

SISC Stewardship Calculator 2.0, powered by CropTrak

On-Farm Sustainability Calculator Enables Growers, Tier One Suppliers, and Brands to Collaborate on Sustainability Across Specialty Crop Supply Chains



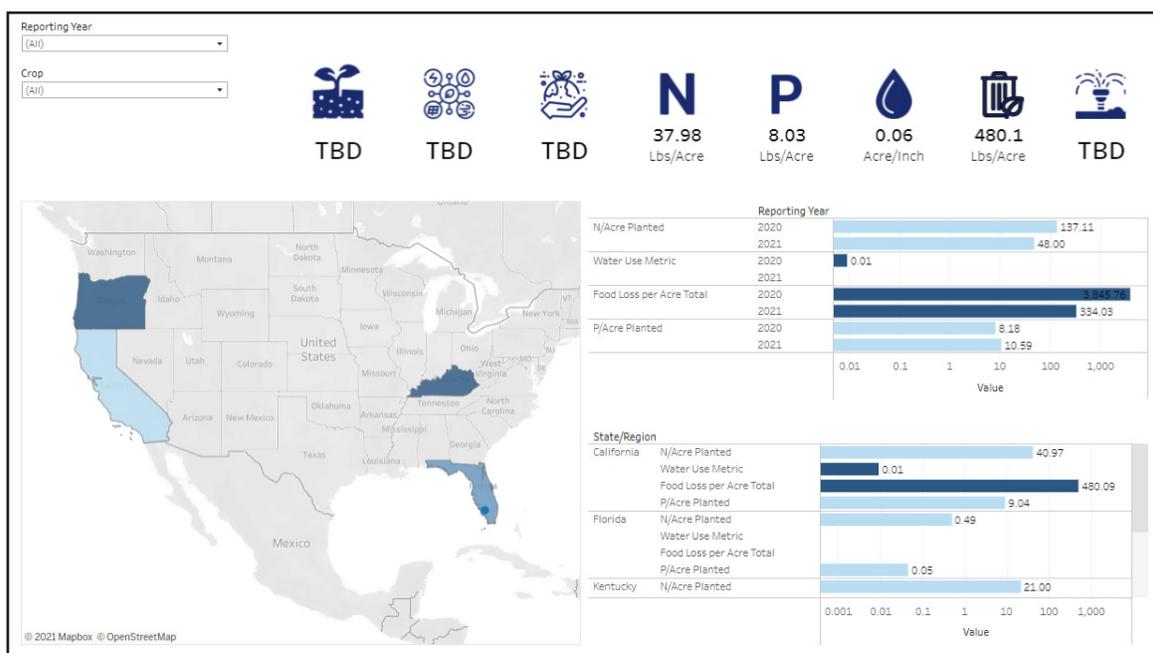
The **Stewardship Calculator 2.0** empowers growers, packer shippers, processors, grower groups, brands and retailers at every stage in their sustainability journey to baseline the environmental impacts of fruit, nut and vegetable production, and then identify and track opportunities for continuous improvement.

Based on input from growers, environmental NGOs and buyers, Stewardship Index for Specialty Crops metrics exist to provide a single third-party validator to sustainability measurements that can be communicated transparently among peer groups and supply chain partners.

The Stewardship Calculator 2.0 includes updates to key metrics and easy-to-use, efficient workflows to improve the overall user experience. It can be used to track on-farm water, energy/GHG, fertilizer use efficiency and soil organic matter, as well as biodiversity, food waste and irrigation efficiency. These SISC metrics help inform sustainability reporting as well as to improve production plans and sustainability management practices.

How it works for growers: Free for growers, this online tool helps growers voluntarily and securely collect, manage, and analyze data to see how their management choices impact natural resources and operational efficiency. Dashboards to view metric results year over year to track improvements as management changes happen on the ground.

How it works for aggregators: Packer shippers, processors, brands, buyers, and grower groups can use the Stewardship Calculator 2.0 to help growers improve sustainability practices, while offering supply chain partners a way to track important sustainability metrics to support overall sustainability goals for an organization, industry or supply chain. Offered to aggregators at extremely low rates to support SISC’s mission of creating and supporting a single yardstick for the industry to use.



Example of Aggregated Metrics Dashboard

Benefits of the Stewardship Calculator 2.0

Growers

- Measure to manage: Identify operational efficiencies and cost reduction opportunities using a free, easy-to-use tool.
- Allows growers to track your sustainability journey year over year by acre or crop type.
- Offers growers increase industry and market relevance – fact-based, credible reporting can lead to:
 - Increased access to new buyers/markets.
 - Empowered discussions with regulators at local, state and federal levels.

Processors & Packer Shippers

- Measure, improve and report the sustainability performance of your suppliers using a single platform.
- Eliminate the challenge of responding to multiple, duplicative surveys that utilize different schemes or approaches.

Brands

- Utilize an industry-aligned framework developed by leading NGOs, buyers, growers and grower groups to tell the story of your product from farm to fork.
- Demonstrate and measure actions taken across your supply chain to improve stewardship practices.
- Enables greater transparency to deepen the trust and relationship between growers, companies and consumers.

Retailers

- Benefit from industry alignment around a common sustainability framework to support supply chain sustainability collaboration.
- Engage upstream suppliers to deliver sustained improvements in key environmental outcomes

Grower Groups

- Save time and resources by using the specialty crop industry's most accepted sustainability framework, reducing survey fatigue and duplication of effort for growers.
- Baseline environmental performance of your industry management practices, identify natural resource management issues and trends, and connect your growers with solutions.
- Tell your industry success stories of greater stewardship to the public and buyers – backed by real data.

Ag Service Providers

- Integrate SISC metrics and algorithms into your tools, broaden your service offering to include sustainability insights alongside agronomic analysis.

Visit www.croptrak.com/sisc or <https://www.stewardshipindex.org/now-available-sisc-calculator> for more information.

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