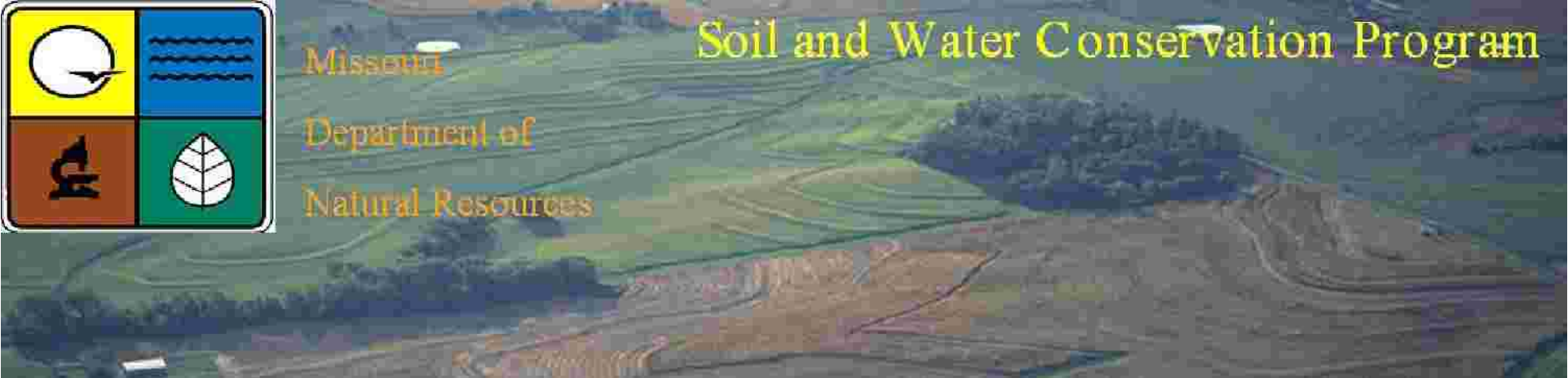


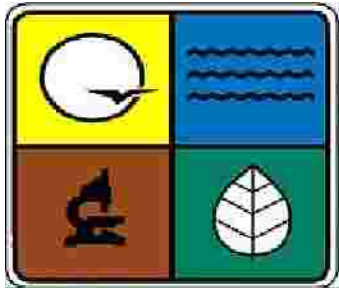
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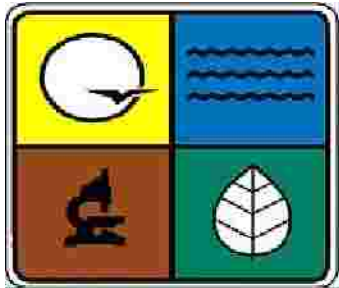
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The Missouri SWCD Computing Network



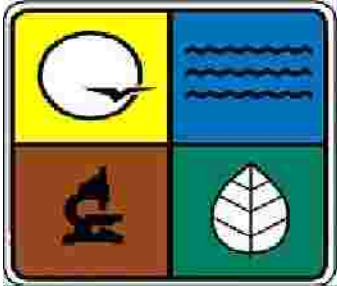
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- NRCS informed the Missouri Soil and Water Conservation Program that in the past NRCS paid USDA IT around \$5000 per CCE seat (computer) regardless of the owner of the computer.
- NRCS asked for state agency/SWCD to pay for seat costs of district staff due to NRCS budget reductions starting October 1, 2007



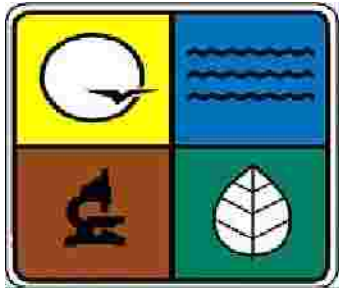
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- Based on this request we started reviewing our options for developing a network for the Missouri SWCD's.

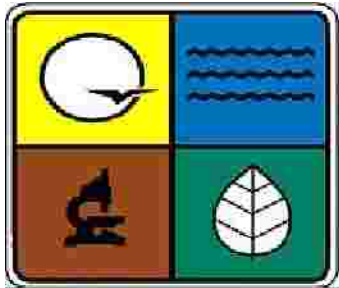


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What Does It Consist Of??

- Purchase and installation of DSL lines in 69 offices
- Utilizing 30 DSL connections owned by The Missouri Dept. of Conservation
- Purchase of Satellite or Cable internet in 13 offices
- Purchase of 313 computers
- Purchase of 116 all in one printers which included a copier, fax, and scanner
- Wiring to on average 3 employee workstations per 111 office location



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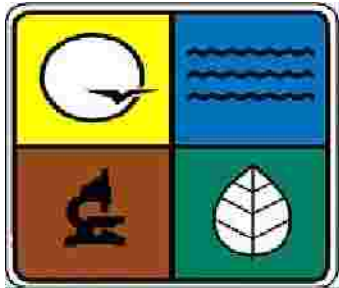
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Computers

- All computers were installed with the same software statewide.
- Included all applicable engineering and conservation design software that NRCS uses.
- Email, Microsoft Office, Accounting, and Cost-Share software was also installed.
- Did not include ArcGIS or Toolkit.



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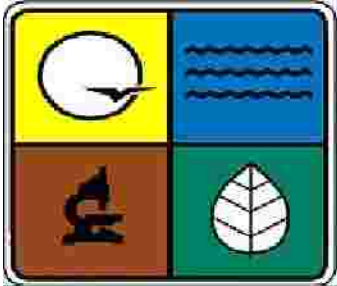
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IT Support

- IT support for the MO SWCD network is provided by the Office of Administration of the State of Missouri Information Technology Services Division.
- Most of the support will be done remotely .



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Partnerships

- Missouri Department of Conservation had DSL lines in 30 USDA locations to date which we have been able to utilize
- NRCS has stated that District personnel will be able to log-on to NRCS employee computers to access Toolkit and ArcGIS