting as representatives of the Chief at meetings; and supervising the State Conservationists and the Directors of the Pacific Basin and Caribbean Areas.

- **Northeast Regional Conservationist**

202-690-2197

Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia

- **Southeast Regional Conservationist**

202-690-2197

Alabama, Arkansas, Caribbean Area, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia

- **Central Regional Conservationist**

202-690-2196

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Wisconsin

- **West Regional Conservationist**

202-690-2196

Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Pacific Basin, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

**NRCS Guiding Documents:**

- NRCS Strategic Plan, FY2011-FY2015 and NRCS Strategic Plan Implementation and Appendices  
[www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/about/acc/strategy](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/about/acc/strategy)
- NRCS Human Capital Strategic Plan, FY2013-FY2017  
<https://nrcs.sc.egov.usda.gov/multi/nrcspeople/default.aspx>
- Farm Bill  
[www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/farmbill](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/farmbill)
- Civil Rights and EEO Guidance  
[www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/about/civilrights](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/about/civilrights)
- Directives  
<http://directives.sc.egov.usda.gov/>

**USDA Organization Chart:**

[www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=USDA\\_ORG\\_CHART](http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=USDA_ORG_CHART)

**Helpful Information:**

- Information for NRCS Employees  
[www.nrcs.usda.gov/employees](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/employees)  
<https://nrcs.sc.egov.usda.gov/multi/nrcspeople/default.aspx>
- NRCS Home Community in USDA Connect  
[www.connections.usda.gov/communities/community/nrcs](http://www.connections.usda.gov/communities/community/nrcs)

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