

Soil Climate Analysis Network Potential and Possibilities

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DATE: January 24, 2020
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

8:30 am	Opening Remarks and Welcome	Bill Northey - Under Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC), USDA
8:45 am	USDA Leadership Remarks	William Hohenstein - Director of the Office of Energy and Environmental Policy, Office of the Chief Economist, USDA Kevin Norton - Associate Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), USDA
9:15am	History of SCAN	Dr. Michael Strobel - Director, NRCS National Water and Climate Center, Portland, OR
9:45 am	Soils and SCAN	David Hoover – Director, NRCS National Soil Survey Center, Lincoln, NE Deborah Harms - Water and Climate Monitoring Team Lead, NRCS National Water and Climate Center, Portland, OR
10:15	Break	
10:45	National Soil Moisture Network	Dr. Michael Cosh - Research Hydrologist, Agricultural Research Service, USDA

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PANEL PRESENTATION

North America Soil Moisture Database

Dr. Steven Quiring – Professor , The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

Utah SCAN Network & Products

Kent Sutcliffe – Soil Scientist, NRCS Utah Snow Survey, Salt Lake City, UT

Oklahoma Mesonet

Dr. Tyson Ochsner – Dep. of Plant and Soil Sciences
Oklahoma State University
Norman, OK

Nebraska Mesonet

Dr. Trenton Franz – Hydrogeophysicist,
University of Nebraska –
Lincoln, Lincoln, NE

11:45

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CONFERENCE ROOM FOR DISCUSSIONS

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PANEL: Soil Moisture Data
and Drought

Molly Woloszyn – Midwest Regional Drought
Information coordinator,
National Integrated
Drought Information System
(NIDIS), Champaign, IL

Dr. C. Bruce Baker - Division Director,
Research Meteorologist and
Climate Information Specialist,
Atmospheric Turbulence and
Diffusion Division, National
Oceanic and Atmospheric
Administration (NOAA),
Oak Ridge, TN

Dr. Steven Quiring – Professor, The Ohio State
University, Columbus, OH

1:30

Overview and next Steps

Mark Brusberg – Chief Meteorologist, Office of
the Chief Economist, USDA

1:45

BREAK

2:00

Facilitated Pre-Planning Dialogue

Mary Podoll
Deputy Chief, Soil Survey and
Resource Assessment (SSRA) Acting, and
State Conservationist, North Dakota

Matt Drechsel
Branch Chief
Performance Management and Continuous
Process Improvement Branch
Performance, Accountability, and Risk Division
Farm Production and Conservation Business Center
USDA



Facilitators

3:30	Wrap-Up, Next steps and Closing Statements	Mary Podoll Deputy Chief, Soil Survey and Resource Assessment (SSRA) Acting, and State Conservationist, North Dakota
		Matt Drechsel Branch Chief Performance Management and Continuous Process Improvement Branch Performance, Accountability, and Risk Division Farm Production and Conservation Business Center USDA

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