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MISSION

Croatan Institute is an independent, nonprofit research and action institute whose mission is to build social equity and ecological resilience by leveraging finance to create pathways to a just economy.

VISION

We envision an equitable world where finance supports flourishing communities, vibrant places, and resilient economies.

VALUES

In our work we strive to be:

Rigorous **Interdisciplinary** **Inclusive**

Independent **Trusted**

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Our work at the nexus of transformative finance, social equity and ecological resilience addresses the following cross-cutting themes:

Accountability

Business & Human Rights

Climate Solutions

Equity & Inclusion

Farming & Forestry

Food Systems

Frameworks & Data Analytics

Resilient Communities

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ORGANIC AGRICULTURE REVITALIZATION STRATEGY

OARS re-envisions organic food and agriculture as an inclusive economic development strategy for revitalizing rural places.

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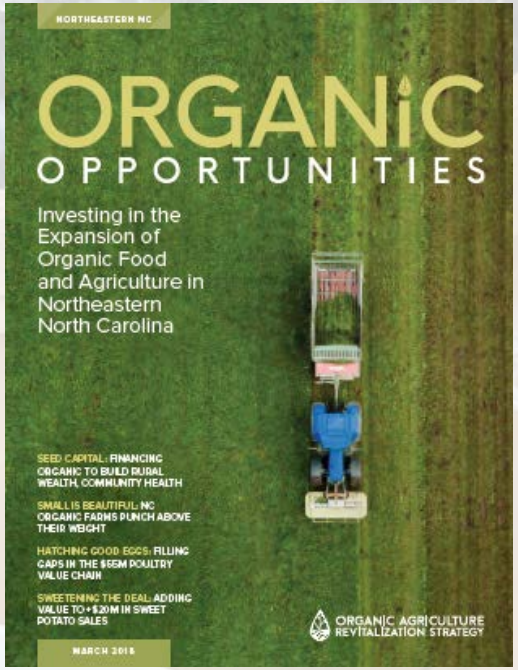

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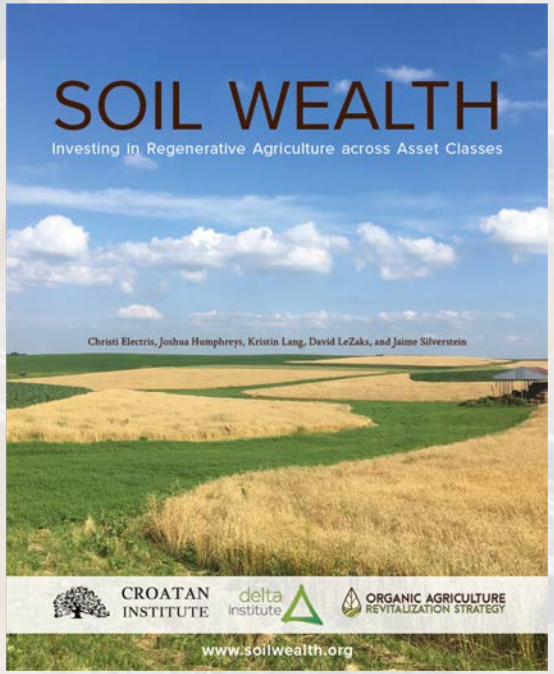

