



PUBLIC POLICIES FOR THE CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION OF SOILS IN THE AMERICAS



→ Trinidad and Tobago currently has 7 public policies related to soils, which have a multi-thematic character. These are framed within the period from 1965 to 2017; In addition, they are distributed among Policies, Acts, Action Plans and Strategies.

According to their thematic area, the number of existing public policies in the country regarding soils is detailed below:

SOIL CONSERVATION: 4

- National Forest Policy 2011. Date of text: 01-01-2011
- Agricultural Fires (Cap. 63:02). Date of text: 24-11-1965
- National Environmental Policy. Date of text: 07-04-2006
- National Food Production Action Plan 2012-2015 Date of text: 01-01-2012

SOIL RESTORATION: 2

- National Forest Policy 2011. Date of text: 01-01-2011
- National Spatial Development Strategy for Trinidad and Tobago. Date of text: 01-01-2013





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SOIL ORGANIC CARBON LOSS: 1

National Climate Change Policy. Date of text: 01-07-2011

NUTRIENT IMBALANCE: 2

- National Climate Change Policy. Date of text: 01-07-2011
- National Food Production Action Plan 2012-2015 Date of text: 01-01-2012

SALINISATION/SODIFICATION: 1

 National Integrated Water Resources Management Policy 2017. Date of text: 01-03-2017

SOIL SEALING: 1

National Food Production Action Plan 2012-2015 Date of text: 01-01-2012

SOIL BIODIVERSITY LOSS: 5

- National Environmental Policy. Date of text: 07-04-2006
- National Forest Policy 2011. Date of text: 01-01-2011
- National Spatial Development Strategy for Trinidad and Tobago. Date of text: 01-01-2013
- Agricultural Fires (Cap. 63:02). Date of text: 24-11-1965
- National Climate Change Policy. Date of text: 01-07-2011





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SOIL POLLUTION: 4

- Agricultural Fires (Cap. 63:02). Date of text: 24-11-1965
- National Environmental Policy. Date of text: 07-04-2006
- National Integrated Water Resources Management Policy 2017. Date of text: 01-03-2017
- National Spatial Development Strategy for Trinidad and Tobago. Date of text: 01-01-2013

WATERLOGGING: 1

 National Integrated Water Resources Management Policy 2017. Date of text: 01-03-2017

As a summary, a table is detailed below in which the public policies mentioned above are displayed and what are the thematic areas with which they are linked:

| PUBLIC POLICIES | THEMATIC AREAS | | | | | | | | |
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| | SC | SR | SOCL | NI | S | SS | SBL | SP | WI |
| National Forest Policy 2011 | | | | | | | | | |
| Agricultural Fires (Cap. 63:02) | | | | | | | | | |
| National Environmental Policy. | | | | | | | | | |
| National Food Production Action Plan 2012-2015 | | | | | | | | | |
| National Spatial Development Strategy for Trinidad and Tobago. | | | | | | | | | |
| National Climate Change Policy. | | | | | | | | | |
| National Integrated Water Resources Management Policy 2017. | | | | | | | | | |

SC: Soil conservation; SR: Soil restoration; SOCL: Soil organic carbon loss; NI: Nutrient Imbalance; S: Salinisation/sodification; SS: Soil sealing; SBL: Soil biodiversity loss; SP: Soil pollution; WI: Waterlogging.