

## WIN\_PST 3.1

### Instructions for Installing WIN-PST on NON-USDA Computers

The national WIN-PST 3.1 site is located at:

- <http://go.usa.gov/Kok>

A) Download the “WIN-PST User Help Guide” from the National Win-PST website. This large document (123 pages) is mostly definitions.

- [http://nitcnrcsbase-www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb1044485.pdf](http://nitcnrcsbase-www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb1044485.pdf)

B) Download and install the software

1. Click on WIN-PST 3.1.13 and run or save and run later.
  - Once opened, the Install Wizard screen will lead you through the installation process.
2. Click on the WIN-PST 3.1.2 Patch and save to a folder or your desktop.
  - Double clicking on the saved patch will start the installation process.

2 **If you have already installed WIN-PST version 3.1.13**, download the patch [WIN-PST 3.1.2 patch](#).

Save the patch to a folder or your desktop and double click on the patch. This will start the install. If you have not installed WIN-PST version 3.1.13 yet:

1 **Install WIN-PST 3.1.13** first. Note:  
If you are running Windows 7 64, WIN-PST 3.1.13 will not run but is necessary to complete the 3.1.2 patch installation. After version 3.1.13 is installed, download and install the WIN-PST 3.1.2 patch using the instructions above.

C) Download the latest pesticide data update to your computer

1. Print the “Instructions for updating WIN-PST 3.1 Pesticide Data” from the National TSP website.
  - [http://nitcnrcsbase-www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb1044488.pdf](http://nitcnrcsbase-www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb1044488.pdf)
2. On the National Win-PST website. The pesticide database update is located towards the bottom of the page

Download:

[WIN-PST 3.1 Pesticide Update 2-8-13](#)

D) Download your county soils database(s) to your computer

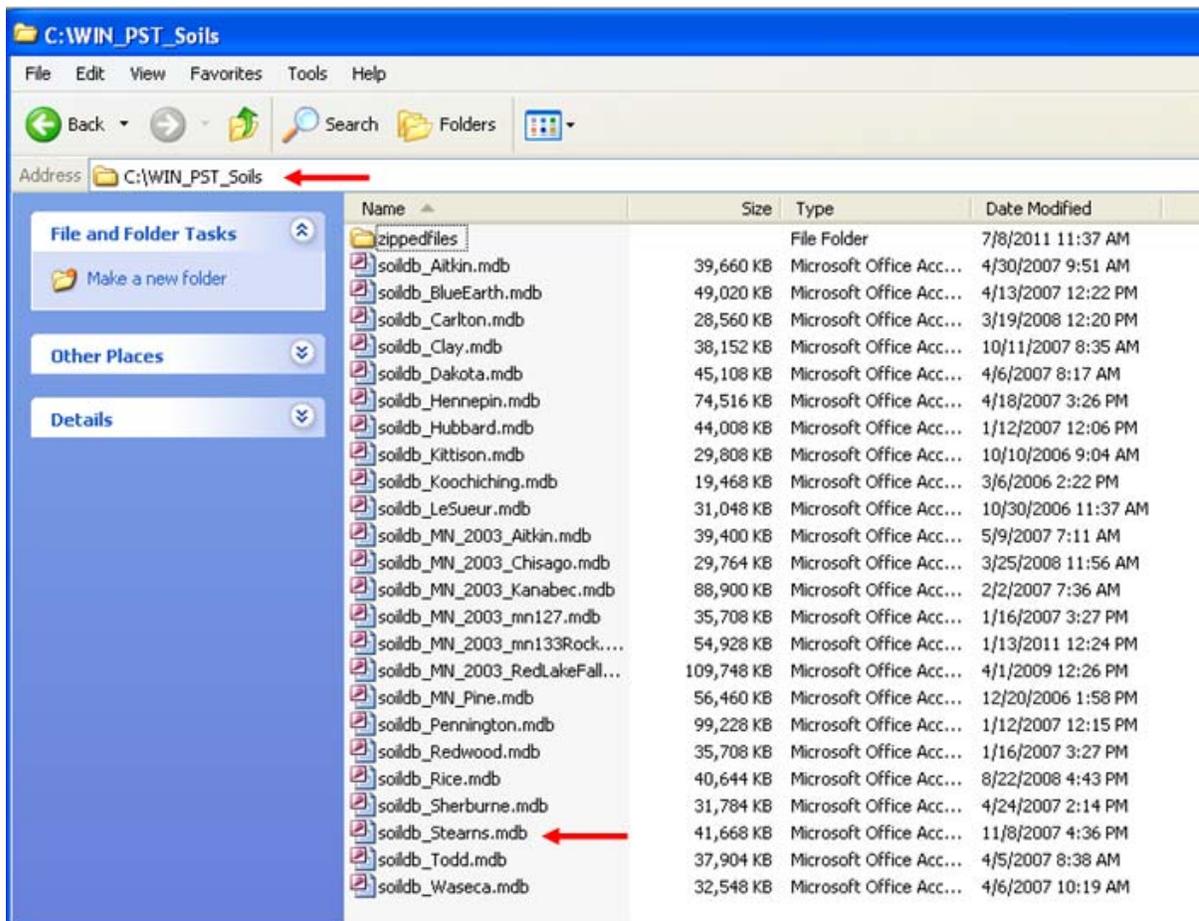
1. On your C drive (or wherever you want to store your data), create a new folder called **Win\_Pst\_Soils**.
2. Download the soils. Minnesota County soil databases can be obtained from the NRCS Minnesota webpage
  - [http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/mn/technical/?cid=nrcs142p2\\_023703](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/mn/technical/?cid=nrcs142p2_023703)
  - Navigate to the Minnesota Win\_PST site and pan down. A list of Minnesota Counties appears. The county soil databases at this site are “zipped” files. The files must be “unzipped” to convert them to files with an .mdb extension (to import into WIN-PST 3.1).

