NRCS Update
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USDA Priorities

Ensure Equity in delivery and implementation of NRCS programs and services

Climate Smart Agriculture and Forestry support to producers in mitigating climate change and building resiliency

Expand conservation tools and support to address the unique needs of urban farmers and communities

Workforce that is complete and diverse with the training, tools, and technologies to uphold the scientific integrity of NRCS

Leverage innovative partnership to expand NRCS ability to get conservation on the ground effectively and efficiently
New initiatives

- Urban Agriculture
- Organic Production
- Nutrient Loss Action Plan
  - Nitrogen fertilizer response
  - National campaign for Nutrient Management (NMP)
- Program Flexibilities for contracting cover crops and conservation crop rotation
- Climate focused practices, enhancements and bundles
Conservation Activities

- Conservation Planning Activity CPA
- Design and Implementation Activity DIA
- Conservation evaluation and monitoring Activity CEMA

CNMP 102 is now CPA 102 and DIA 101
NMP 104 is now DIA 157
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