Agroforestry Landowner Assistance

Natural Resource Conservation Service
How is NRCS Organized?
WASHINGTON STATE
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
Multi-County Teams and Office Locations, 2011

LEGEND
- NRCS State Office
- Washington State Conservation Commission
- USDA Service Center
- NRCS Area Office
- Tribal DC Office
- Tribal Office
- Soil Survey Office
- Plant Materials Center
- NRCS Program Delivery Point and Conservation District Office
- Conservation District Office not located in a Service Center

- Washington State Boundary
- NRCS Area Boundaries
- Conservation District Boundaries
- County Boundaries
- Both Conservation District and County Boundaries
- Tribal DC Boundary (CCT)
- Open Water

Note: The full extent of the state is not shown for the location of the NRCS Service Center.

NRCS MULTI-COUNTY TEAMS
- NORTHEAST TEAM
- EAST PALOUSE TEAM
- SNAKE RIVER TEAM
- NORTH CENTRAL TEAM
- SOUTH CENTRAL TEAM
- NORTHWEST TEAM
- SOUTHWEST TEAM

CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

WASHINGTONE STATE
USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service
Washington State Office, Spokane
September 2011
NRCS APPROACH

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03 Landowner Stewardship
04 Partnerships
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NRCS Planning Process

Technical Assistance
Figure 600-B2: An illustration of the dynamic nature of the planning process
EQIP
Environmental Quality Improvement Program
Agroforestry Practices

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Alley Cropping

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oJSYT26pq6k
Multi-Storied Cropping

Overstory Trees: Conifers and hardwoods trees for lumber, boughs, fruits or nuts.
Mid-story: hardwoods for fruits, nuts, and handicrafts.
Understory: shrubs for fruits, floral greens, and medicinal products
Understory: herbs, edible roots & mushrooms

Floral Greens

Berries
Windbreaks/Shelterbelts and Living Snow Fences

Figure 3. Farmstead Windbreak.
Riparian Forest Buffer
CSP

Conservation Stewardship Program
CSP

• Stewardship Program
  • Entire forestland ownership
  • Need to meet (two) targeted resources willing to bring up a third

• Enhancements (100%) and Practices (10%)

• Paid once a year
  • by the Acre, (this is likely to change in 2018 Farm Bill)
  • resource concern maintained or improved,
  • by the enhancement or practice installed
RCPP

Regional Conservation Partnership Program
Funding from NRCS RCPP-EQIP or CSP funds

Healthy Forest Reserve Easement Program (HFRP)
ACEP
Agricultural Conservation Easement Program
Wetland Reserve Easement

- Permanent easements
- 30-year easements
- Term easements
- 30 year contracts.
NRCS Webpage for Technical Service Provider

TechReg

Carri will see you on the Thursday to talk about becoming a Technical Service provider

https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/programs/technical/tsp/?cid=nrcseprd1409610
Questions?