



USDA FARM BILL PROGRAMS
Natural Resources Conservation Service

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USDA AGENCIES

Rural Development

Food Safety and Inspection

Agricultural Marketing Service

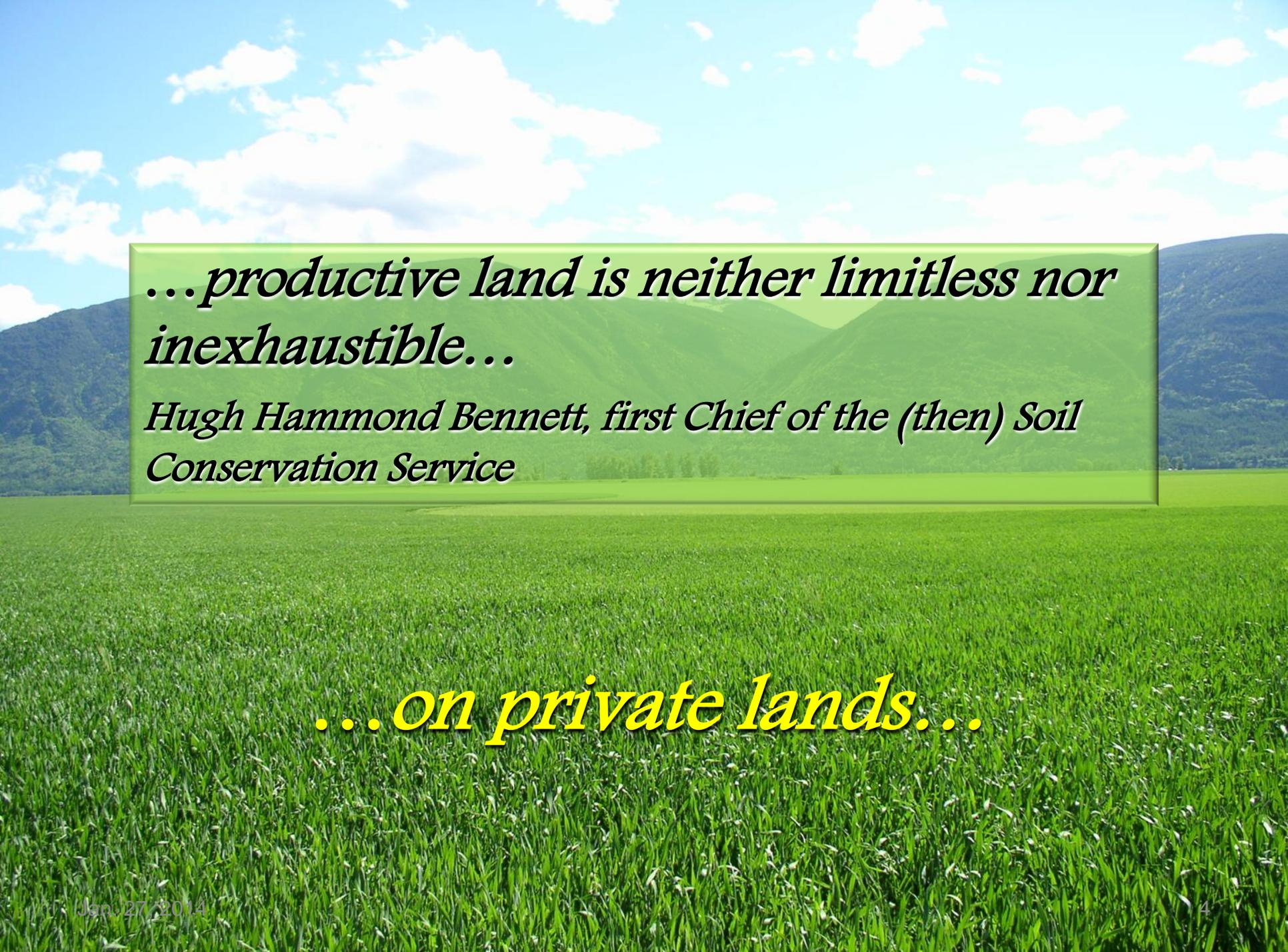
Farm Services Agency

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Forest Service



...to promote agriculture
production sustainability...
and to preserve and conserve
our Nation's natural
resources.

