

	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Estimated	FY 2024 Requested	FY 2024 Recommended
<u>Expenditure By Object</u>				
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	837,034	1,016,187	1,016,187	1,023,702
Travel	36,232	40,155	40,155	40,155
Contractual Services	2,688,605	18,273,139	18,273,139	18,268,863
Commodities	94,040	129,289	129,289	129,289
Capital Outlay - Equipment	2,482	0	0	0
Vehicles	28,259	0	0	0
Subsidies, Loans & Grants	4,825,604	5,898,003	5,898,003	5,898,003
Totals	8,512,256	25,356,773	25,356,773	25,360,012
<u>To Be Funded As Follows:</u>				
Cash Balance - Unencumbered	299,051	299,051	299,051	299,051
State Appropriations	535,995	584,679	584,679	587,502
Federal Funds	7,360,546	24,024,326	24,024,326	24,024,742
Soil & Water Conservation Fd	615,715	747,768	747,768	747,768
Less: Est Cash Available	-299,051	-299,051	-299,051	-299,051
Totals	8,512,256	25,356,773	25,356,773	25,360,012
<u>Summary Of Headcounts</u>				
Permanent Full-Time	12	9	9	9
Part-Time	0			
Time-Limited Full-Time	5	6	6	6
Part-Time	0			
Totals	17	15	15	15
<u>Summary Of Funding</u>				
General Funds	535,995	584,679	584,679	587,502
State Support Funds	0	0	0	0
Special Funds	7,976,261	24,772,094	24,772,094	24,772,510
Totals	8,512,256	25,356,773	25,356,773	25,360,012

Agency Description and Programs

The Soil and Water Conservation Commission was established under Section 69-27-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, to ensure that current and future generations have access to the state's abundant natural resources through protection, conservation, and wise development. The Commission assists soil and water districts within the state, serving as the liaison between the federal government, state agencies, and local soil and water districts. The Commission ensures that all local communities comply with local, state, and federal regulations. The Commission also reviews surface mining permits and inspects mine sites. The Commission provides overall management and oversight of the statewide water quality plan concerning agricultural and non-point sources. They provide appraisal and recommendations to the United States Department of Agriculture concerning the expansion and/or reduction of the present conservation services. They also provide administrative, technical, and financial assistance to all conservation districts to meet the requirements of the Resource Conservation Act. Additionally, the Commission provides all administrative services relating to the Conservation Aid Training Program and provides supplemental workforce and funding to the local districts.

1. District Assistance

This program assists the 82 soil and water conservation districts, district officials, and district employees by providing technical expertise in soil and water conservation planning, securing financial support from local governments, and acting as a liaison with other state and federal agencies.

2. Water Quality

This program educates agricultural landowners and users concerning water quality issues as they pertain to agricultural lands and makes recommendations as to practices or equipment that can assist in reducing agricultural pollution of water sources by reducing cropland erosion.

3. Surface Mining Permits

This program reviews applications for Surface Mining Permits about soil conservation practices and makes recommendations on the reclamation portions of these applications to reduce sediment pollution from surface mining activities.

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<u>Summary By Program</u>				
1. District Assistance Total Funds	5,379,057	15,751,854	15,751,854	15,754,429
2. Water Quality Total Funds	3,125,302	9,597,085	9,597,085	9,597,707
3. Surface Mining Permits Total Funds	7,897	7,834	7,834	7,876