

**DEVELOPMENT PLAN  
FOR  
POPULATING OSEDS INTO THE NATIONAL STANDARD**

This plan outlines strategies to begin discussions for population of Official Series Descriptions (OSEDS) into the National Standard for Soil Classification and Interpretations (NSSCI).

**Background**

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As of a result of a query on the Soil Classification file on January 12, 1994, there are 15,184 established series and 2,622 tentative series that reside in a text format. This is a total of 17,806 OSEDS that need to be populated into a relational database for the NSSCI which will reside in the National Soil Information System (NASIS).

**Team Members**

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Jon Vrana  
Henry Mount  
Andy Goodwin  
Gary Spivak  
James Culver - Sponsor

**Team Process**

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Develop Team Action Plan to:

1. Summarize status of the NSSCI to date
2. Prioritize uses/needs of the NSSCI
3. Validate uses/needs w/NSSC, NTC, State, and project office people.
4. Logically identify parts of NSSCI that meet needs.

**Team Goal**

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Devise an implementation plan and a Draft Requirement Statement (DRS) for populating the NSSCI into NASIS.

1. Present three options
2. Show implementation phases for each option
3. Approximate time needed to complete each phase
4. Present staff options for implementation; i.e. who will perform the population into NASIS.

**Time Agenda**

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January 1994 - Identify team members and begin discussions.  
February 1994 - Bring in Gary Spivak and Andy Goodwin for one week for discussions.  
February 1994 - Work on DRS.  
March 1994 - Walkthrough with Soils Business Area Analysis Group (SBAAG)  
March 1994 - Disband team.

*System Analysis*