



NACD Soil Health/Natural Resources Conservation Reading List

Book Title	Author
A Green History of the World	Clive Ponting
A Sand County Almanac	Aldo Leopold
A Soil Owner's Manual: How to Restore and Maintain Soil Health	Jon Stika
Aldo Leopold: The Man and His Legacy	Thomas Tanner
Attracting Beneficial Bugs to Your Garden: A Natural Approach to Pest Control	Jessica Wallister
Before You Have a Cow	Allen Williams and Teddy Gentry
Braiding Sweetgrass	Robin Wall Kimmerer
Building Soils for Better Crops: Sustainable Soil Management	Fred Magdoff and Harold van Es
Capturing Sunlight: Skills & Ideas for Intensive Grazing, Sustainable Pastures, Healthy Soils, & Grassfed Livestock - Book 1	Woody Lane, PhD
Capturing Sunlight: Topics for Modern Graziers, from Pasture Walks, Mob Grazing, & Nutrition to New Forages & Toxic Plants - Book 2	Woody Lane, PhD
Cells, Gels, and the Engines of Life	Gerald Pollack
Comeback Farms: Rejuvenating Soils, Pastures and Profits with Livestock Grazing Management	Greg Judy
Committed to Conservation: 50 Years of Work to Help Protect America's Soil and Water	R. Neil Sampson and Robert W. Sampson
Conflict, Social Capital and Managing Natural Resources: A West African Case Study	Keith M. Moore
Cows Save the Planet: And Other Improbable Ways of Restoring Soil to Heal the Earth	Judith D. Schwartz
Crop Rotation on Organic Farms	Charles L. Mohler, Sue Ellen Johnson
Dirt to Soil: One Family's Journey into Regenerative Agriculture	Gabe Brown
Dirt: The Erosion of Civilizations	David Montgomery
Edible Landscaping with a Permaculture Twist: How to Have Your Yard and Eat It Too	Michael Judd
Farmacology: Total Health from the Ground Up	Daphne Miller
Farming with Soil Life	Created with SARE support, Jennifer Hopwood, Stephanie Frischie, Emily May, Eric Lee-Mader
Farmland or Wasteland: A Time to Choose	R. Neil Sampson
Folks, This Ain't Normal: A Farmer's Advice for Happier Hens, Healthier People and a Better World	Joel Salatin



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For Love of the Land: A History of the National Association of Conservation Districts	R. Neil Sampson
For the Love of Soil: Strategies to Regenerate Our Food Production Systems	Nicole Masters
Forest Health in the United States	R. Neil Sampson
Forty Chances: Finding Hope in a Hungry World	Howard G. Buffet
From Maverick to Mainstream: A History of No-Till Farming	Frank Lessiter
Gaia's Garden: A Guide to Home-Scale Permaculture	Toby Hemenway
Garden Revolution: How Our Landscapes Can Be a Source of Environmental Change	Larry Weaner and Thomas Christopher
Gardeners of Eden: Rediscovering Our Importance to Nature	Dan Dagget
Grass Productivity: An Introduction to Rational Grazing	Andre Voisin
Greening the Desert: Holistic Management in the Era of Climate Change	Allan Savory and Hildegard Hannum
Growing a Revolution: Bringing our Soil Back to Life	David Montgomery
Holistic Management: A Commonsense Revolution to Restore Our Environment (Third Edition)	Allan Savory
Holistic Management: A New Framework for Decision Making	Allan Savory
Holistic Resource Management	Allan Savory
Holy Shit: Managing Manure to Save Mankind	Gene Logsdon
Ice Sage: Living and Loving the Land	Levi Lyle*
Let the Water Do the Work: Induced Meandering, an Evolving Method for Restoring Incised Channels	Bill Zeedyk and Van Clothier
Manage Weeds on Your Farm: A Guide to Ecological Strategies	SARE Outreach and Charles L. Mohler, John R. Teasdale, Antonio DiTommaso
Management-Intensive Grazing: The Grassroots of Grass Farming	Jim Gerrish
Managing Cover Crops Profitably	SARE Outreach and Andy Clark
Mapping Wildfire Hazards and Risks	R. Neil Sampson, R. Dwight Atkinson, et.al.
No Dig Organic Home and Garden: Grow, Cook, Use, and Store Your Harvest	Charles Dowding and Stephanie Hafferty
No Risk Ranching: Custom Grazing on Leased Land	Greg Judy
The No-Till Organic Vegetable Farm	Daniel May
No-Till Intensive Vegetable Culture	Bryan O'Hara
Out on the Land: Sharing Conservation Secrets	Dr. Larry Butler



