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## **Cover Crop Seed and Native Seed Vendors for California**

Obtaining cover crop seed or native seed is a requirement when implementing many NRCS conservation practices. Cover crop seed is recommended by NRCS for use in agronomic practices to improve soil health, increase water holding capacity, suppress weeds, reduce surface evaporation, provide forage, and prevent soil erosion. California native seed is used in many NRCS wildlife habitat improvement, restoration, and stabilization projects.

Locating a vendor who sells cover crop seed or native seed may be tricky if you are not sure where to look. The purpose of this Technical Note is to provide producers, landowners, and planners with a list of vendors who sell cover crop seed and native seed for California. The cover crop seed list includes sources for conventional, as well as, organic and untreated seed. If any of the information is no longer accurate, or to add new seed vendors to the list please contact Valerie Bullard at ph: (209) 727-5319 or email: Valerie.Bullard@ca.usda.gov, or contact Margaret Smither-Kopperl at ph: (209) 727-5319 or email: Margaret.Smither-Kopperl@ca.usda.gov. This list does not constitute an endorsement of the vendors, nor does it guarantee the reliability or quality of products.

## Table 1. Cover Crop Seed and Native Seed Vendors for California

Below is a table of vendors that carry cover crop seed and/or California native seed. Checked boxes indicate whether the vendor carries conventional cover crop seed, certified organic seed, or untreated seed. The table also indicates if the vendor is wholesale only. In addition to these listed seed vendors, be sure to check with your local farmers' co-op and farm supply store.

Seed Company	Contact information	Retail Sales	Wholesale only	Conventional Cover Crop Seed	Organic Cover Crop Seed	Untreated Seed	California Native Seed
<b>Ag Seed Unlimited</b> 28 N East St. Woodland, CA 95776	Phone: 530-666-3361 Fax: 530-666-9594 Email: info@agseeds.com Website: www.agseeds.com	X		X	X		
<b>Albright Seed Company</b> 6155 Carpinteria Ave. Carpinteria, CA 93013-3061	Phone: 805-684-0436 Fax: 805-684-2798 Email: Paul@ssseeds.com Website: www.ssseeds.com	X		X			X
<b>Alforex Seeds</b> 38001 Coounty. Rd 27 Woodland, CA 95695	Phone: 530-666-3331 or 1-877-560-5181 Fax: 530-666-5317 Email: d.klawitter@alforexseeds.com Website: www.calwestseeds.com		X	X			
<b>A.L. Gilbert—Farmers Warehouse</b> 4367 Jessup Rd. Ceres, CA 95307	Phone: 800-400-6377 or 209-632-2333 Email: jan.bowman@farmerswarehouse.com Website: www.farmerswarehouse.com	X		X			X
<b>Anderson's Seed Co.</b> 20253 Elfin Forest Rd. Escondido, CA 92029	Phone: 760-471-1464 Fax: 760-471-6529 Email: Aseedco@gmail.com Website: www.seedcoseeds.com		X				X
<b>Baglietto Seeds</b> 301 S. Aurora St. Stockton, CA 95203	Phone: 209-466-0433 Fax: 209-466-6377 Email: Seeds@BagliettoSeeds.com Website: http://bagliettoseeds.com	X		X			

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<b>Bear River Farm Supply</b> 218 Pleasant Grove Rd. Rio Oso, CA 95674-9601	Phone: 530-633-2594 Fax: 530-633-9234 Email: info@bearriversupply.com Website: www.bearriversupply.com	X		X			
<b>Bountiful Gardens</b> 18001 Shafer Ranch Rd. Willits, CA 95490-9626	Phone: 707-459-6410 Fax: 707-459-1925 Website: www.bountifulgardens.org	X		X	X	X	
<b>Conservaseed</b> P.O. Box 1069 Walnut Grove, CA 95690	Phone: 916-776-1200 Fax: 916-77- 1112 Email: info@conservaseed.com Website: www.conservaseed.com	X					X
<b>Elkhorn Slough Native Nursery</b> 1957B Highway 1 Moss Landing CA 95039	Phone: 831-763-1207 Fax: 831-763-1659 Email: info@elkhornnursery.com Website: www.elkhornnursery.com	X					X
<b>Environmental Seed Producers</b> 1859 West Olive Ave. Lompoc, CA 93436	Phone: 805-735-8888 Fax: 805-735-8798 Email: cindy@wildflowerseed.com Website: www.espseeds.com		X				X
<b>Harmony Farm Supply &amp; Nursery</b> 3244 Hwy. 116 Sebastopol, CA 95472	Phone: 707-823-9125 Fax: 707-823-1734 Email: info@harmonyfarm.com Website: www.harmonyfarm.com	X		X	X		
<b>Hedgerow Farms</b> 21905 County Road 88 Winters, CA 95694	Phone: 530-662-6847 Fax: 530-662-2753 Email: info@hedgerowfarms.com Website: http://hedgerowfarms.com	X					X
<b>Kamprath Seeds, Inc.</b> 205 Stockton St. Manteca, CA 95337	Phone: 209-823-6242 Fax: 209-823-2582 Email: info@kamprathseed.com Website: www.kamprathseed.com	X		X			X

