

Block Diagrams

Block diagrams may be drawn from scratch or copied from previously published reports and edited to reflect soil characteristics in your survey area. Refer to the Block Diagram Guide for examples and procedures.

Once the diagram has been completed, it should be scanned at 150 dpi and at publication size in a jpeg (.jpg) format. They are to be sent to the National Cartographic and Geospatial Center (NCGC), Ft. Worth, Texas for completion. You can complete this step directly or submit the material to the MO for processing.

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Simply, attach the scanned diagram and request in the e-mail message that a "check print" be prepared. This process will take about 2 to 4 months. The diagrams may also be faxed to NCGC. You may want to consider circulating the diagrams to the correlation team, MLRA Project Leader, Soil Data Quality Specialist, State Soil Scientist, Resource Soil Scientist, etc. for suggestions or input prior to submission to NCGC.

Once the diagram has been returned to you, carefully review for correctness and completeness. Once quality assurance has been completed by the Soil Data Quality Specialist and final corrections made, the materials may be returned to NCGC using the same procedure. At this time a request for "final prints" is made.

A line drawing and an electronic copy of the diagram will be returned. These materials are to be provided to the SDQS for their technical review and submission to the editor.