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Pastured Poultry Profit\$	Joel Salatin
Permaculture: A Practical Guide for a Sustainable Future	Bill Mollison
Planting in a Post-Wild World: Designing Plant Communities for Resilient Landscapes	Thomas Rainer and Claudia West
Quality Agriculture, Conversations about Regenerative Agronomy with Innovative Scientists and Growers	John Kempf
Rainwater Harvesting for Drylands and Beyond, Volume 1, 3rd Edition: Guiding Principles to Welcome Rain into Your Life and Landscape	Brad Lancaster
Rainwater Harvesting for Drylands and Beyond, Volume 2, 2nd Edition: Water-Harvesting Earthworks	Brad Lancaster
Regenerating Farms and Gardens: A Treasure Chest of Knowledge and Wisdom in Agronomy	DeVon Miller
Regenerative Agriculture - A Practical Whole Systems Guide to Making Small Farms Work	Richard Perkins
Restoring the Soil: How to Use Green Manure/Cover Crops to Fertilize the Soil and Overcome Droughts (2 editions)	Roland Bunch
So God Made a Farmer: A Retrospective on the Living Words of Paul harvey by an Organic Farmer	Levi Lyle*
Soil and Water Conservation: A Celebration of 75 Years	Jorge A. Delgado, Clark J. Gantzer, and Gretchen F. Sassenrath
Soil Fertility and Animal Health	William A. Albrecht, Ph.D.
Sowing Seeds in the Desert:Natural Farming, Global Restoration, and Ultimate Food Security	Masanobu Fukuoka
Swoope Almanac: Stories of Love, Land, and Water, in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley	Robert Whitescarver*
Teaming with Microbes: The Organic Gardener's Guide to the Soil Food Web	Jeff Lowenfels and Wayne Lewis
The Complete Guide to Restoring Your Soil	Dale Strickler
The Fourth Phase of Water	Gerald Pollack
The Gardener's Guide to Weather and Climate: How to Understand the Weather and Make It Work for You	Michael Allaby
The Hidden Half of Nature: The Microbial Roots of Life and Health	David Montgomery and Anne Biklé
The Land Remains: A Midwestern Perspective on Our Past and Future	Neil D. Hamilton
The Living Soil Handbook: The No-Till Grower's Guide to Ecological Market Gardening	Jesse Frost
The Milkweed Lands	Eric Lee-Mäder



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The One-Straw Revolution: An Introduction to Natural Farming	Masanobu Fukuoka
The River Knows: How Water and Land Will Shape Our Futures	Neil D. Hamilton
The Road Back to Nature: Regaining the Paradise Lost	Masanobu Fukuoka
The Soil Will Save Us	Kirstin Ohlson
The Wildlife-Friendly Vegetable Gardener: How to Grow Food in Harmony with Nature	Tammi Hartung
The Year-Round Vegetable Gardener: How to Grow Your Own Food 365 Days a Year, No Matter Where You Live	Niki Jabbour
What Your Food Ate: How to Heal Our Land and Reclaim Our Health	David Montgomery and Anne Biklé
With One Vocie: The National Association of Conservation Districts	R. Neil Sampson
Youth Renewing the Countryside	Renewing the Countryside, David Holman, Lisa Bauer, Valerie Berton, Johanna Divine, Jan Joannides

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