Soil and water conservation celebrates 75 years
Conservation programs have evolved; local, state, federal partnership poised to face future challenges

North Carolina celebrates 75 years of soil and water conservation in 2012. The long-term success of conservation efforts remains linked to the unique local, state and federal partnership.

As Dick Fowler, executive director of the N.C. Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts puts it: "Having all these partners means there are more tools in the soil and water conservation toolbox to help landowners."

Technical assistance, educational outreach and cost-share programs and all hallmarks of the soil and water conservation partnership in North Carolina.

There are 96 conservation districts statewide, supported by county governments, the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Division of Soil and Water Conservation, the Soil and Water Conservation Commission, the N.C. Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts and the N.C. Foundation for Soil and Water Conservation. Soil and water conservation efforts themselves have evolved as communities and needs have changed. For example, when Dr. Hugh Hammond Bennett, the father of soil conservation, began taking his message across the country, the nation was in the midst of the Dust Bowl with top soil being blown away with great regularity and soil being washed away whenever heavy rains came. Today, soil and water conservation districts serve the needs of rural and urban areas alike, taking the lessons learned through years of agricultural conservation efforts and applying them as well to urban challenges of storm water run-off, sedimentation and nutrient management.

When Bennett began his crusades of conservation, he held a simple belief that our society must put every acre of land to its best use and treat every acre according to its needs. He also believed that conservation should be voluntary and incentive-based, not regulatory. Those philosophies remain at the foundation of the ongoing soil and water conservation efforts.

In an era when most people farmed, conservation districts worked mainly with landowners and farmers. Today, programs are also geared to urban and residential property owners. Soil and water conservation districts are working with homeowners association to better manage runoff. They are looking for opportunities for energy credits for farmers who are participating in projects where methane is being captured.

Hugh Hammond Bennett
Hugh Hammond Bennett, a native of Anson County, received many awards and honors for his lifetime dedication to protecting and conserving soil and water resources for future generations. In Bennett’s time, he observed the effects of the Dust Bowl on farmland and believed the farming practices of the day, combined with geographic features of the land, were contributing to the severe soil erosion being seen across the plains.

Bennett’s tireless efforts led to the creation of the federal government’s Soil Erosion Service in 1933. Bennett served as director of that agency until he retired in 1951. RES was reorganized under the U.S. Department of Agriculture and renamed the Soil Conservation Service in 1935. Today, the organization is known as the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

In 1937, with encouragement from Bennett, President Franklin Roosevelt sent legislation to the nation’s governors urging them to establish soil conservation districts. On Aug. 4, 1937, the Brown Creek Soil Conservation District in North Carolina became the first district in the country.

Districts were initially created around bodies of water, streams, creeks or watersheds. This district included Anson County, Hammond’s birthplace.

Bennett’s ongoing work also resulted in funding for the NC Foundation for Soil and Water Conservation.

From the tractor
by Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler

North Carolina leads the country or is near the top in many areas of agriculture, which is something I am very proud of. Tobacco, sweet potatoes, poultry and egg cash receipts, hogs, Christmas tree cash receipts, rut and sold turkeys and all are very important to our nation’s leading commodities. Even as our state has added new industries, it has continued to build on its agricultural roots.

With such rich ties to the soil, it seems only fitting that one of the lands’ most passionate promoters was from North Carolina. Hugh Hammond Bennett of Anson County was a true pioneer in soil and water conservation. In the 1930s, he toured the country talking about soil and water conservation efforts with anyone who would listen. His message was anything but popular, but his experience and gut told him he needed to continue spreading that message if farmers in the future were going to have any chance of producing crops. Bennett believed that our society must put every acre of land to its best use and treat every acre according to its needs.

He served in the highest levels of government, but worked alongside farmers whenever he was demonstrating soil conservation techniques and encouraged his staff to do so as well – showing versus telling farmers the best practices for the soil.

From his efforts a movement, a movement that we are celebrating this year – the 75th anniversary of Soil and Water Conservation. In fact, the very first soil and water conservation district in the country was established in North Carolina in 1937 in Bennett’s home county. Bennett encouraged President Franklin Roosevelt to send legislation to the nation’s governors urging them to establish soil conservation districts.

To highlight the anniversary, several articles in this issue of the Agricultural Review will focus on soil and water conservation, some of its programs and how the districts help farmers and communities manage their natural resources. As many of you may remember, the legislature transferred the Division of Soil and Water Conservation to my department this year. I have been to numerous
Bucolic briefs

The Southern/National Draft Horse Pull and Coon Mule Jump event will be held Feb. 3 at 6 p.m. in the Hunt Horse Complex at the State Fairgrounds, where we can incorporate the museum into annual fair events – beginning this year, we have plans for a museum week during the State Fair. Regional educational outreach begins Feb. 20 with the 2012 Piedmont Farm School, a seven-month program designed to provide training in production practices and business planning to help people operate successful, small-scale, sustainable farms. The program will start Feb. 14 and wrap up in October. The group will meet one evening for business training and on another day for a field trip to a local farm. Field trip topics include whole farm planning, livestock basics, fruits, vegetables, specialty crops, agritourism and marketing. The cost is $25, and the deadline to register is Jan. 25. Contact Paul McKenzie, agent with Warren/Vance counties, 252-758-2049, for more information.