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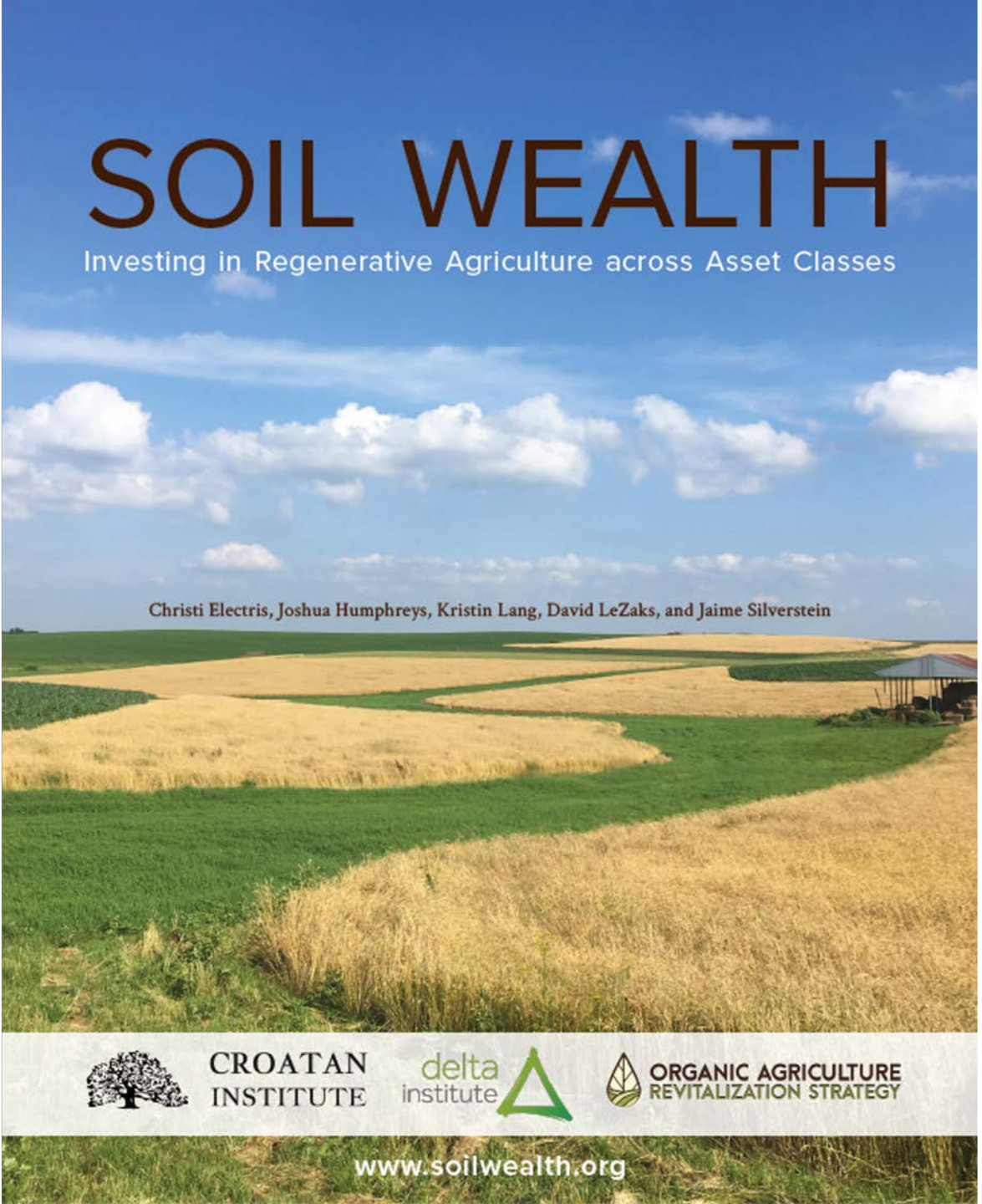

