

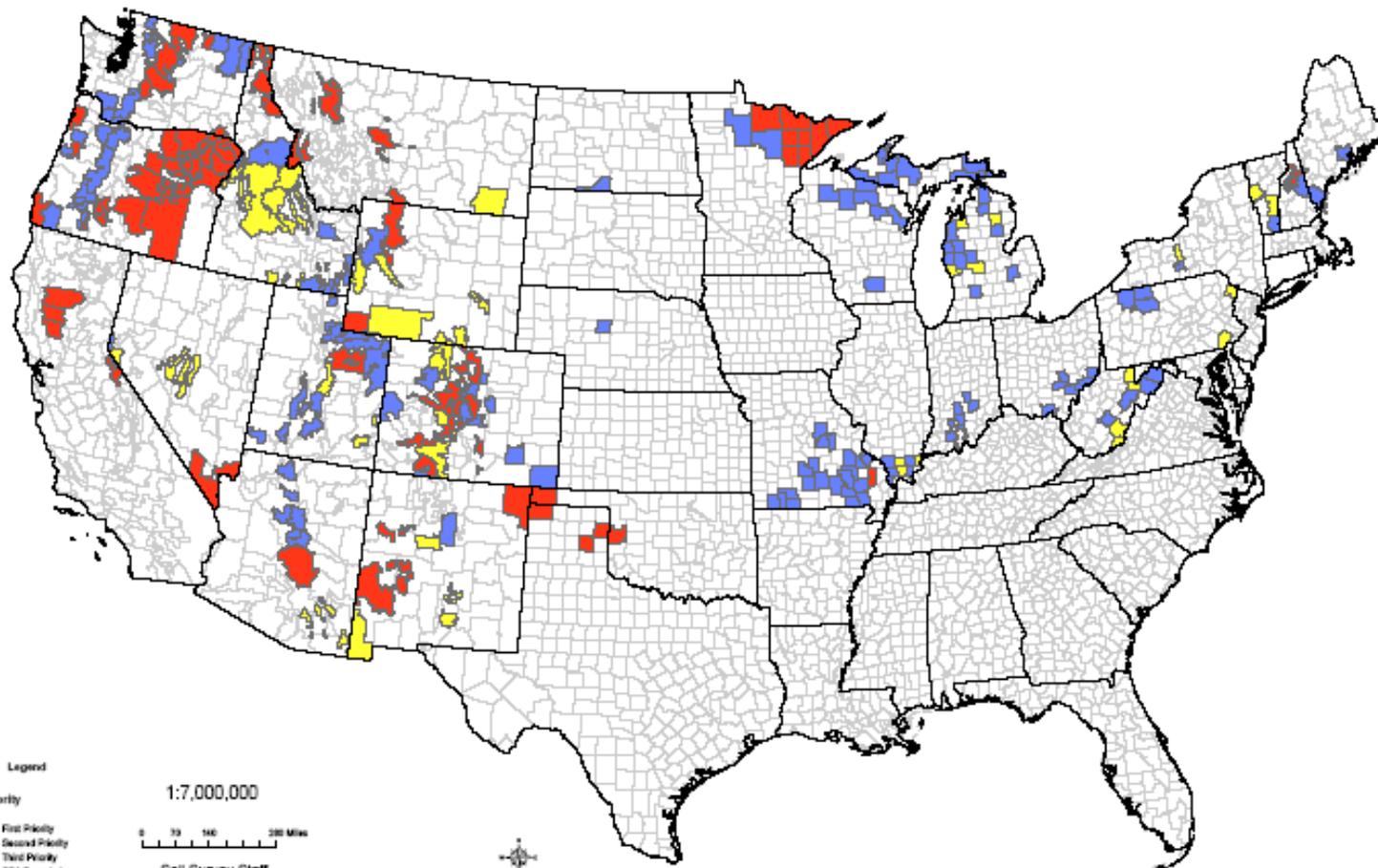
USDA Forest Service Southern Region Soils Program

Status and Highlights
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USDA Forest Service Soil Survey Priorities - (Conterminous U.S.)



