Goals and Policy Directives
Washington Society of Professional Soil Scientists

The Washington Society of Professional Soil Scientists (WSPSS), which has been in existence since 1974, established some goals and policy directives at its October 1978 meeting. The participants in this action were Louis Halloin, President; Thomas Reedy, Vice President; Alan Goldin, Secretary-Treasurer; and Board of Directors L.D. “Bud” Giese, Carl McMurphy, and Allen Zulauf.

**Goal I:** Encourage professionalism among soil scientists.

Policy directives:
1. Establish a means of distributing pertinent research information among members.
2. Provide opportunities for members to participate in current developments in soils through seminars and field trips.
3. Encourage individuals involved in related disciplines, such as forestry and geology, to become associate members.
4. Encourage members to contribute articles to *Soil Survey Horizons*.

**Goal II:** Generate interest in soils as a resource.

Policy directives:
1. Establish an educational program to reach out to the general public, such as through slide presentations and brochures.

**Goal III:** Encourage a relationship with the American Registry of Certified Professionals in Agronomy, Crops and Soils (ARCPACS).

Policy directives:
1. WSPSS members should be encouraged to register with ARCPACS with the ultimate objective of all members being registered soil scientists.
2. WSPSS should develop a formal tie with ARCPACS as its Washington State chapter.

**Goal IV:** Establish a method of communicating with members and other organizations.

Policy directives:
1. The Soil Science Society of America should be encouraged to permit WSPSS to use *Soil Survey Horizons* as the official newsletter of WSPSS.
2. Communication with members shall be as needed.

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