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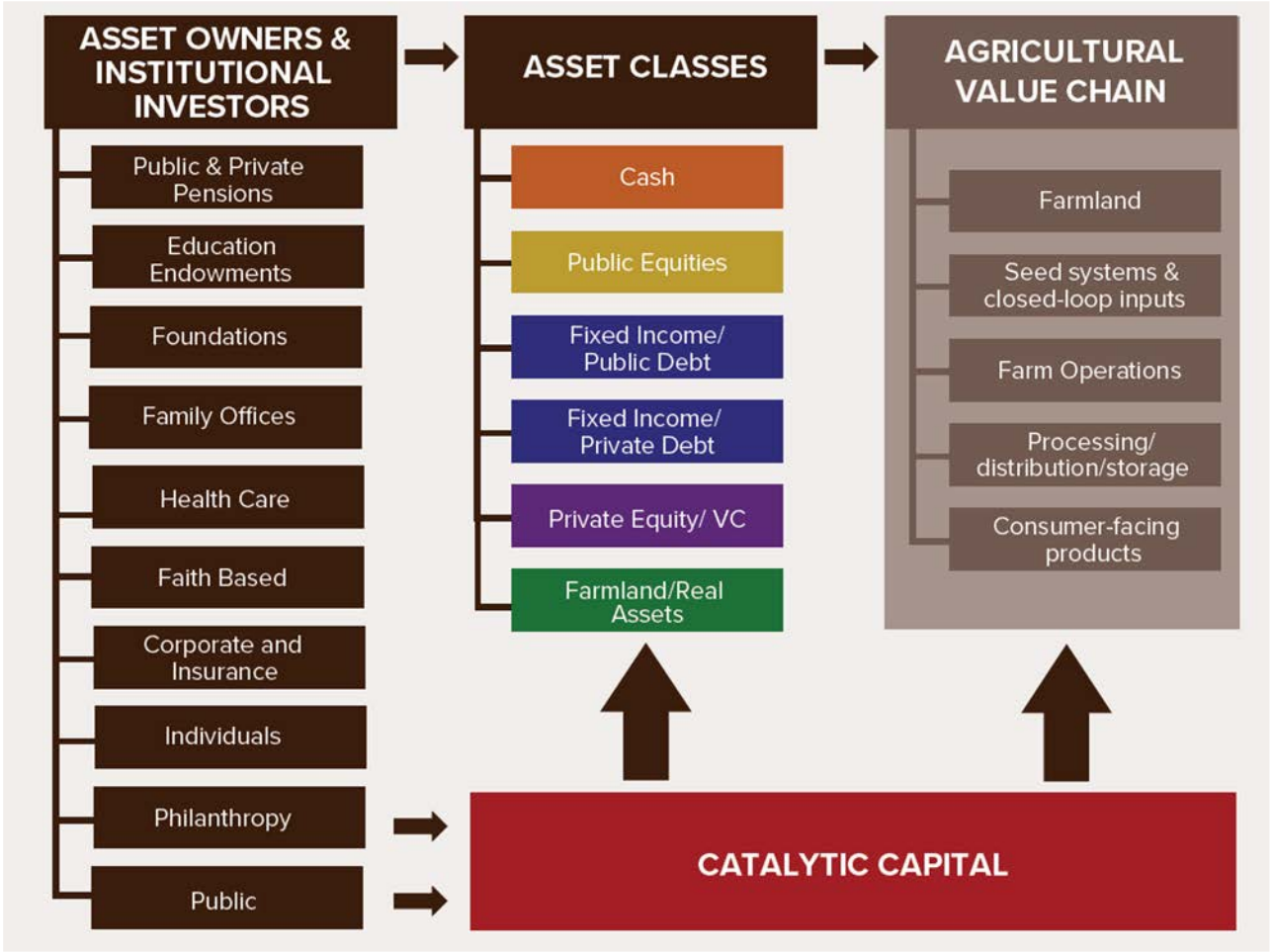

