

# Another Conservation Success Story...

## Cobb County, Georgia

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### Goat Farming at Rosewood Farms in Cobb County

Thanks to Natural Resource Conservation Service's (NRCS) Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP), Charline Cambron of Rosewood Farm in Cobb County is able to prosper in the goat farming business.

cal advice were invaluable aids for her farming goals.

The EQIP program enabled Rosewood Farm to make more pastureland available to the animals through improved fencing, nutrient management, a stream crossing, use exclusion areas, a new well and watering trough. The availability of multiple pastures is crucial for rotational grazing,



One of the 33 baby goats on Rosewood Farm.

**Charline Cambron owns and operates the Rosewood Farm in Cobb County. Rosewood Farm has been in her family since 1958.**



which is vital to avoid parasitic infestations. Charline currently has a stock of 2 billies, 30 breeders, 33 babies, and 6 yearlings. She runs the

**EQIP**  
The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) was reauthorized in the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Farm Bill) to provide a voluntary conservation program for farmers and ranchers that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible national goals.

EQIP offers financial and technical help to assist eligible participants install or implement structural and management practices on eligible agricultural land.

EQIP may cost-share up to 75 percent of the costs of certain conservation practices. Incentive payments may be provided for up to three years to encourage producers to carry out management practices they may not otherwise use without the incentive.

Charline's family has owned Rosewood Farm since 1958. After her parents' passing she decided to keep the farm and make a go of it.

That's when NRCS District Conservationist, Valerie Pickard of Marietta and the EQIP program came to the rescue.

The cost sharing and techni-

farm with help from her husband, brother and three "guardian" dogs.

The three dogs provide additional security for the goats while they are in the pasture. She breeds the goats twice a year and shows some of the prize goats in addition to working at a full-time job.



Guardian dogs help Charline and her husband run Rosewood Farm.



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