

Regional Conservation Partnership Program

Investing in Mississippi



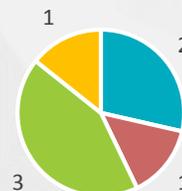
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Created by the 2014 Farm Bill, the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) is a partner-driven, locally-led approach to conservation. It offers new opportunities for USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to harness innovation, welcome new partners to the conservation mission, and demonstrates the value and efficacy of voluntary, private lands conservation.

In 2017, NRCS is investing up to \$225 million in 88 projects that impact nearly every state in the nation. Since 2014, NRCS has invested more than \$825 million in 286 high-impact projects, bringing together more than 2,000 conservation partners who have invested an additional \$1.4 billion. By 2018, NRCS and partners will have invested at least \$2.4 billion. These projects are leading to cleaner and more abundant water, better soil and air quality, enhance wildlife habitat, more resilient and productive agricultural lands and stronger rural economies.

Mississippi Projects to Date

Projects by Resource Concern



- Soil Health
- Water Quality
- Wildlife Habitat
- Water Quantity

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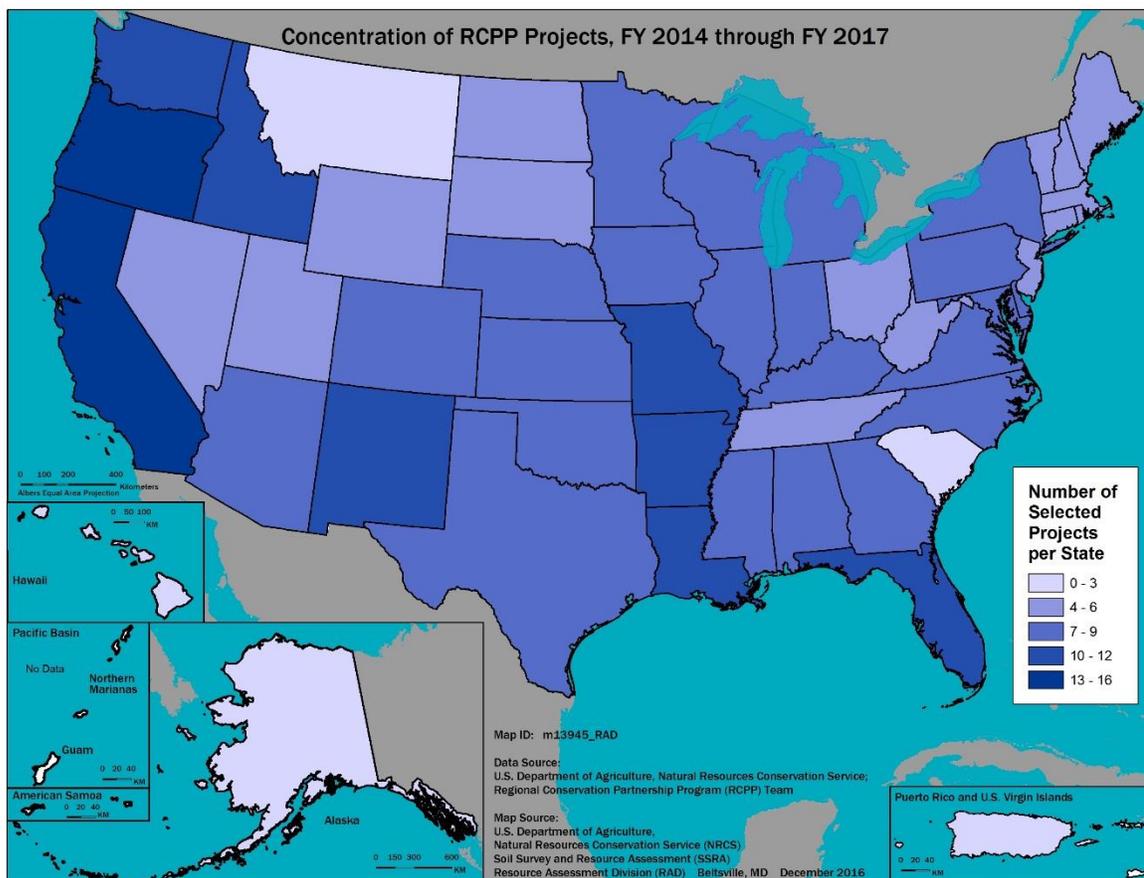
Projects

\$20.2
million

NRCS Investment

94

Partners



Existing RCPP Projects

Year	Title	Funding Pool	Lead Partner	Number of Partners	NRCS Investment	Resource Concern
2016	Mississippi Grazing Land Management	State	National Center for Appropriate Technology	2	\$275,000	Soil health
2016	North Mississippi Kudzu Control Project	State	North Central Mississippi Resource Conservation & Development	18	\$200,000	Soil health
2016	RCPP-Skuna River Watershed Project	State	Mississippi Soil and Water Conservation Commission	3	\$339,000	Water Quality Degradation
2016	Southern Sentinel Landscapes Conservation	National	U.S. Endowment for Forestry and Communities	20	\$7.5 million	At risk species habitat
2014/2015	Migratory Bird Habitat Creation in the Lower Mississippi River Valley	State	Mississippi Fish and Wildlife Foundation	5	\$900,000	Declining Wildlife Habitats
2014/2015	Wetland Habitat Restoration for Wildlife and Water Resources	State	Delta Wildlife, Inc.	7	\$1 million	Declining Wildlife Habitats
2014/2015	Rice Stewardship Partnership - Sustaining the Future of Rice	National	Ducks Unlimited	39	\$10 million	Water Quantity