FIPs	County/Inset Name	Soils Zip Files
MN001	Aitkin	(5.35 MB)
MN003	Anoka	(5.08 MB)
MN005	Becker	(8.71 MB)
MN007	Beltrami	(6.60 MB)
MN009	Benton	(11.4 MB)

- For purposes of these instructions, we will use Stearns County.
  - Left-mouse Click on **Stearns** County
  - The following dialog box will open, prompting you to save or open the zipped mdb file.



- Save the zipped file to the to the **Win\_Pst\_Soils** folder you created in Step D.1 above and then extract or unzip it. In the example below Stearns was saved to a zipped file subfolder and then opened and saved to the main folder. (If you are working with multiple counties you may want to rename the file from its numeric code (e.g. mn145 for Stearns) to the county name. Note that the unzipped file is now an mdb file.
  - We recommended that you download and extract/unzip all of the soils that you will need at this time to save time relearning the process later.

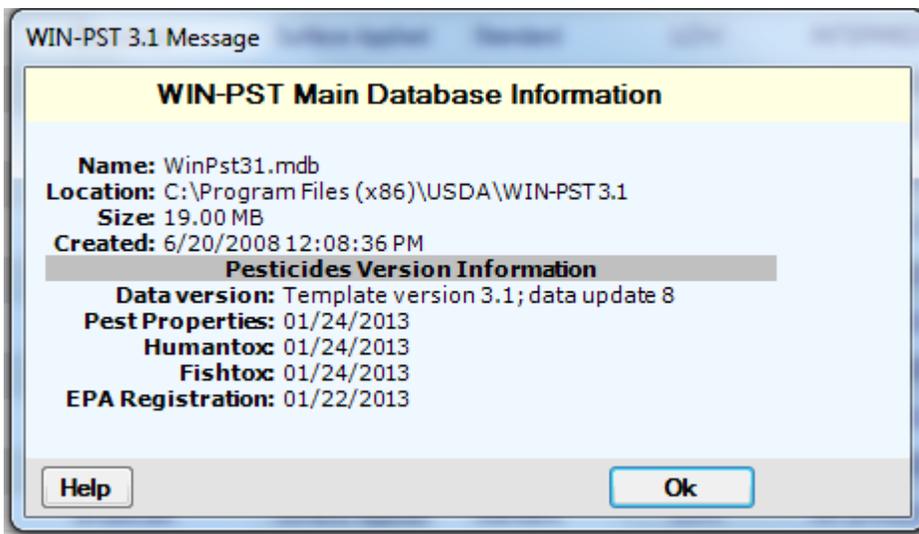


E) Open Win-PST 3.1 and load the Minnesota County soils .mdb file of interest into WIN-PST 3.1

1. Review the “Loading Soils into WIN-PST 3.1” ppt. on the Minnesota WIN-PST site.
2. Install.

F) Open Win-PST 3.1 and import the latest pesticide properties database

1. Review the instructions you downloaded earlier from the national WIN-PST site.
2. Install.
3. If done correctly your WIN-PST Main Database information screen should look something like below (as of July 2013).
  - Access your main database information in WIN-PST-3.1 by clicking on “Help”; then “Database Information”; and then “WIN-PST Main database”.



G) You are now ready to use WIN-PST 3.1.