



Natural Resources Conservation Service
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A Special Thank You to California Earth Team Volunteers

As we celebrate National Volunteer Week, I am pleased to have this opportunity to say, "thank you" for your dedication and contributions to California NRCS. Volunteers are a key member of the conservation team and will continue to play an important role.

In working as an Earth Team Volunteer, you have helped raise public awareness of the need to use our resources wisely. Your volunteer contribution is appreciated. Already this year (from October 2001 to March 2002) we have had 445 volunteers working in 85% of our field offices, contribute over 26,000 hours. We hope in return that you are gaining some benefits as well.

Thank you again for your generous contributions. You are working not only to preserve natural resources for today, but to also assure their wise use for future generations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charles W. Bell".

Charles W. Bell
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