



# San Juan River Watershed

Resources at work from October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2010

**The San Juan River Watershed totals 4,700,000 acres.**

It includes all and/or parts of Archuleta, Dolores, Hinsdale, La Plata, Mineral, Montezuma, San Juan, and San Miguel Counties.

NRCS natural resource specialists are staffed at the Cortez, Dove Creek, Durango, and Pagosa Springs USDA Field Service Centers to provide assistance to watershed residents.

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Healthy Environment

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## The Colorado Watershed Approach

Instead of the traditional statewide approach in addressing priority resource issues like soil erosion, water quality, grazing lands, wildlife, and animal waste, NRCS looks to Colorado's ten watersheds to identify their particular local resource needs and priorities.

Watershed work groups meet annually to determine which natural resource concerns are most prevalent in their communities.

In turn, Colorado NRCS focuses its resources on addressing those concerns. Colorado's local conservation districts provide leadership in this effort to foster increased decision making at the local level.

## High Priority Resource Concerns in the San Juan River Watershed

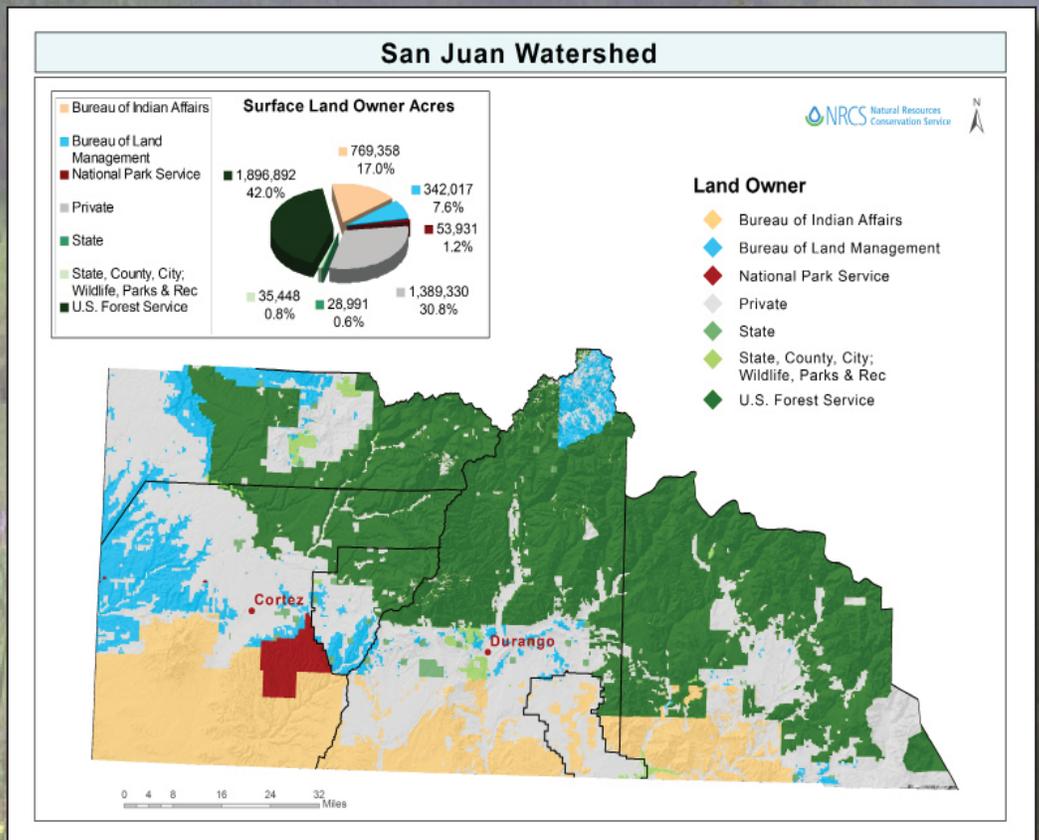
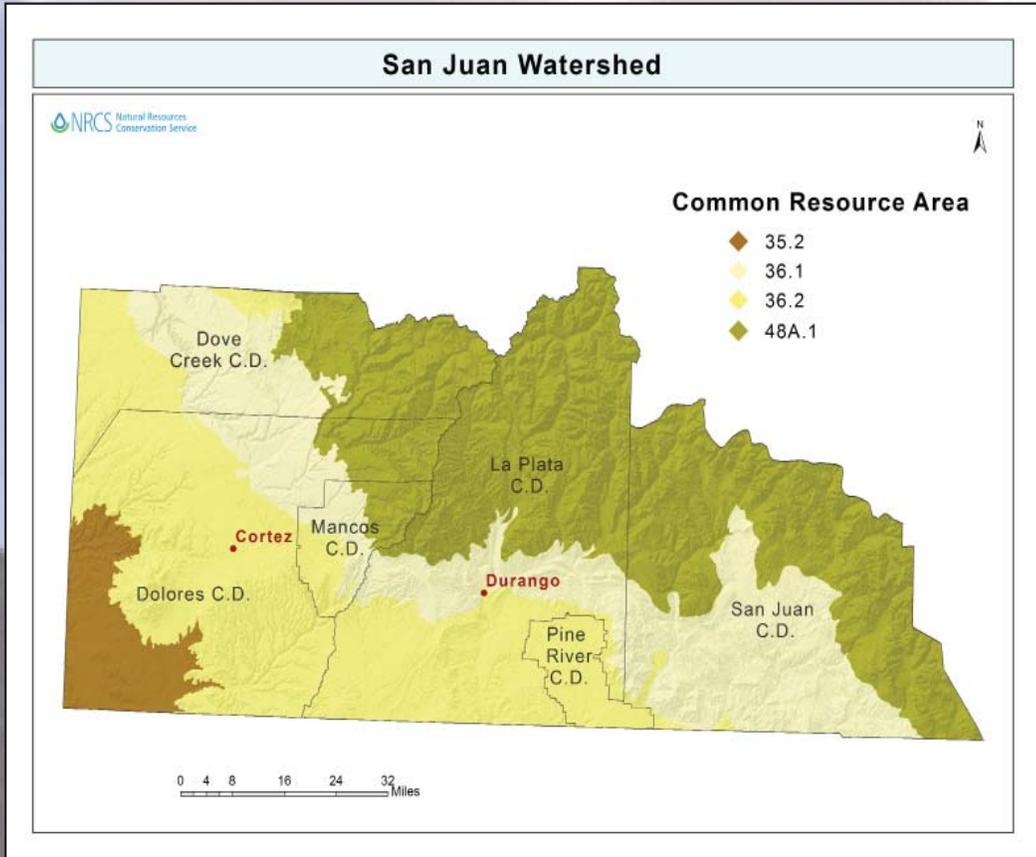
- Rangeland Health
- Invasive Species
- Water Quality
- Water Quantity
- Forest Health



