

# Soil Conservation Service

Experienced people protecting your resources



## Access track construction and maintenance

Need to upgrade an existing access track? Require a reliable contractor to undertake regular maintenance of your network? Or are you planning new tracks to grow your business?

Then give Soil Conservation Service a call.

With over 70 years in the conservation earthmoving business, SCS is a recognised leader in the planning, construction and maintenance of access tracks and fire trails.

Our expert staff are based in over 30 regional centres and have thorough knowledge of local conditions. Backed by a modern fleet of bulldozers and excavators we can provide you with the ideal solution to your access track needs.

## Our services

SCS understands that access tracks are required for a range of different situations such as:

- recreation, tourism and works programs
- access to wood resources and forest works
- fire suppression and mitigation activities
- access to power lines, gas lines and communication structures
- access for landholders, communities and primary industries.

We can provide the complete package for all these situations; from planning and approvals through to construction and maintenance.

## Planning

SCS has specialist ecologists who can provide expert advice, undertake field assessments and prepare the necessary documentation to take you through the planning and approval process.

We'll study all relevant landscape features such as soil type, topography, vegetation, threatened species, seasonal factors and the type of road required. An appropriate environmental assessment report can then be produced to meet the requirements of the relevant consent authority.

## Construction

The type of track constructed will often be determined by its intended use, the types of vehicles that will be using it and the expected traffic volumes. We take all these factors into account to decide which is the best surface to apply, what drainage features to incorporate, as well as any specialised structures such as creek crossings, culverts and drop-down structures.



*Before - Erosion and general wear can make tracks impassable*



*After - SCS provides the complete package from planning to construction and maintenance*





*Based in over 30 regional centres, our staff have the practical earthmoving experience and training to plan, design and construct access tracks*

## Maintenance

Erosion and general wear and tear can eventually make tracks impassable and pollute local streams. Track deterioration occurs much more quickly as a consequence of poor planning, incompetent construction and inappropriate use.

SCS employs best practice standards in the planning, design and implementation of track surfaces ensuring that long-term maintenance costs are reduced and deleterious environmental impacts are minimised.

## Earth movers training manual

The earth movers training module on access track construction (see right) was developed by Soil Conservation Service as a reference tool for the earthmoving industry and is testament to our knowledge and experience in this field.

To learn more about this valuable tool, contact your local SCS area manager.

## Want to know more

For more information on the services offered in this field or to find your local SCS office, visit [www.lands.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lands.nsw.gov.au) and follow the links to Soil Conservation Service.

Or call the SCS area manager in your region today.

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