proxies from surface (modern) soil systems useful for interpreting changes in environmental conditions recorded in paleosols...” as an area of needed productive scientific growth (Nordt and Driese, 2013). We need present-day soil scientists to help refine the calibration of paleoclimate proxies—and hence the predictability of climate models themselves. This follow-up meeting could be convened as a joint GSA Penrose Conference and SSSA specialty conference and emphasize the value of a deep-time critical zone observatory and how the geological context of paleosols can inform modern day soil scientists who focus on carbon, energy, and water exchange in a variety of agricultural and non-agricultural settings. We hope to provoke the scientific communities dealing with near-surface processes, both modern and paleo, to combine efforts and intellectual energies, and to cross the great divide between soil sciences and geosciences. Substantial activities are being undertaken by these two scholarly groups, and they can be more successful with collaborative interest and ideas from the communities that drive answers to scientific questions.

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Fig. 2. Examples of modern soil and paleosol profiles.

Call for Nominations: Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management Co-Editor

ASA and CSSA are seeking an individual to serve as Co-Editor of Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management. This editorial position is for a three-year term to begin 1 Jan. 2015. The Co-Editor will primarily handle journal submissions focused on crop management. Candidates are expected to be visionary, as our publications continue to experience rapid changes in scientific content delivery as well as publishing models. In addition, there is fierce competition for authors and readers. Prior editorial experience with ASA, CSSA, or SSSA publications or those having similar subject matter/structure is expected.

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• Co-chairing the journal’s editorial board
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• Appointing Associate Editors to the journal’s editorial board on behalf of the ASA and CSSA presidents
• Serving as a member of the Societies’ Editorial Affairs, Policies, and Practices Committee
• Serving as a liaison to other societies and individuals to ensure the international and multidisciplinary scope of the journal’s content and subscription base.

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