New Editor for *Soil Survey Horizons* Named

Gerald A. Miller was unanimously approved by the Editorial Board as the new editor of *Soil Survey Horizons*. Miller assumed the new duties on Dec. 2, 1986 at the Div. S-5 business meeting of the Soil Science Society of America in New Orleans, LA where the announcement was made. Miller has performed admirably as the associate editor for the North Central Region since the fall of 1980.

Miller is professor and extension agronomist in the Dep. of Agronomy, Iowa State University. He is a native of Rockingham County, VA where he was reared and employed on a general livestock, poultry, and grain farm. He received a B.S. degree in agronomy from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in 1965; an M.S. degree in 1971, and a Ph.D. degree in 1974 in soil morphology and genesis from Iowa State University. He is a Certified Professional Soil Scientist and a member of several honorary, scientific, and professional societies.

I hope that everyone will give him the support and courtesies that you have shown me. Your continued support of *Soil Survey Horizons* will help sustain it as a viable publication and an additional avenue for scientific communication. It has been a pleasure serving you.

James F. Brasfield, former editor
*Soil Survey Horizons*

Texans Request Advice About Naming a State Soil

John M. Galbraith

The Professional Soil Scientists Association of Texas (PSSAT) will be studying the possibility of proposing a state soil for Texas. We understand that the process can be quite long and tedious. Therefore, we would like the advice of any groups or individuals who have attempted or succeeded in having a state soil named for their state.

We are primarily interested in suggestions to make the process shorter or easier. Secondly, we would like to hear the pros and cons of the effort required to name a state soil. Was the reward worth all of the work?

Send opinions, experiences, and advice to: John Galbraith; Rt. 1; Box 114B; Karnes City, TX 78118.

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