

Soil and Water Conservation District PC Purchasing Guidance

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Background

Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts may use one of two options when purchasing a computer through the grant.

Option 1 – Local Purchase

The SWCDs may purchase a PC from a local vendor when possible as it can simplify the purchasing process and provide the SWCD with a local point of contact for additional PC services such as extended warranties and hardware support. Examples of local PC vendors could include Staples, Best Buy, Office Depot, or a local PC shop.

Option 2 – Purchase from a State of Texas Contracted PC Vendor

The companies listed below provide Texas state and local government organizations with PCs and other services through contracts administered by the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR). The TSSWCB has had successful working relationships with the vendors listed and provides this information in cases where SWCDs may not have access to a local PC vendor.

Contracts

Brand: Hewlett-Packard Company

DIR Contract: DIR-SDD-1364

Brand: Lenovo

DIR Contract: DIR-SDD-2030

Vendors

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PC Purchasing Technical Advice

In most cases, any new system from a brand name manufacturer should be sufficient for the workloads common to an SWCD's bookkeeping needs. SWCDs are free to use their own discretion when making a purchase. For additional support or consultation, feel free to contact:

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