

US Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Staffing Updates

State Conservationists Staff:

- Ron Alvarado, STC, is on detail at NHQ through December.
- Jason Jeans is acting STC.

Management and Strategy (Admin)

- Cory Owens is acting ASTC Management and Strategy
- Adam Rickard, Fiscal Specialist. He is a contractor.

Partnership and Outreach

- Lauren Bennett replaces Tracy Robillard at Public Affairs Officer

Programs Staff

- Mary Beth Smith, EQIP manager, retires in January
- Chris Chapa replaces Bari Williams as new easement programs specialist
- Tom Miewald, new RCPP coordinator
- Brian Bennett replaces Roslyn Gray as new wetlands engineer
- Chris Reidy, wetlands planner

Technology Staff

- Arun Jani, state agronomist
- Mike Petrozza, state archaeologist
- Ed Burns replaces Chris Hamilton as state biologist
- Antonio Bentivoglio replaces Gary Diridoni as state compliance specialist

Soils

- Jericho Winter, acting state soil scientists

Snow Survey

- Matthew Warbritton, Allen Buckman, Nick Steele, and Zoe Wellschlager are all new hydrologists

Engineering

- Molly Dawson, new state engineer
- Michael Ward replaces Meghan Walter as state hydraulic engineer

Watershed Planning

- Gary Diridoni replaces Tom Makowski as ASTC Watershed Planning
- Scarlett Vallaire, new watershed planner

Plant Materials Center

- Amy Bartow replaces Annie Young Mathews as PMC manager
- Ian Silvernail, new study leader

Acronym key:

STC: state conservationist

NHQ: national headquarters

ASTC: assistant state conservationist

EQIP: environmental quality incentive program

RCCP: regional conservation partnership program

PMC: plant materials center