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<p>Backyard Conservation Conservation Service (NRCS)</p>	<p>Natural Resources</p>	<p><a href="http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/feature/backyard/">http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/feature/backyard/</a></p>	<p>Just as they do on the farm, conservation practices on nonagricultural land can help increase food and shelter for birds and other wildlife, control soil erosion, reduce sediment in waterways, conserve water and improve water quality, inspire a stewardship ethic, and beautify the landscape.</p> <p>“Backyard Conservation” shows you how conservation practices that help conserve and improve natural resources on agricultural land across the country can be adapted for use around your home. These practices help the environment and can make your yard more attractive and enjoyable.</p>	
<p>Healthy Watersheds</p>	<p>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</p>	<p><a href="http://www.epa.gov/healthywatersheds/">http://www.epa.gov/healthywatersheds/</a></p>	<p>EPA has launched a new initiative called “Healthy Watersheds” that emphasizes protection and conservation of aquatic ecosystems. The initiative is being introduced on a new Web site which provides information on tools to identify and protect healthy watersheds and their components. The Web site provides critical information for making strategic decisions to both protect and restore our nation’s waters.</p>	<p>Overview Document:  <a href="http://www.epa.gov/owow/nps/healthywatersheds/pdf/highquality_hwi.pdf">http://www.epa.gov/owow/nps/healthywatersheds/pdf/highquality_hwi.pdf</a></p> <p>Concept, Approach and Benefits:            Approaches and benefits of conserving and protecting healthy watersheds.</p> <p>Assessment Framework:            A systems approach to watershed assessment.</p>

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				<p><b>Examples of Assessments:</b> Current assessment approaches being used by regions, states, and communities.</p> <p><b>Conservation Approaches &amp; Tools:</b> Conservation and protection approaches used by states and communities for ensuring healthy watersheds remain intact</p> <p><b>Outreach Tools:</b> Strategies and resources for watershed managers to encourage stakeholder engagement in conservation and protection of healthy watersheds.</p> <p><b>Where You Live:</b> Links to projects at the national, regional, state, and local scales.</p> <p><b>Publications:</b> Related documents.</p>