







The Rolling Hills Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D) is part of the RC&D initiative established in 1962 to assist the public in caring for and protecting the regions national resources. Rolling Hills is one of 11 RC&D councils active in the state of Georgia. Rolling Hills serves a nine- county area in NW Georgia, namely Bartow, Carroll, Coweta, Douglas, Floyd, Haralson, Heard, Paulding, and Polk counties. Rolling Hills RC&D owns, maintains, and leases no-till planters (drills) in our the nine-county area. Rolling Hills partners with the Coosa and West GA. Soil and Water Conservation Districts on area projects. Rolling Hills works especially close with the Natural Resource Conservation Service branch of the USDA. Rolling Hills currently has 3 grants in partnership with the Natural Resource Conservation Service. The first grant assists with conversion of Tall Fescue acreage to Novel Endophyte Fescue. We then have our solar cattle watering system. This system is designed to protect surface water from animal related pollution while using solar power to provide clean water to animals. Rolling Hills has recently been awarded a NRCS grant to host meetings to introduce NRCS and their programs to historically underserved farmers. This includes new and beginning farmers, veterans, and minorities.



Natural Resource Conservation Service

NRCS provides America's farmers and ranchers with financial and technical assistance to voluntarily put conservation on the ground, not only helping the environment but agricultural operations too. NRCS works with landowners through the Environmental Quality Incentive cost share Program (EQIP). The EQIP programs popular practices include planting cover crops, prescribed burning, high tunnel hoop houses, heavy use area pads, fencing, installing water troughs, organic initiatives, poultry litter stack houses, and micro irrigation. NRCS programs such as EQIP provide resources for small farms and large farms alike. If you are interested in partnering with NRCS please visit your local office or their website www.nrcs.usda.gov and search EQIP. NRCS is making a commitment to address circumstances and concerns of "historically underserved producers". These groups include Beginning Farmers and Ranchers, Limited resource Farmers and Ranchers, Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers, and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers. For more information visit the NRCS website and search Historically Underserved.

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