

NRCS Resource Concern List

FY 2026

Soil Category

Soil Erosion Concerns

- ☐ Sheet and rill erosion
- ☐ Wind Erosion
- ☐ Ephemeral Gully Erosion
- ☐ Classic gully erosion
- ☐ Bank erosion from streams, shorelines or water conveyance channels

Soil Health Concerns

- ☐ Subsidence
- ☐ Compaction
- ☐ Organic matter depletion
- ☐ Concentration of salts or other chemicals
- ☐ Soil organism habitat loss or degradation
- ☐ Aggregate instability

Water Category

Water Quantity Concerns

- ☐ Ponding and flooding
- ☐ Seasonal high-water table
- ☐ Seeps
- ☐ Drifted snow
- ☐ Surface water depletion
- ☐ Groundwater depletion
- ☐ Naturally available moisture use
- ☐ Inefficient Irrigation water use

Water Quality Concerns

- ☐ Nutrients transported to surface water
- ☐ Nutrients transported to groundwater
- ☐ Pesticides transported to surface water
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- ☐ Pathogens and chemicals from manure, bio-solids, or compost applications transported to surface water

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- ☐ Salts transported to surface water
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- ☐ Petroleum, heavy metals, and other pollutants transported to surface water
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- ☐ Sediment transported to surface water

Air Category

Air Quality Concerns

- ☐ Emissions of particulate matter (PM) and PM precursors
- ☐ Emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs)
- ☐ Emissions of ozone precursors
- ☐ Objectionable odor
- ☐ Emissions of airborne reactive nitrogen

Plant Category

Plant Health Concerns

- ☐ Plant productivity and health
- ☐ Plant structure and composition
- ☐ Plant pest pressure

Wildfire Hazard Concern

- ☐ Wildfire hazard from biomass accumulation

Animal Category

Terrestrial Habitat Concern

- ☐ Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates

Aquatic Habitat Concerns

- ☐ Aquatic habitat for fish and other organisms
- ☐ Elevated water temperature

Livestock Health Concerns

- ☐ Feed and forage balance
- ☐ Inadequate livestock shelter
- ☐ Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution

Energy Category

Energy Use Concerns

- ☐ Energy efficiency of equipment and facilities
- ☐ Energy efficiency of farming/ranching practices and field operations

Agricultural Land Loss

- ☐ Land Protections (easements)