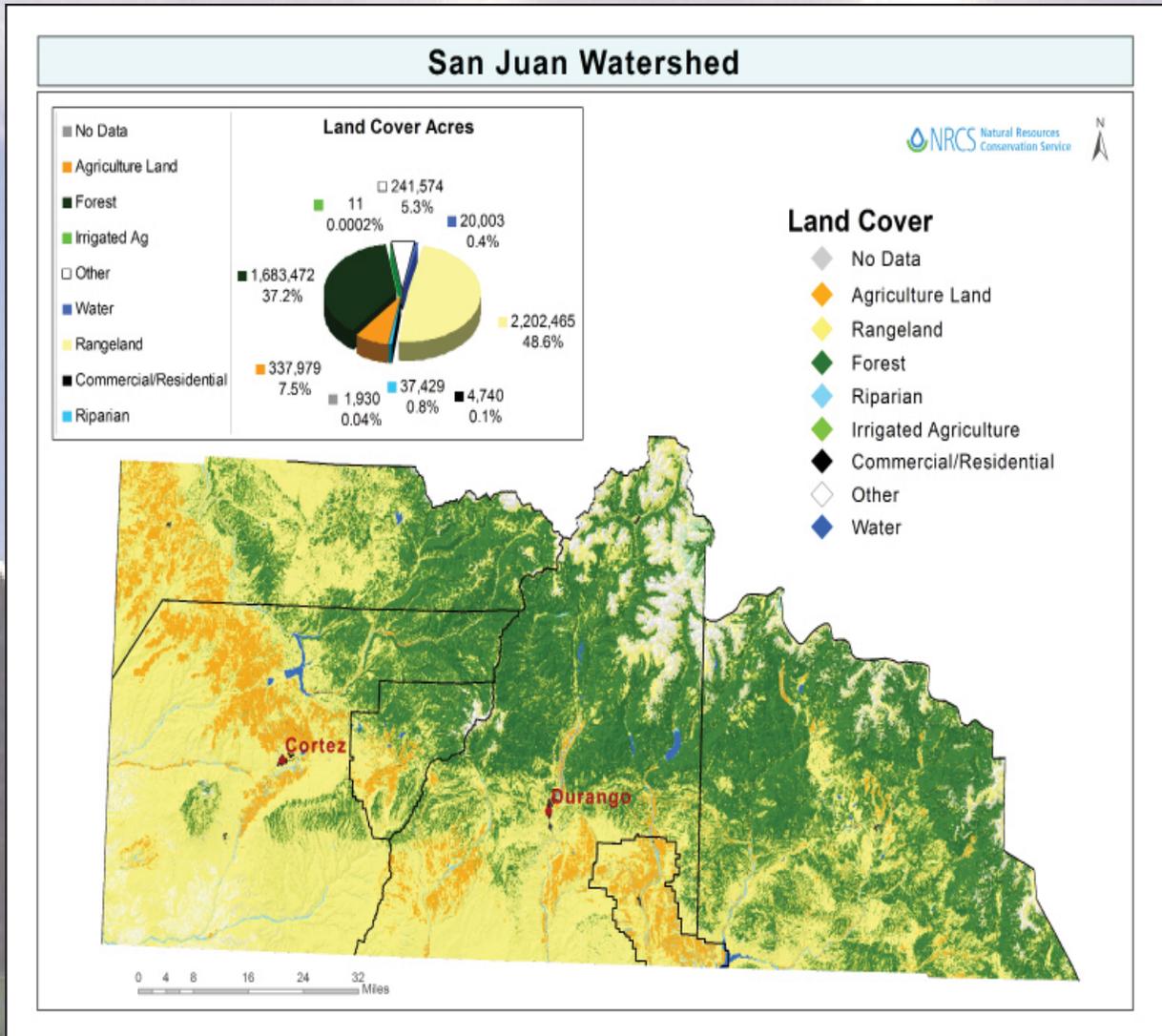
NRCS is Celebrating 75 Years of "Helping People Help the Land" in 2010.