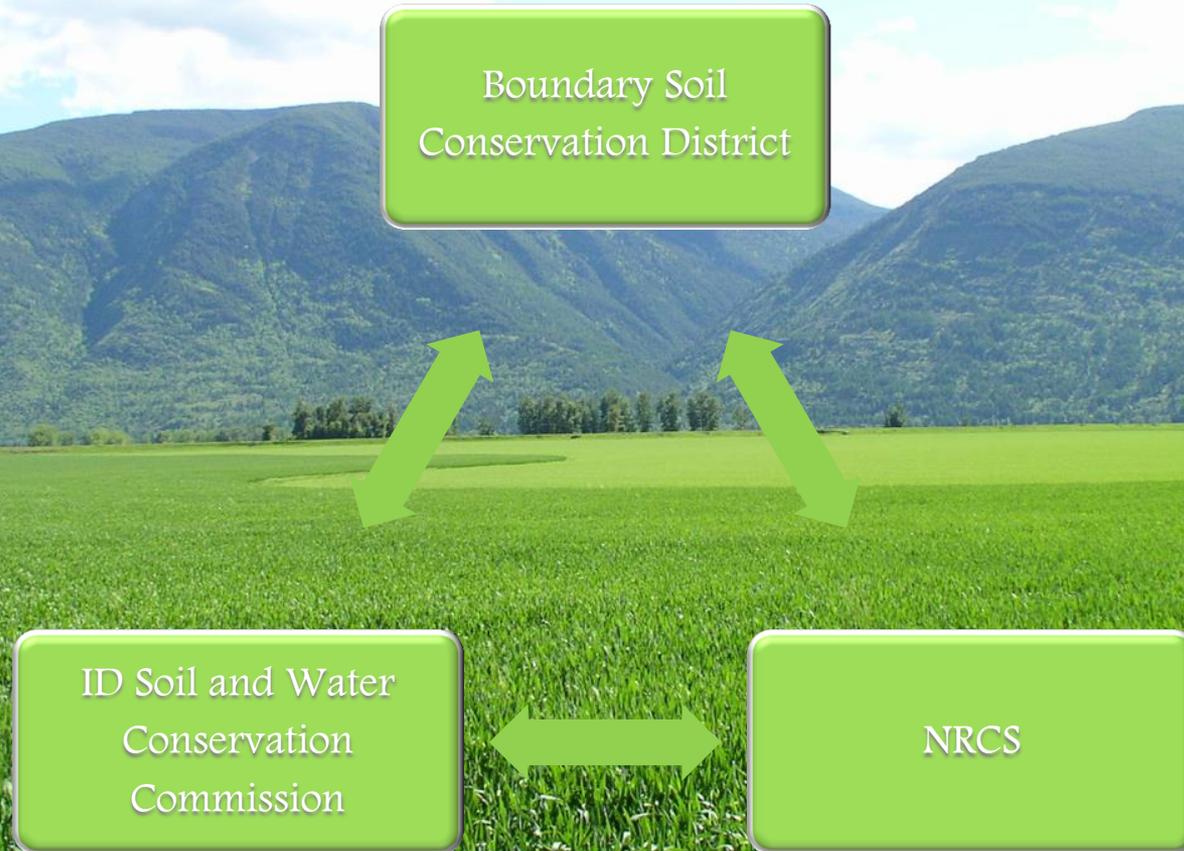


*...productive land is neither limitless nor
inexhaustible...*

*Hugh Hammond Bennett, first Chief of the (then) Soil
Conservation Service*

...on private lands...

CONSERVATION PARTNERS



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Kootenai Tribe of Idaho

Forest Service

Fish and Wildlife Service

Idaho Fish and Game

Idaho Department of Lands

The Nature Conservancy

Local Industry

WHOLE OPERATION PLANNING

Land use

Cropland, Pasture, Forest, Streambank

Wildlife

Landowner Objective

Sustainable Production

Wildlife Habitat

Transition to Organic

Reduction of Energy Inputs

RESOURCE CONCERNS

Soil Health

Water Quality

Animal – Domestic and Wild

Air Quality

Human Resources

Energy Efficiency

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Cropland

Integrated Pest Mgmt

Nutrient Mgmt

Organic Mgmt

Energy Use Reduction

Windbreaks

Pollinator Habitat

Tillage reduction

Crop rotation, cover crops

Orchards and vineyards

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Pastureland

Pasture Plantings

Pollinator Habitat

Grazing Plans

Stockwater Designs and Installation

Integrated Pest Mgmt

Wildlife Habitat, Riparian Buffers

Fencing

Native Species plantings

Waste Storage Facility/Composting



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Forest Land

Forest Mgmt Plan

Thinning

Fuels Treatment

Access Roads

Integrated Pest Mgmt

Tree and Shrub Plantings

Silvo-pasture

Pruning



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Fish and Wildlife

Riparian planting plans and implementation

Control of Livestock

Streambank Restoration

Fish Passage

Stream Crossings

Stream Habitat Improvement

Wetland/Upland Habitat Improvement



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Incentive Programs

Conservation Security Program – 2002

Conservation Stewardship Program – 2008

Annual Land-use Payment for Environmental Benefits

Additional Conservation Activities

All agriculturally based land-uses

Entire operation must be enrolled

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Cost-Share Programs

Environmental Quality Incentive Program

Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program

Regional Cost-Share rates

Financial and Technical Assistance

Natural Resource Concerns

Historically Underserved Producers

NATIONAL INITIATIVES

Air Quality

On-Farm Energy

Organic

Seasonal High Tunnel

Water Quality

Soil Health

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Conservation Easement Programs

Wetland Reserve Program

Protect, Restore and Enhance Wetlands

Permanent easement

100% of fair market easement value

Rights to development or agricultural prod. are retired.

Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program

Partners with state, tribes, local gov't or conservation org

Up to 50% of the fair market easement value – USDA

Up to 25% of easement value – sponsoring partner

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