New resources website showcases state video

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COLUMBIA — USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service has announced its national website has adopted a new look and feel and will use a new Web content management system.

As of Aug. 1, the new NRCS website has organized content by subject, such as soil, water and air. Visitors can search for information about subjects by name, as opposed to having to navigate through countless program or division pages.

In the past, if a website visitor wanted to know how NRCS works to improve our nation's water resources, they essentially had to visit the National Water Management Center website, the Water Quality and Quantity website and the Wetland Science website to gather information. Now, they can simply go to the NRCS homepage and click on "Water." NRCS consolidated 12 separate NRCS websites into one.

The South Carolina NRCS site — and all other NRCS state websites — will move to the new Web content management system over the next 12-18 months. South Carolina is currently featured on the national NRCS website, on the soils page, in a recently released video production called Soil Stories.

The video documentary showcases S.C. soil scientists and was created by the University of South Carolina Earth Sciences and Resources Institute. You can also watch this, and other videos about S.C.'s natural resources, by visiting www.vimeo.com/nrcsesrscconnect.

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