News and Announcements

Soil Scientists to Change Their Job

Washington

Two field soil scientists from the State of Washington are taking leave from their jobs with the Soil Conservation Service to further their education. Alan Goldin, Bellingham, is working a reduced schedule and working for an advanced degree at the Univ. of British Columbia at Vancouver, B.C., and Joe DeFrancisco, Inchelium, is on educational leave and studying at the Oregon State Univ. at Corvallis, Oregon.

New Mexico

Steve Sellnow, SCS, area soil scientist, Tucumcari, N.M. is returning to Minnesota as a District Conservationist.

Dale Swanson, BIA soil scientist, Jicarilla Apache Agency, is transferring to Santa Fe to work with the Northern Pueblos Agency.

Carol Taschek, SCS, soil scientist, Chama, N.M., is moving to Santa Fe, as a soil conservationist.

Oran Bailey, former New Mexico State soil scientist, is doing consulting soils work for the State Engineer, concerning water rights.

Charles Diebold, retired SCS and FS soil scientist, was recently recognized in the Albuquerque Journal for his continuing overseas soils activities with his church.

The Official State Soil of Wisconsin is Now the Antigo Silt Loam

Francis D. Hole

At 10 a.m. on Friday morning, Sept. 9, 1983, Anthony Earl, Governor of Wisconsin walked from his office into the crowded, stately conference chamber and sat down at a polished table to sign Senate Bill 89 designating the Antigo silt loam (fine-silty over sandy or sandy skeletal, mixed Typic Glossoboralfs) as the state soil. With a twinkle in his eye he began: "I suppose that this is a dirty job that someone has to do! Joking aside, I

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