Risk workshops offered

The N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Marketing Division will host a series of risk management workshops on identifying and assessing Macro Indicators. Workshops are free and will cover a variety of futures and trading topics. Following are dates, times and locations of workshops:

- Feb. 8, 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Northampton Cooperative Extension Center, Jackson, 252-534-2831.
- Feb. 10, 9:30 -11:30 a.m. - Halifax Cooperative Extension Center, Halifax, 252-115-1211.
- Feb. 14, 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Pasquotank Cooperative Extension Center, Elizabeth City, 252-338-3954.

That’s a wrap

The 2012 Piedmont Farm School kicks off Feb. 20 at 9 a.m. at N.C. State University, Raleigh, NC 27695-7845. N.C. State University, Raleigh, NC 27695-7845. Checks should be made payable to N.C. Friends of Agriculture Fund. It is going to take some time for us to reach our goal, but with the support of our farmers and agribusinesses, I know this museum will become a reality.
HORSES

- **2003** Gore 2 horse slant load bumper pull, aluminum frame w/ plastic top, rubber mats, padded sides, drop down windows, inside/outside lights, food tray, rear stabilizer, 40’ X 16’ x 6’ high, $4,200. Julianne Gould, Greenville 252-312-9683.

- **1994** horse trailer bumper pull, aluminum skin and aluminum floor, slant load, rubber mats, 7’ high, big dressing space, drop down windows with bars. Jackie Milam, Kings Mountain 704-951-2041.

- **Two horse Nissen wagon, EC, no box, $1,500. Cyrus Bowman, Colfax 919-690-6025.

- **Boarding** 8 board fenced at $250, a 12.5 ft x 12.5 ft, $250. Jeff Kegley, Greenfield 336-314-1462.

- For lease barn & private pasture, riding rings, trail, hay storage, tack room, covered parking, all equipment. Inquire on request w/your supplies. $100. Jam- mie Swain, Wilson 919-368-6933.

- **Country road work, grass cut, feed, hay, fencing, stall, and board** for one or two horses. John Hunt, Alamance 817-266-0136.

- **Horse drawn wagon with rubber tires, light, radio, speakers, quality hand made** for a one horse or ox team. George F. Heyl, Walk- er Cross Roads 336-679-8452.

- **Beetta synthetic saddle 14” western, new, $220. Luther Coggins, Rocky Mt 919-499-3462.

- **Horse barn & private pasture, 6 y/o, $500 OBO. Jimmy and Carole, 741-74-49, $30/ea or 4/$100. Wesley Myers, Yadkinville 336-679-0283.**

- **Stables** with 6 stalls, area, walker, two round pens, wash room, $2,500 OBO sound with some work ring, 60 x 160 lighted riding arena, $6,500. Mary Ann Harvil, Siler City 919-499-3462.

- **Miniature donkeys** for rent, 12 stalls, large stall & storage. Mary Ann Harvil, Siler City 919-499-3462.

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- **Mason, Yadkinville 336-679-8452.**

- **Saddle** 14” western, new, $250. Luther Coggins, Rocky Mt 919-499-3462.

- **Local queenright bees, grade A, official tag along trailer, vågor, box, $50/ea; 60th anniversary for each issue is midnight on the date of result for each equine advertised.**

- **Bee supplies** for packages and hive combo kits with the purchase of bees, kits start at $153; hive com- bo kits with the purchase of bees, packages $80; 4 frame Nucs $100; 3 frame Nuc, no exchange fee; $105; queens available early April, order early, deposit required. Gary Whitley, Albemarle 704-822-9889.

- **5 frame Nucs Italian bees/ state inspected and treated now taking orders early April, deposit required. Garry Whitley, Albemarle 704-822-9889.**

- **Taking orders for bees, Supplies** with 10 frames and foundations, $250, 5 frame Nuc, w/queen, $205, 4 frame Nuc, w/queen, $175, 3 frame Nuc, w/queen, $150, or 2 frame Nuc, w/queen, $125. Robert Rodin, Edinburgh 919-967-4712.

- **Horse trailer bumper pull, rubber mats, padded sides, drop down windows, inside/outside lights, 40’ X 16’ x 6’ high, $4,200. Julianne Gould, Greenville 252-312-9683.**

- **Horse barn & private pasture, board, and pasture for rent, 12 stalls, large stall & storage. Mary Ann Harvil, Siler City 919-499-3462.**

- **Equipment For Sale**

  - **Mosquito 80 Gumbar for banana, orange, apple trees and plants, $1,000. Bobby Madison, Idan- nel 336-583-0431.**

- **Equipment For Sale**

  - **Altered cow** for more information contact Rev. Ira Clingman, 336-236-5473.

