



Our Vision:

“Balancing Growth and Development with a Quality Environment”

Our Mission:

“To enhance the quality of life for the people of the Virgin Islands Resource Conservation & Development Area through the conservation of natural and cultural resources and the stimulation of growth and development.”

Our Motto:

“Making Things Happen”

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Area-Wide Conservation Planning Training



May 23 – 25, 2006

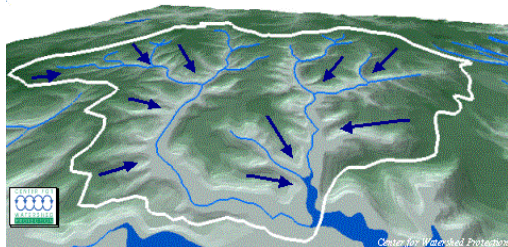
**UVI St. Croix
Room 401 (Theater),
May 23rd & 24th
Research & Extension Center
Room 133, May 25th**

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Area-Wide Conservation Planning Training



The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), in cooperation with VI RC&D, DPNR-CZM, and SEA, is offering Area-Wide Conservation Planning Training in support of the Virgin Islands Land-Based Sources of Pollution Local Action Strategy. The training is designed to help build technical capacity in the Virgin Islands in order to improve the watershed planning process.

The training will be conducted by NRCS National Employee Development Center (NEDC) staff, and will feature a hands-on approach to watershed planning through the use of local case studies. The training is geared towards government agency employees, researchers, and others involved in the watershed planning process in the territory.

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Course Overview

This course follows the procedures and guidelines set forth in the National Planning Procedures Handbook for area-wide conservation planning. It emphasizes locally-led conservation, the planning process, and working with stakeholders. It uses a local case study [Southgate, St. Croix] to demonstrate techniques and dynamics of area-wide conservation planning. This course will help conservation partners meet local community needs for area-wide conservation planning.

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this training, participants will be able to:

- Identify the different roles they could perform in area-wide conservation planning.
- Understand the importance of effective interpersonal skills when working with diverse groups.
- Apply the 3-phase, 9-step planning process to area-wide conservation planning.
- Identify key activities and tasks to consider in carrying out area-wide conservation planning.

REGISTRATION FORM

AREA-WIDE CONSERVATION PLANNING

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (W) _____

(Cell) _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

WORKSHOP COST: \$25 P.P.

Fee includes all materials & refreshment breaks

Space is limited to 35 attendees & registration is required by **May 15, 2006**. To register, mail check or money order, **payable to the VI Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc. (VI RC&D)**, with the above registration form to the address below.

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