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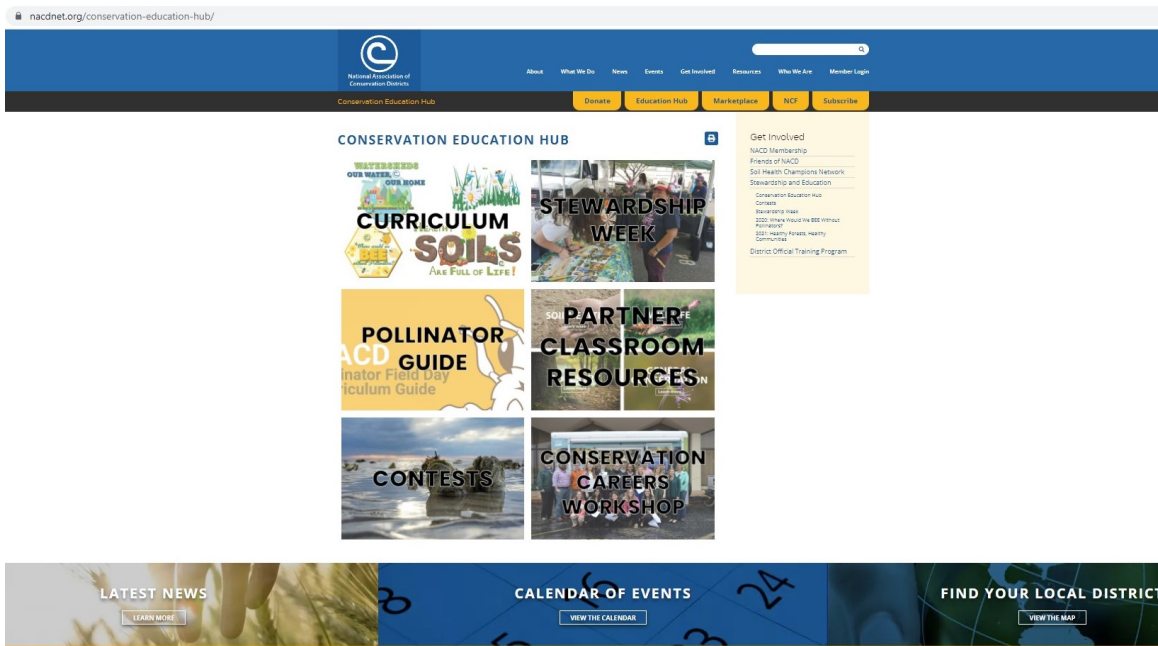
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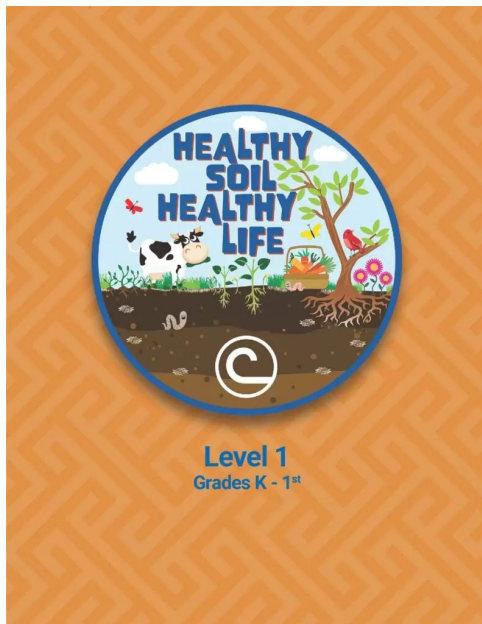
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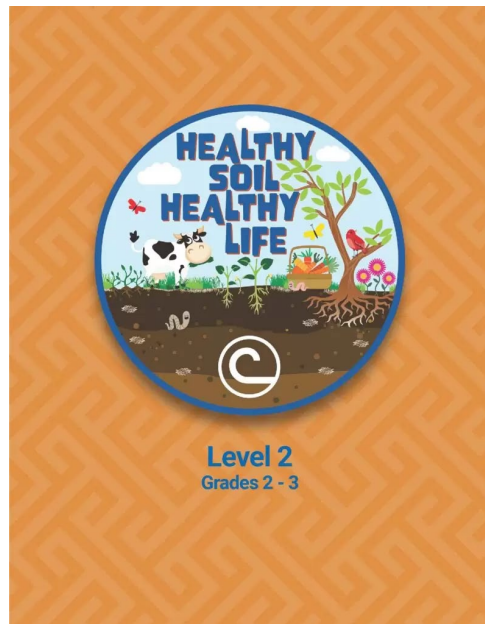
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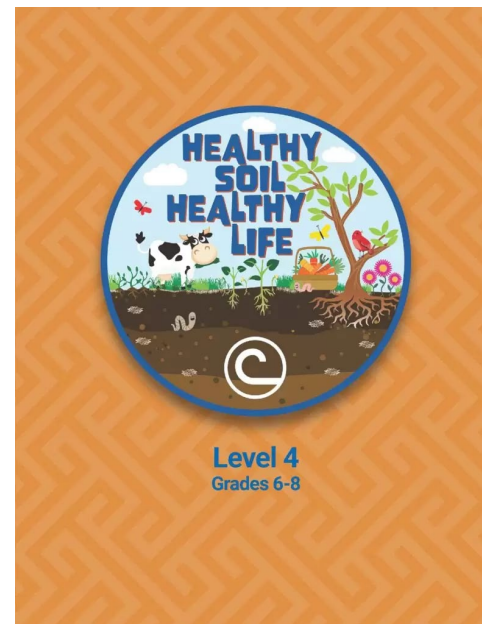
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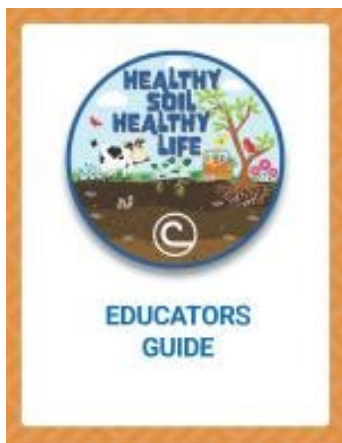
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 In fact, 95% of food production relies on soil.