Total Land Base

- (NF's Acres): 12,547,760 (38,000 NGL acres)
- Number of National Forests: 32
- Number of Administrative units: 15
- Number of National Grasslands: 2 (Caddo & LBJ)

Southern Region's Major Geographic Provinces

- ❖ Boston Mountain
- ❖ Ouachita Mountain
- ❖ Ridge and Valley
- ❖ Gulf Coastal Plains
- ❖ Atlantic Coastal Plains
- ❖ Piedmont
- ❖ Blue Ridge Mountain

Southern Region Soil Survey Accomplishments

National Forest	State	County	MLRA	Status	Acreage
NFs in AL	Alabama	Wintson	AL 133	Update	88,780
		Bibb	AL 007	Update	60,710
El Yunque	Puerto Rico				
Chatt/Oco	Georgia	Murray and Whitfield	GA 648	Update	62,645
Cherokee	Tennessee	Unicoi		Update	
DB NF	Kentucky	Menifee		Update	25,000
NFs in FL	Florida	Liberty	FL 077	Update	265,900
Ocala NF	FL	Lake, Marion and Putnam	FL 609	Update	372,700

Southern Region Soil Survey Accomplishments

National Forest	State	County		MLRA		Status	Acreage
FMS NFs	South Carolina						
GW/Jeff NFs	Virginia						
Kisatchie NF	Louisiana						
NFs in MS	Mississippi	Jasper				Ongoing	85,299
		Green				Ongoing	33,400
		Jackson				Un-pub	22,974
		Perry				Un-pub	162,821
		Smith				Un-pub	72,676

Southern Region Soil Survey Accomplishments

National Forest	State	County	MLRA	Status	Acreage
		Sharkey		1960-pub	60,215
		Wayne		Ongoing	90,146
		Stone		Un-pub	54,919
		Franklin		Need digitizing	95,596
		Wilkinson			28,586
		Winston			
NFs in NC	North Carolina	Henderson	NC089	Update	17,295

Southern Region Soil Survey Accomplishments

National Forest	State	County		MLRA		Status	Acreage
		Cherokee		NC039		Ongoing	93,058
Ouchita	Arkansas	Yell				Update	110,000
		Perry					90,000
Oz/St Francis	Arkansas	Washington		AR143		Update	21,681
NFGT	Texas	Shelby		TX419		Update	67,792
		Walker		TX471		Update	54,074
		Dallam		TX111		Update	77,463
		Gray		TX179		Update	1,124

Southern Region Soil Survey Accomplishments

National Forest	State	County	MLRA	Status	Acreage
		Hemphill	TX211	Update	576
		Montague	TX337	Update	61
LBL	Kentucky and Tennessee	Stewart		Ongoing	35,000

National Accomplishments 2007 -2008

- ❖ NRIS/NASIS database integration moving forward
- ❖ Cooperating on MO Reviews and technical support
- ❖ Moving forward with liaison soil survey positions for coordination and correlation activities
- ❖ Collaborating on the ESD policy and Interagency Manual
- ❖ Revision of the Forest Service Soil Management Policy
- ❖ Promoting the use of the TEUI Geospatial Toolkit
- ❖ Draft MOU Amendment 2
 - Renews FS commitment to the completion of the initial inventory
 - Updates initial soil survey completion date
 - Includes the completion of ESDs
 - Establishes Forest Service role in quality control for correlation activities

The Road Ahead!

- **Fill interagency technical liaison positions**
- **Sign MO MOUs**
- **Fund the Interagency Accelerated Soil and Terrestrial Ecological Inventory Initiative**
- **Complete the integration of NRIS/NASIS databases**
- **Implement an aggressive ESD strategy**



Questions?

