



Natural Resources Conservation Service

North Carolina

Section II-(C)

## Source Data for the Official Soil Survey

### ***Mitchell County - General***

The traditional final product of first generation soil survey mapping has been the soil survey publication. Each publication includes soil map unit descriptions, series descriptions, tables of information (attributes), and maps. One copy of this publication is retained at the NRCS Field Office and is designated as the "Official Copy." This official copy was established to maintain the most current soils information for a survey area.

The Mitchell County soil survey is not yet published, but it is the official source of soil maps. The soil survey publication is in draft format. The soil maps have been digitized and are available at no charge from this web site:

[http://www.ftw.nrcs.usda.gov/ssur\\_data.html](http://www.ftw.nrcs.usda.gov/ssur_data.html)

The official source of soil data is the NASIS database. The NASIS data are available from this site in a Microsoft Access data template. The file name is the county FIPS code with a "zip" extension, nc121.zip. It may be downloaded and unzipped. The template, nc121.mdb, requires Microsoft Access 97 or newer.

Copies of the interim maps are available from:

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Mitchell County soil survey information will be available as an interim product once the manuscript has been typeset. Contact the NRCS field office or the soil survey office at:

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