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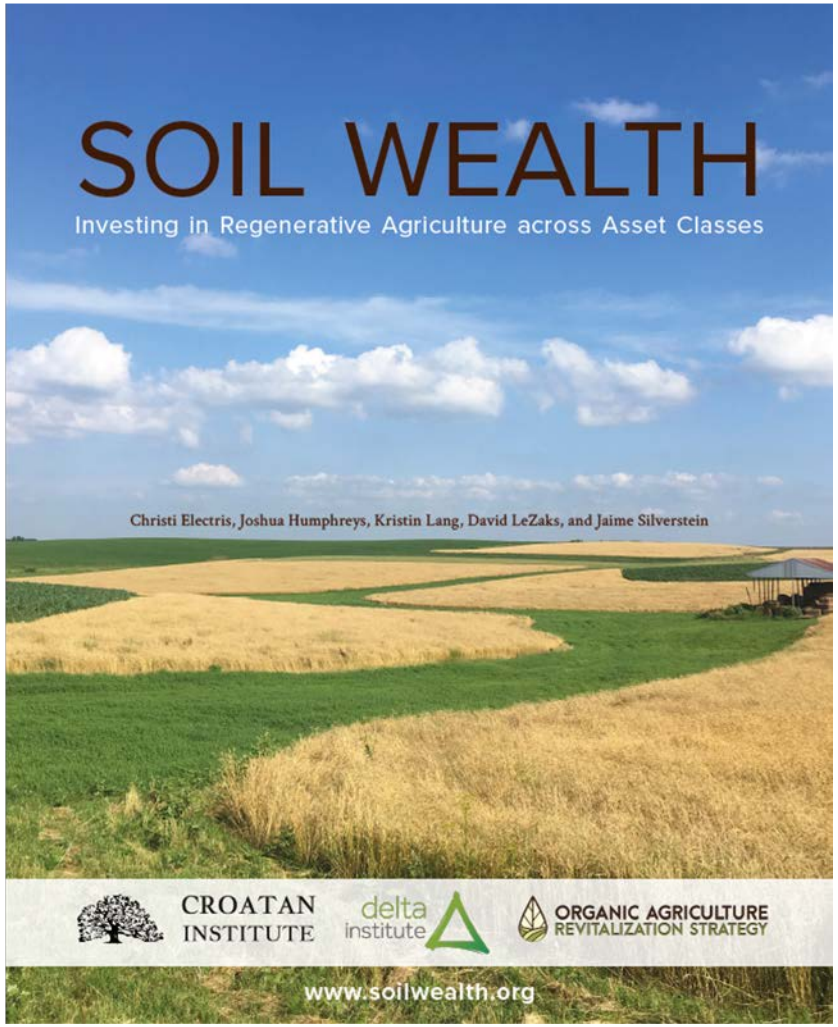
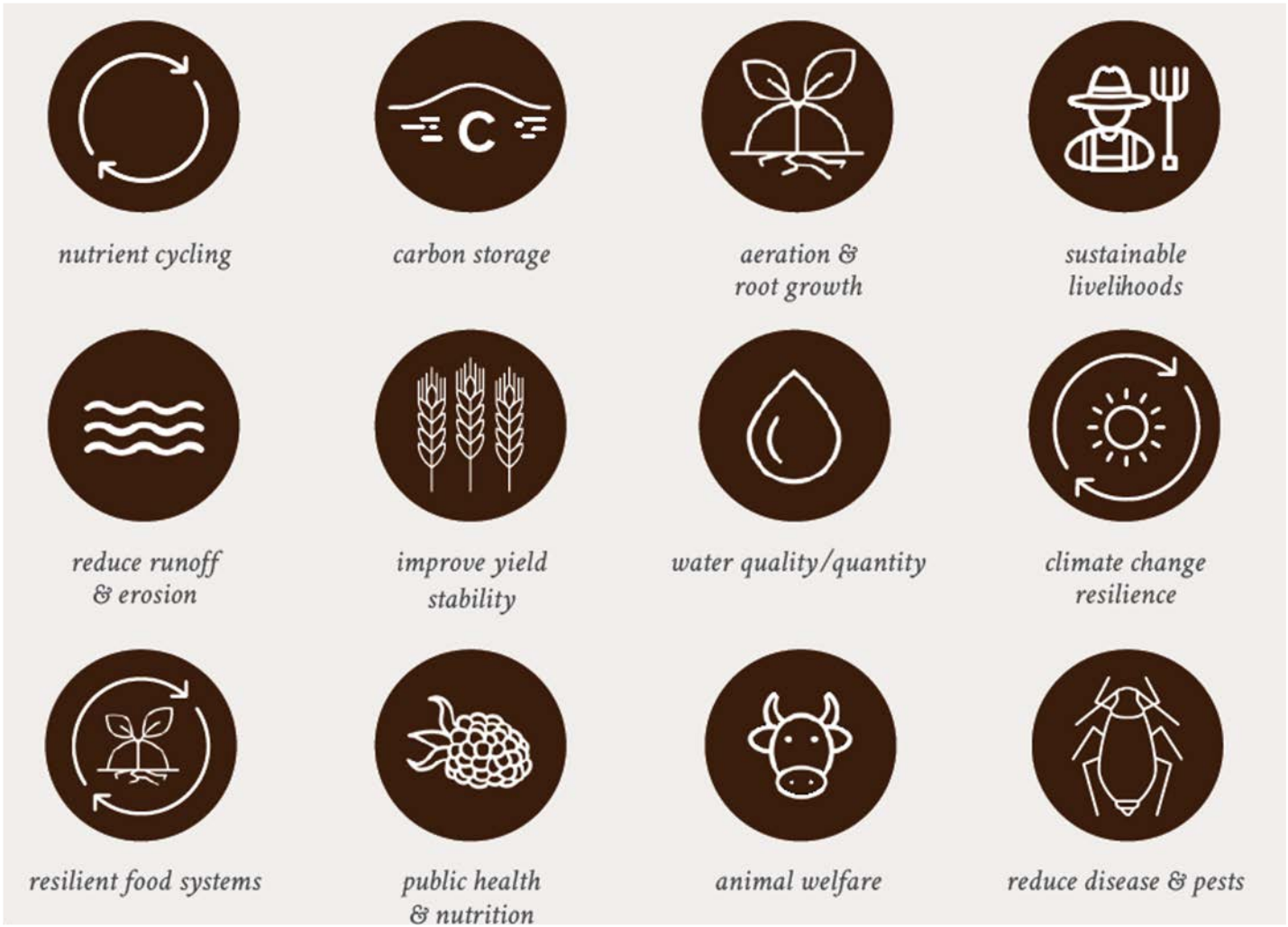
Public and private benefits delivered by investing in **regenerative agriculture**





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ROADs

Regenerative Organic Agricultural Districts

Croatan Institute is developing the concept of Rural Regenerative Organic Agricultural Districts, also known as ROADs, to help agricultural producers and landowners finance soil wealth using place-based investing approaches. As part of the Institute's Organic Agriculture Revitalization Strategy (OARS), ROADs will unlock new sources of capital for implementing conservation practices for regenerative agriculture.

With support from USDA NRCS, Patagonia, and 20 private sector and non-profit partners, ROADs seeks to accelerate the development of regenerative agricultural systems at a pace and scale needed to stem the tides of soil degradation and rural economic decline.

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