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November 25, 1946

To His Excellency, The Governor
State of California

Sir:

This Commission has the honor to
submit its second report as an account of its
activities to date.

The period covered by this second
report is from July 1, 1944, to June 30, 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

by 
B. H. Crocheron, Acting Chairman

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AUTHORITY FOR THE
STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The State Soil Conservation Commission was created by the addition of Division IX, Soil Conservation, to the Public Resources Code, approved February 28, 1940, and subsequent amendments, as follows:

Chapter 2 - Article 1

9030. There is hereby created the State Soil Conservation Commission. It shall consist of five members; The State Engineer, the Dean of the College of Agriculture of the University of California and the Director of Agricultural Extension of the University of California, serving ex-officio, and two members who shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to the confirmation of the Senate, and shall be appointed for a term of four years.

9031. The other two members to be appointed shall be directors, and in making such appointments, the Governor shall provide for equal representation from the northern and southern portions of the State.

PREFACE

Reference is made to the "Report of the State Soil Conservation Commission for the years 1938 - 1944," dated November, 1944, for activities of the Commission and the organization of soil-conservation districts prior to this current report.

Herein is a report on Commission activities, new districts, and progress on previously organized districts, for the period July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1946.

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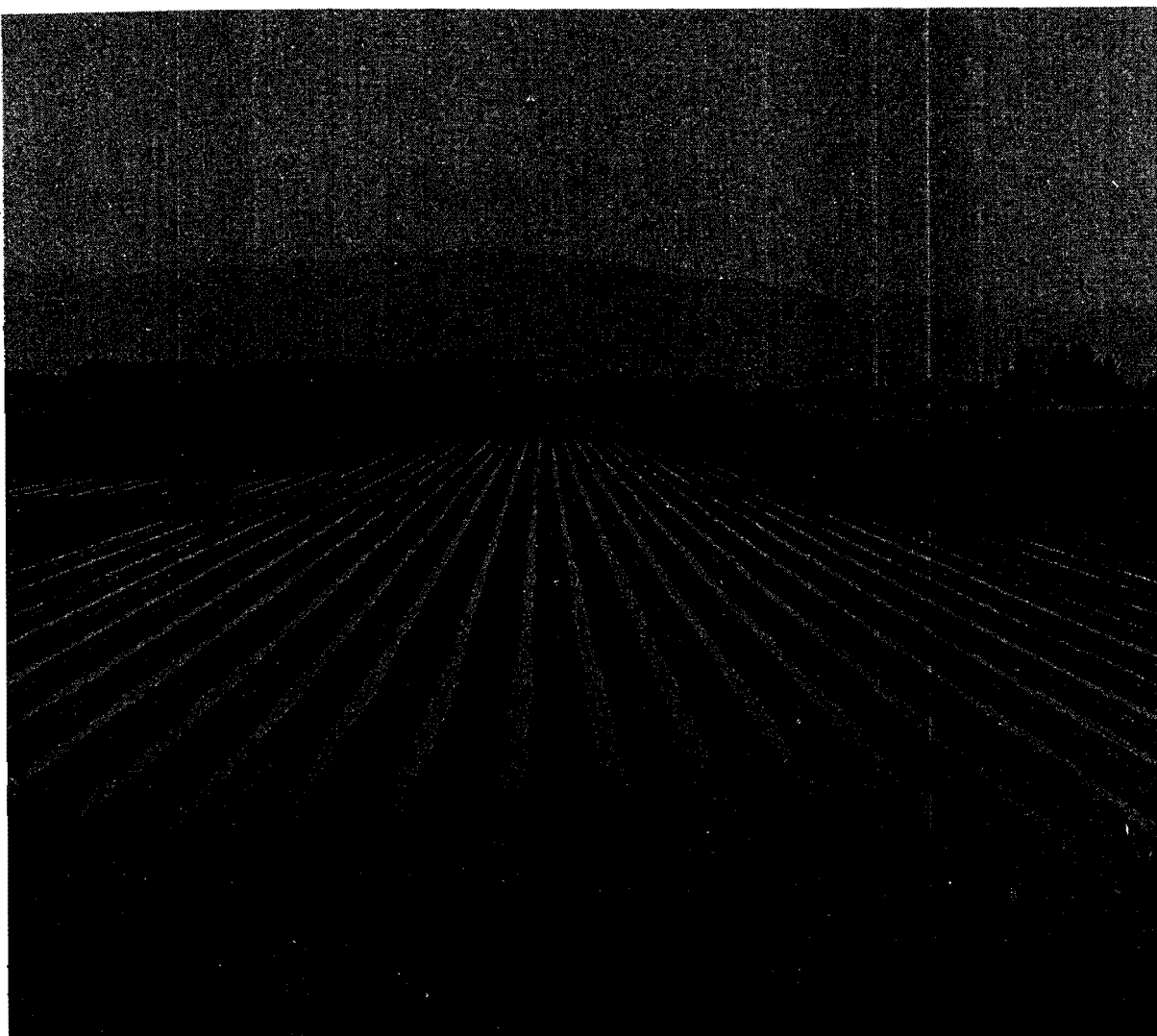
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Highly productive irrigated cropland. Green-
manure crops included in the rotation helps
keep this land in excellent condition.

ANTELOPE VALLEY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Organized - July 3, 1944

Location - Los Angeles and Kern Counties

Definite advancement has been made by the district toward the alleviation of the depleted underground water supply. The district prepared a site to receive such excess water as may be available from the Owens Valley Aqueduct which passes through the valley, and the City of Los Angeles agreed to discharge such waters into the constructed spreading grounds. No difficulty was encountered in raising the necessary funds to do this work.

The district purchased a tractor and bulldozer, principally for the construction work on the water-spreading facility. In order to get the maximum use of equipment, an equipment pool was formed between this and two adjacent soil-conservation districts, and interchanges and rental of equipment have been worked out on a mutual basis.

Interest in the soil-conservation activities of the district is indicated by the 165 requests for assistance covering over 88,000 acres. Soil-conservation plans have been completed on 41 farms. Types of problems on which assistance is being requested are contour plantings, crop-residue management and strip-cropping on dry-farm areas, and for improvement in irrigation practices in irrigated areas. The majority of requests are from alfalfa growers for assistance in improved water application practices and for re-leveling of old fields.