- **AgriVest, 5 frame Nuc, $800. Brent Curtis, Moores- ville 704-737-2498.**

- **Horse barn & private pasture, board, and pasture for rent, 12 stalls, large stall & storage. Mary Ann Harvil, Siler City 919-499-3462.**

- **Morden, 134 E. Main, Uwharrie, $700. Hunter Coggins, Montgomery 919-336-1964.**

- **Wanted** 2 round paddocks, wash room, $2,500 OBO, sound with some work ring, 60 x 160 lighted arena, $6,500. Mary Ann Harvil, Siler City 919-499-3462.

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- **Firewood, cordwood, and firewood** for sale. Call Jackie Milam, Wilson 919-368-6933.

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Two G AC tractors, model M300U, 50 hp, comes w/ front end loader, forks, 2 plows, 3 bottom, 2 & 2 row, 2 pto, $10,000. Dale Williams, Hardy, Virginia 336-316-2398.

M131 125 farm tractor, model 100, 100 hp, 20 ft. tine, 2 pto, good tires, 100M, $2,100. Harley Brandt, Fremont, California 209-934-7921.

1978 Katona D1420 1420, 4wD w/ front end loader, 120 hrs, $10,000. Tim Thornsberry, 241-754-6960.

2002 Kubota tractor M4030U, 60 hp, comes w/ front end loader, forks, 2 pto, 4 w/ 2 ptos, 2 & 2 row, 2 plows, $10,000. William Williams, Hay River, Minnesota 336-316-1150.

Int'l 7440 tractor, model 1200, 120 hp, 3 plows, 3 bottom, 2 & 2 row, $10,000. William Williams, Hay River, Minnesota 336-316-1150.

81 530A farm tractor, good tires, $2,100. Dalton Cooper, Kannapolis, North Carolina 704-398-8756.

1960 Oliver 60, 60 hp, 10 ft. row marker, good tires, $2,100. W. Schaefer Oliver Heritage, 90-95% cond., $5,300. Phillip Wooten, Yadkinville, North Carolina 336-726-1607.


**FARM EQUIPMENT**

**For Sale**

- 12' self propelled, 54 hp, 15' grain header, good condition, good tires,ﱃ 4600, contact Jim, Mifflinville 597-306-0700.
- Maize header 20', 100, 2 bat, or less. Johnny Shiflet, Glenville 507-305-4241.
- Hay & Grain
- New, old hay baler, has been shel- ted, EC, $355 OBO. Ann Leonard, 704-415-6472.
- New 8n tractor with completely new re- build transmission, $22,000. FN & ADV, Siler City 919-742-9210.
Farmland Wanted

To lease land to deer and turkey hunting, please contact Mr. Terry J. Hunt, 1717 North Main, Rolesville, 919-669-1859. For information on the land and hunting rights, please contact Mr. Hunt.

Farm Labor

Build any type farm or yard fence with Scott Blackwell, Certo Grondos 696-054-742. Brick, block, and concrete masonry, will do repairs, foundations, etc., 30% off. Sealed and certified by Trinity Hay, Salem 919-427-4648.

Sawdust! 2101.000/ea pine lumber available or cut to order. 50' & #2 pine, Southern Pine, 8/4, S4S, Blaine 336-524-6222. 300-cf of 2x4, 8'/4 pine, 8/4 top, Blaine 336-524-6222. 500-cf 2x4, 8'/4 pine, 8/4 top, Blaine 336-524-6222.

Cattle artificial insemination AI-1 1000 cows and dairy, $50.00. James Martin, Siler City 919-960-0128.

For Lease

Farm land for sale must consist of at least 3 acres and be fenced, 12x24 ft cabin, 500 ft road frontage, secluded, $2,100; for hunting and/or livestock or equipment storage, deer and/or predator hunting. Lora Burrage, Concord 704-234-8179. Leased for selling 2011 and future years of harvest of Stany, references available upon reasonable request. Jimmy Furr, 704-888-0213.