**75** A Legacy of Conservation  
Years Helping People Help the Land

# Watershed Profile



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## Fiscal Year 2010 Environmental Quality Incentives Program Summary



<b>San Juan River</b>	<b>Applications Received</b>	<b>Contracts Approved</b>	<b>Dollars Approved</b>	<b>Acres Treated</b>
San Juan - All Lands/Wildlife	3	3	\$16,777	961
San Juan - Cropland/Soil Management	6	6	\$80,483	2,385
San Juan - Cropland/Water Quality/Quantity	33	25	\$480,013	1,154
San Juan - Forestry	6	6	\$135,083	219
San Juan - Grazingland	14	12	\$171,442	32,212
San Juan - Riparian	4	4	\$288,809	131
Conservation Partnership Program	5	3	\$46,113	2,029
San Juan - Southern Ute	2	2	\$55,705	94
San Juan - Ute Mountain Ute	1	1	\$280,968	15,986
Planning - Agriculture Energy Management	1	0	\$0	0
Planning - Grazing	2	2	\$61,465	43,902
Salinity - Mancos	8	6	\$61,094	109
Salinity - McElmo	26	26	\$530,219	695
Salinity - Wildlife	1	1	\$7,815	33
<b>Totals</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>\$2,215,984</b>	<b>99,910</b>

### Farm Bill Program Activities Summary San Juan River

<b>NRCS Program</b>	<b>Applications Received</b>	<b>Contracts Approved</b>	<b>Dollars Approved</b>	<b>Acres Treated</b>
Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)	10	0	\$0	0
Farm and Ranchland Protection Program (FRPP)	3	3	\$1,100,000	11,170
Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP)	1	0	\$0	0

### Farm Bill Program Activities Statewide Summary

#### Environmental Quality Incentives Program

*Contracts: 768*

*Acres: 615,000*

*Financial Assistance: \$27.2 Million*

#### Agricultural Water Enhancement Program

*Contracts: 12*

*Acres: 1,705*

*Financial Assistance: \$941,296*

#### Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program

*Contracts: 19*

*Acres: 5,610*

*Financial Assistance: \$537,742*

#### Grasslands Reserve Program

*Rental Contracts/Easements: 8 / 4*

*Acres: 25,315 / 8,161*

*Financial Assistance: \$2.8 Million / \$3 Million*

#### Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program

*Properties/Entities: 14 properties, 7 entities*

*Acres: 15,752*

*Financial Assistance: \$6.5 Million*

#### Wetlands Reserve Program

*Easements: 2*

*Acres: 729*

*Financial Assistance: \$949,875*

#### Conservation Stewardship Program

*Applications: 471*

*Acres: 1.3 Million*

*Financial Assistance: \$11.8 Million*