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Welcome to the first issue of our reorganized Journal of Soil and Water Conservation. We hope that you won't, in fact, notice too many differences, other than the frequency (don't forget we've moved to quarterly distribution). We hope that you'll appreciate the reorganization of the information we present, too. We are presenting the same mix of features and research materials as in the past, but instead of segregating research in the back, we've selected articles according to subject rather than type.

We have a couple of topics picked out to focus on this year: the next issue of the Journal will contain the papers and abstracts presented at the cover crops conference last spring in Sacramento, and we will also take a look at irrigation. We're still looking for papers on that topic, so if you have anything you'd like to contribute, please mail it to me at headquarters as soon as possible. (Author guidelines appear on page 84.)

You can still plan on seeing annual conference abstracts in the Journal: this year, they will be posted on the Web by about the end of February and also available in the Third Quarter issue.

All in all, despite the small changes, this is still your Journal. Please continue to let us know what you think. Contribute letters, commentaries, comments on papers you read here. If you want to make a bigger contribution, we are always looking for volunteers to help with the review process. Let headquarters or research editor Warren Busscher know that you are interested.

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