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SUBJECT: INF – Poster, Our Future Flies on the Wing of Pollinators

Purpose. To distribute the poster, Our Future Flies on the Wings of Pollinators.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2007.

**Background.** NRCS has been an active participant with a number of other Federal agencies and non-government parties in the North American Pollinator Protection Campaign (NAPPC) ([www.napppc.org](http://www.napppc.org) or [www.pollinator.org](http://www.pollinator.org)). Our involvement with NAPPC has provided us with opportunities to become more informed about a number of issues related to pollinator population declines being faced by Federal land management agencies, and to discuss actions we may take in a collaborative manner, to reduce any negative impacts of our activities upon pollinator populations.

In October 2006, NRCS and the Forest Service hosted, at our Washington, DC offices, a one-day Pollinator Symposium followed by a two-day annual international meeting of the NAPPC membership. The symposium featured the release of National Academy of Sciences report “Status of Pollinators in North America” (go to [http://dels.nas.edu/dels/rpt\\_briefs/pollinators\\_brief\\_final.pdf](http://dels.nas.edu/dels/rpt_briefs/pollinators_brief_final.pdf) for the summary), the unveiling of a new pollinator stamp series that will be available in June 2007, and the signing of a proclamation by USDA Secretary Johanns in support of National Pollinator Week, June 24-30, 2007.

**Explanation.** Under separate cover, each MN NRCS office will be receiving 1 copy of the referenced Our Future flies on the Wings of Pollinators poster to each MN NRCS Office. We encourage the use of these posters to highlight the importance of pollinators to our environment and to provide links to additional information on these populations. These posters may be useful during educational activities during National Pollinator Week, June 24-30, 2007.

**Contact.** For additional copies of the Our Future Flies on the Wings of Pollinators poster, please contact LANDCARE at 1-888-LANDCARE, [landcare@usda.gov](mailto:landcare@usda.gov), or <http://landcare.nrcs.usda.gov/>.

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