

Soil Health Initiative

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- Soil, Air, Water (quality and quantity), Plant, animals**
- Approach**
 - Local connection
 - Producer to Producer
 - Local field days
 - Continued Partnership development



□ First Steps

- NRCS Soil Health Specialist (Aaron Hird)
- Cooperative position with NRCS Outreach and education
 - 50 Percent funded by NRCS up to 3 years
- Establishment of Observation Farms
 - NRCS EQIP lead and others
 - On farm research extension



Next Steps

- Soil Health Initiative Summit (July or August)
- Steering Committees for Observation farm areas
- Partnership employee progress
- Soil Health Training internal and external





Questions?

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