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Pedon Data

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I feel Dave has a good proposal in developing a representative pedon from the National Soil Characterization Database for each major component of STATSGO. It may be that we should take a look at the timing. This will be a rather significant workload for the states to select representative laboratory for each map unit component in STATSGO.

A few weeks ago Bill Roth and I had lunch with Paul Dyke here in Lincoln. One of the items discussed was the need for this kind of data for the next RCA evaluation. I feel if the states were requested to provide this information as part of the RCA evaluation rather than data desired by the National Soil Survey Center, it would be much better received. We need to be aware of what the future RCA plans are and react accordingly.

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