Healthy soils are like a filter!
 They can help to clean the water that we depend on to survive.

A quarter of the Earth's species are found in soils!
 This includes critters like small mammals, worms, fungi, and bacteria. Scientists are still learning about and discovering organisms that live in soil.

Soils may seem sterile but they are actually teeming with life!
 A teaspoon of soil has roughly 100 million tiny living organisms that there are plants on Earth.

Over 1,000,000 earthworms can be found in one acre of cropland!

There is more than one type of soil!
 Soil is made of layers, and soil scientists call these layers horizons. These include organic materials like decaying leaves, the topsoil, the subsoil, parent material, and bedrock.

Healthy soils can help the environment!
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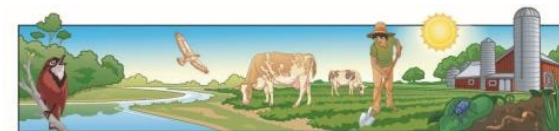
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"Land is not merely soil, it is a fountain of energy flowing through a circuit of soils, plants and animals." - Aldo Leopold

Healthy Soils give us Healthy Lives and Healthy Communities

The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) Stewardship Week is one of the largest conservation-related observances.

The 3,000+ conservation districts that make up NACD manage soil and water conservation programs in virtually every community in the United States. Since 1956, NACD has sponsored the national Stewardship Week program by selecting a theme and developing materials for schools, communities and churches of all denominations.

Stewardship Week, celebrated annually between the last Sunday in April and the first Sunday in May, reminds us of our personal responsibility to care for the natural resources on which we all depend. The celebration and observance of Stewardship continue throughout the year - not just one week. The concept of Stewardship involves personal and social responsibility.

We have a duty to learn about and improve natural resources as we use them wisely. www.nacdnet.org



"The land knows you, even when you are lost."

-Robin Wall Kimmerer, author *Braving Wilderness: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants*

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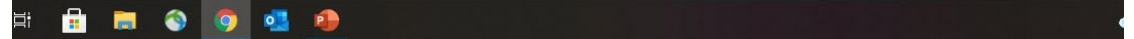
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NACD Conservation Careers Workshop

The National Association of Conservation Districts' **Conservation Careers Workshop** showcased employment opportunities within the National Conservation Partnership, along with other public and private natural resource management and agriculture conservation partners, by providing professional relationship and career development for the future leaders in conservation. The program started with a less structured format in 2017 and was funded through a USDA: NRCS grant and was re-structured in 2019. The workshop is held each year during the NACD Annual Meeting in February and continued through support from the USDA: NRCS and US Forest Service .



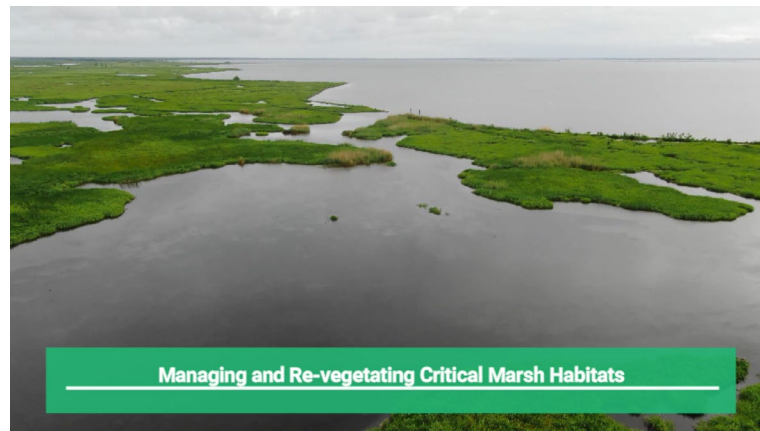


Theme for the 2021 CCW: Forest Management, Restoration and Regeneration

Like the NACD Annual Meeting, the 2021 Conservation Careers Workshop was held virtually, June 13-15, 2021. Seventeen participants joined on the ZOOM platform over three nights. The focus for the 2021 workshop was Forest Management, Restoration and Regeneration. The success of this year's workshop was because of the Louisiana Conservation Partnership's assistance in collecting content for three "Virtual Field Trips".

Each of these videos can be viewed on the NACD YouTube channel at...

<https://www.youtube.com/c/NationalAssociationofConservationDistricts/playlists>



2022 AFA + NACD Sustainability Institute



· For 2022 the Conservation Careers Workshop will be expanded through a partnership with Agriculture Future of America into the **AFA + NACD Sustainability Institute** with as many as 75 participants. The 2022 NACD Annual Meeting will be held at the Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista – Disney Spring Area



- Agriculture Future of America (AFA) provides premiere personal and professional development programs to college students and young professionals in agriculture.
- Planning is underway with AFA and the participation of the Disney Properties “Nature Based Solutions” Team for the 2022 AFA + NACD Sustainability Institute.

The 2022 NACD Annual Meeting will be
February 12-16, 2022, in Orlando, FL

