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MEMORANDUM

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DATE: September 2, 2021

TO: All Soil and Water Districts

FROM: Kurt Boeckmann, Director *KOB*
Soil and Water Conservation Program

SUBJECT: Trimble Units

The program office has made arrangements with the NRCS state office to take possession of a limited number of retired NRCS Trimble units to make available for district use. These units should be usable for approximately the next 3-5 years.

The approximate cost of getting a unit operational for a district would be approximately \$4,500 at the time of taking possession. The costs associated with one of these units include the surveying pole/bipod, wide base topo shoe, a network connection of some sort, licensing agreements, and 7.4v 2800Ahr batteries. The network connection will be a monthly charge for as long as the district needs the connection. The costs of needed equipment and network connection are eligible expense from state funds.

If your district is interested in acquiring one of the Trimble units, please submit a signed board letter to the program office requesting the unit providing the following information in the board's request:

- On average, how many practices and contracts per year would the device be used for and include the type of practices?
- How many technical staff would be using the device?
- Does the district have access on a regular basis (not impacting implementation of state cost-share practices) to another Trimble unit or other surveying equipment?
- Any additional information the district will help with the selection process.

The information in the board letter will help in the process of selecting the districts to receive one of the units. Please email the signed board letter to soil&waterconservationprogram@swcd.mo.gov by October 1, 2021 for your district to be considered.

If you have any questions, please contact your district coordinator.