



# MISSISSIPPI SOIL AND WATER NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION EDUCATION FUND

AFFECTIONATELY CALLED "THE CARTAG FUND"

# ORIGINS



- BEGAN ON JULY 1, 2000 AS A WAY TO FUND CONSERVATION EDUCATION IN MISSISSIPPI
- DESIGNED IN COALITION WITH THE MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS WILDFLOWER FUND AND PROGRAM
  - WILDFLOWER PROGRAM HAS SINCE DISSIPATED

# INVESTMENT AND REVENUE

- \$33 ADDITION TO EXISTING CARTAG PAYMENT
- \$25 GOES INTO THE CONSERVATION EDUCATION FUND
  - THE REMAINING \$8 IS SPLIT BETWEEN:
    - THE BURN CENTER FUND
    - COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR
    - HIGHWAY FUND
    - THE ARCHIVES AND HISTORY DEPARTMENT
- \$173,680 IN REVENUE SINCE JULY 1, 2000



# BENEFIT PROGRAMS

- SOIL TUNNEL
- SAME SOIL
  - SAME SOIL COLORING BOOKS
- BOOK BARNS
- GENERAL CONSERVATION EDUCATION NEEDS
  - SUPPLIES FOR SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND TEACHER WORKSHOPS

# SOIL TUNNEL

“WELCOME TO THE WORLD BELOW THE TREE ROOTS”





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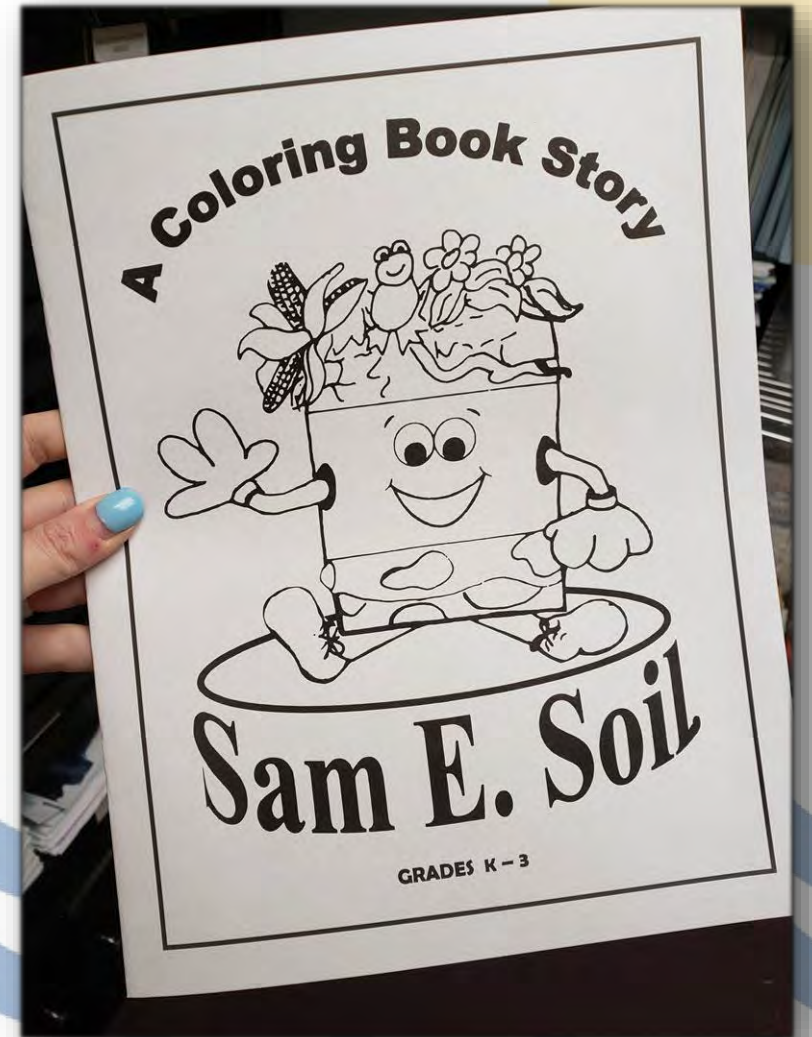
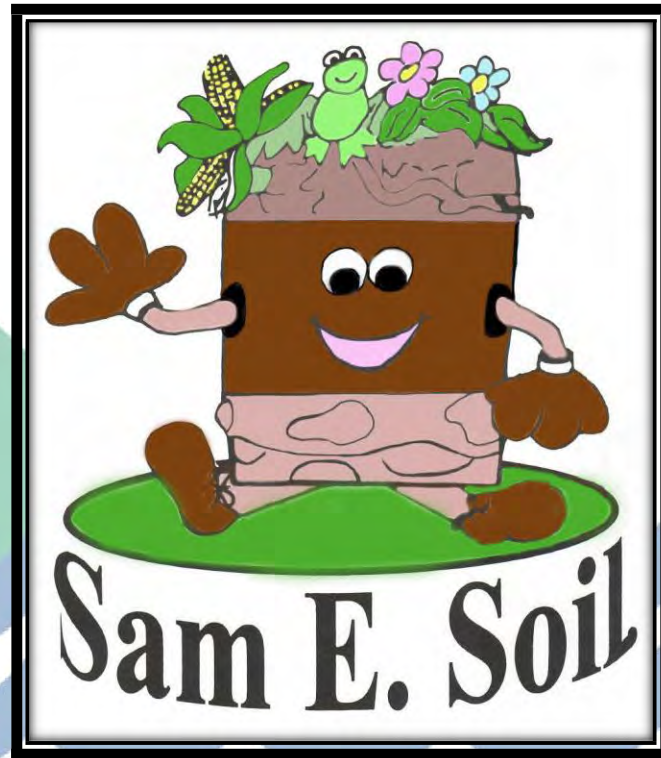
# SOIL TUNNEL

“NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE SHRINKING AS YOU ENTER OUR UNDERGROUND WORLD”





# SAM ESOIL





# BOOK BARN PROGRAM



Mississippi Coastal Region  
Book Barn





# QUESTIONS?

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