Live stock for Sale


Livestock

Goat kids fall 2011-2012 season within 1.5 hours of Siler City or Davidson. For information contact Mr. Tommey Hatch, 336-714-6679. 14 m/o doe, possibly bred. Louise Profano, 14 m/o $1,400/ea. Robby Pardado, 14 m/o $1,400/ea. 2 goats, 1 ½, not bred, $1,500 OBO. John Dykers, Siler City 919-663-2436. 1 reg Texas longhorns, 7 y/o, $100/ea. Charles May, 704-278-9291. John Jinnah, 704-121-9085. 20 Boer goats, 1 y/o, $45/buck and $40/doe. Very friendly, would make good hornless milking or kids. Willis Olson, 704-616-7857. 20 Angora goats weigs, approximately 5 lbs. 3 and 4 month wether kids, 12 m/o bred. Louise Profano, 12 m/o $1,400/ea. Robby Pardado, 12 m/o $1,400/ea. 10 Boer goats, 6 m/o, $1,000/ea. Robby Pardado, 6 m/o $1,000/ea. 3 breeding does, 1 reports bred. John Kernohan, 3 breeding does, $1,500. 4 breeding bucks, $1,000. John Kernohan, 4 breeding bucks, $1,000. 1 Reg Texas longhorns, 7 y/o, $100/ea. Charles May, 704-278-9291. 20 Boer goats, 1 y/o, $45/buck and $40/doe. Very friendly, would make good hornless milking or kids. Willis Olson, 704-616-7857. 20 Angora goats weigs, approximately 5 lbs. 3 and 4 month wether kids, 12 m/o bred. Louise Profano, 12 m/o $1,400/ea. Robby Pardado, 12 m/o $1,400/ea. 10 Boer goats, 6 m/o, $1,000/ea. John Kernohan, 10 Boer goats, 6 m/o, $1,000/ea. 1 reg Texas longhorns, 7 y/o, $100/ea. Charles May, 704-278-9291. 20 Boer goats, 1 y/o, $45/buck and $40/doe. Very friendly, would make good hornless milking or kids. Willis Olson, 704-616-7857.

Goat Kids

2x Tawu wagons 5 y/o, $900 each. Wagons, b.i. $400; hybrid b.i., $800; purebred, not reg. $1,000/ea; heifer $1,000, 450. Steve Thompson, Holdenite 828-435-1127. 2 Tawu Wagons 5 y/o, $900 each. Wagons, b.i. $400; hybrid b.i., $800; purebred, not reg. $1,000/ea; heifer $1,000, 450. Steve Thompson, Holdenite 828-435-1127. 2 Tawu Wagons 5 y/o, $900 each. Wagons, b.i. $400; hybrid b.i., $800; purebred, not reg. $1,000/ea; heifer $1,000, 450. Steve Thompson, Holdenite 828-435-1127.

For sale


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30 bales round bales of Coastal Bermuda, feeding time 3 months, McNichol Ince, Greenville 919-449-1569.

For sale

Assorted Bermuda bales only are $4.00 delivery available, Jason Brit, Mount Olive 919-689-2868.


For sale

Round hay bales 5 x 4, some little a large, no rain, building strong for sale, $4/bale, bottom quality square bale, $3.50ea, Stanly co. $3.50ea, North Carolina with discount for 100 bales, barn stored, round bales as well 5 x 3.5 $5. Jaimie Stuiger, Albemarle 704-562-1301.

For sale

Farms

3 ac mountain pasture, 12x24 ft cabin, 500 ft road frontage, 1 ac/field, $147,000, 3 ac mountain pasture, 12x24 ft cabin, 500 ft road frontage, 1 ac/field, $147,000.
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Seeds & Plants Wanted

Heirloom seeds for any variety of fruit tree and shrub. For red shrub and hibiscus Lunar or Durango or Guadalupe, Pikesville 917-736-1829.


Spin doctor nursery pots, $1.50/100, 3.5 amp family sizes, 1,000, 5,000 & 2,000 watts, 8" 11" & 14" diam, 910-648-4420.

Two standing cedar trees, 18" diam, $75. Kelly Carpenter, Greensboro 938-628-8658.

Loader tires, 9-38.5, 8.15-20, new, $3,800. Roy M. Smith, Siler City 919-663-2424.

Turfmonth, Mockssville 336-765-3882.

Tubular bulbs, Valerie Chris-
ty 704-845-8942.

Old time penny plants or tubu-
lar, $5. 25% off. M. Jones, Savannah 919-499-2596.

Seeds & Plants

FARM SUPPLIES

Pond weed killer on trailer, 12 ft., 100, $15 $15.00. Joe Snow, Thur-
pold 757-869-7021.

336-468-8125. 910-648-4420.

Ike Batch 850 Chick, Salemount 336-837-4702.

Crankie pole mounted or can cemented in ground, 250 lbs. cap. 6 ft. Heidt, Neids Creek 336-414-8503.

Concrete feed bunk, 12 bunks, $150. Call 704-845-8942.


10 Feed trough, 4 mineral water tanks, 19 in. wide, 12 ft. long, 18 in. high, 3 tanks, $3,500. B. Bill Dilli, Durham 919-481-8605.


24", 1 gal to 7 gal. Full plastic, plastic valve on bottom, no strong chemicals on inside. $7.50 each. Atwood, Terre Haute 336-383-9126.


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