

BENEFITS

- ❖ The Consortium offers many benefits. Members of Societies and Associations have the opportunity to:
 - ◆ Enhance communications and networking among the soil societies and associations.
 - ◆ Work together to promote outreach of soil survey information to general public and decisions makers.
 - ◆ Provide information to general public on potential contacts for obtaining soil consulting services.
 - ◆ Inform public officials on the value and use of quality soil survey information.
 - ◆ Encourage certification and professional recognition of soil scientists.



MEMBERSHIP

The United States Consortium of Soil Science Associations includes the following organizations:

Association of Women Soil Scientists
 Professional Soil Classifiers Association of Alabama
 State Board of Registration for Professional Soil Classifiers - Alabama
 Alaska/Yukon Society of Professional Soil Scientists
 Arkansas Association of Professional Soil Classifiers
 Professional Soil Scientists Association of California
 Florida Association of Environmental Soil Scientists
 Soil Science Society of Georgia
 Idaho Soil Scientists Association
 Illinois Soil Classifiers Association
 Indiana Association of Professional Soil Classifiers
 Indiana Registry of Soil Scientists Board
 Professional Soil Classifiers of Iowa
 Kansas Association of Professional Soil Classifiers
 Kentucky Association of Soil Classifiers
 Maine Association of Professional Soil Scientists
 Soil Classifiers Association of Michigan
 Mid-Atlantic Association of Professional Soil Scientists
 Minnesota Association of Professional Soil Scientists
 Professional Soil Classifiers Association of Mississippi
 Missouri Association of Professional Soil Scientists
 National Society of Consulting Soil Scientists
 Nebraska Society of Professional Soil Scientists
 Society of Soil Scientists of Northern New England
 Society of Soil Scientists of Southern New England
 New Hampshire Association of Natural Resource Scientists
 New Jersey Association of Professional Soil Scientists
 New Mexico Soil Science Society
 Empire State Pedologists
 Soil Science Society of North Carolina
 North Carolina Board for Licensing Soil Scientists
 Professional Soil Classifiers Association of North Dakota
 Association of Ohio Pedologists
 Professional Soil Scientists Association of Oklahoma
 Oregon Society of Soil Scientists
 Pennsylvania Association of Professional Soil Scientists
 Soil Science Society of America
 Soil Science Society of South Carolina
 South Carolina Land Resources Commission
 Professional Soil Scientists Association of South Dakota
 Soil Scientists Association of Tennessee
 Professional Soil Scientists Association of Texas
 Utah Society of Soil Scientists
 Virginia Association of Professional Soil Scientists
 Washington Society of Professional Soil Scientists
 West Virginia Association of Professional Soil Scientists
 Wisconsin Society of Professional Soil Scientists

❖ Web Site --- <http://soilsassociation.org>

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UNITED STATES CONSORTIUM of USCSSA SOIL SCIENCE ASSOCIATIONS

A NEW FRAMEWORK For COMMUNICATIONS AND NETWORKING



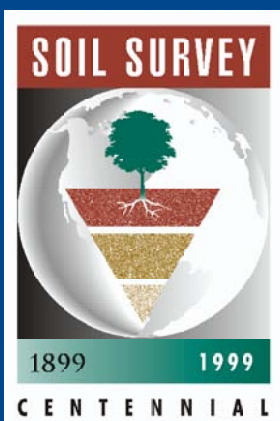
PURPOSE

- ❖ The United States Consortium of Soil Science Associations (USCSSA) was organized to:
 - ◆ Promote communications, coordination and networking nationally among soil societies and associations.
 - ◆ Stimulate interest to excel in soil science education, promoting and using soil survey information.
 - ◆ Promote soil science as a valuable career in our nation's resource management with emphasis on having a continuing supply of soil scientists to address our resource challenges into the new millennium.
 - ◆ Unite soil science societies, associations and other interested groups into one voice to promote common goals and affect national policy.



ACTIVITIES

- ❖ The Consortium, through soil societies and associations, promotes informational and educational activities, such as:
 - ◆ Soil science exhibit planned at the Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History.
 - ◆ Societies and Associations interstate soils field studies and meetings.
 - ◆ Provide educational soils resources, such as: links to colored soil profiles, and teaching soil guides.
 - ◆ Source of contact for potential soil consulting services.
 - ◆ Inform awareness to public officials on the value and use of modern soil survey information.



Typical landscape of surface mined areas observed during a 2002 field trip of Professional Soil Scientists Association of Oklahoma



Members of Professional Soil Scientists Association of Oklahoma studying soils during state meeting field trip