

**NRCS Seed Mix Development Protocol**

1     **WHEREAS**, The current method of Natural Resource Conservation Service seed mix development  
2     being pure live seed (pls) pounds per acre, does not accurately reflect seed composition of seed mixes  
3     due to differences in seed mass; and,  
4     **WHEREAS**, More precise measurement of seed composition in seed mixes increases efficiency,  
5     both physically and economically; and,  
6     **WHEREAS**, Improper measurement of seed proportions within seed mixes can lead to over-  
7     seeding of certain species; and,  
8     **WHEREAS**, Precise seeding represented by appropriate quantities will lead to a more diverse  
9     planting; and,  
10    **WHEREAS**, A diverse plant population aids in stabilizing ecosystems: now, therefore, be it  
11    **RESOLVED**, That the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel,  
12    Jefferson City, MO, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013, supports a NRCS decision to move from pls pounds  
13    per acre to a pls seeds per square foot method of seed mix development;