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<b>Kellogg's Ag Service</b> Paradise, CA	Phone: 530-624-3045 Fax: 530-877-3366 Website: www.kelloggsagservice.com	X		X			
<b>L.A. Hearne Seeds</b> 512 Metz Rd. King City, CA 93930	Phone: 800-253-7346 Email: seedsales@hearneco.com Website: www.hearneseed.com	X		X	X		
<b>Larner Seeds</b> 235 Grove Rd. Bolinas, CA 94924	Phone: 415-868-9407 Fax: 415-868-2592 Email: info@larnerseeds.com Website: www.larnerseeds.com	X					X
<b>LeBallister's Seed and Fertilizers</b> 1250 Sebastopol Rd. Santa Rosa, CA 95407	Phone: 707-526-6733 Fax: 707-542-9740 Email: leballisters@gmail.com Website: <a href="https://leballistersseeddotcom.wordpress.com">https://leballistersseeddotcom.wordpress.com</a>	X		X	X		X
<b>Lockwood Seed and Grain</b> 26777 Chowchilla Blvd. Chowchilla, CA 93610	Phone: 559-665-5702 Fax: 559-665-4911 Email: kevin.sherrod@lockwoodseed.com	X		X	X		
<b>Mistletoe Carter Seeds</b> 780 Glen Annie Rd. Goleta, CA 93117	Phone: 805-968-4818 Fax: 805-968-2242 Email: sales@mcseeds.com Website: <a href="http://mcseeds.com">http://mcseeds.com</a>	X					X
<b>Nevada County Farm Supply</b> 1020 Whispering Pines Ln. Grass Valley, CA 95945	Phone: 530-273-3948 Phone: 530-432-3600 Email: info@nevadacountyfarm.com Website: <a href="http://nevadacountyfarm.com">http://nevadacountyfarm.com</a>	X		X			X
<b>Northern Star Mills</b> 510 Eplanade Chico, CA 95926	Phone: 530-342-7661 Fax: 530-342-5447 Email: northernstarmills@att.net Website: www.northernstarmills.net	X		X			

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<b>Pacific Coast Seed, Inc.</b> 533 Hawthorne Place Livermore, CA 94551	Phone: 925-373-4417 Fax: 925-373-6855 Email: info@pcseed.com Website: www.pcseed.com		X				X
<b>Peaceful Valley Farm &amp; Garden Supply</b> 125 Clydesdale Ct. Grass Valley, CA 95945	Phone: 888-784-1722 Fax: 530-272-4794 Email: helpdesk@groworganic.com Website: www.groworganic.com	X		X	X		X
<b>Placer County Farm Supply</b> 10120 Ophir Rd. Newcastle, CA, 95658	Phone: 916-663-3741 Fax: 530-885-7970 Email: placerfs@foothill.net Website: http://placerfarmsupply.com	X		X			
<b>Redwood City Seed Company</b> P.O. Box 361 Redwood City, CA 94064	Phone: 650-325-7333 Fax: 650-325-4056 Website: www.ecoseeds.com	X					X
<b>S &amp; S Seeds, Inc.</b> P.O. Box 1275 Carpenteria, CA 93014	Phone: 805-684-0436 Fax: 805-684-2798 Email: info@ssseeds.com Website: www.ssseeds.com	X		X			X
<b>Santa Maria Seeds</b> 2390 A. St. Santa Maria, CA, 93455	Phone: 805-922-5757 or 805-928-8667 Email: info@santamariaseeds.com Website: www.santamariaseeds.com	X		X			
<b>Seedhunt</b> Santa Cruz, CA	Email: seedhunt@cruzio.com Website: www.seedhunt.com	X					X
<b>Shilling Seed</b> 10064 Streeter Rd. Auburn, CA 95602	Phone: (530)268-3174 Fax: (530)268-3158 Email: jonshilling@att.net Website: www.shillingseed.com	X					X

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<b>Snowseed Co.</b> 40 Clark St. Suite E Salinas, Ca 93901	Phone: 831-758-9869 Fax: 831-757-4550 Email: info@snowseedco.com Website: https://snowseedcompany.com	X		X	X		
<b>Stover Seed Company</b> 9180 San Fernando Rd. Sun Valley, CA 91352	Phone: 213-626-9668 Fax: 213-626-4920 Email: customer_service@stoverseed.com Website: www.stoverseed.com		X				X
<b>Sustainable Seed Company</b> 355 E. 20th St. Chico, CA 95928	Phone: 877-620-SEED Website: http://sustainableseedco.com	X		X	X	X	
<b>Sutter Orchard Supply</b> 573 Bridge St. Yuba City, CA 95991	Phone: 530-673-8068 Fax: 530-673-8069 Website: www.sutterorchardsupply.com	X		X			
<b>The Natural Gardening Co.</b> P.O. Box 750776 Petaluma CA 94975	Phone: 707-766-9303 Fax: 707-766-9747 Email: info@naturalgardening.com Website: www.sutterorchardsupply.com	X			X		