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The objectives of this research were to investigate kinds and amounts of pesticide residues in soils,

sediments and water from different soil and water conservation techniques and, to compare the effects of different

conservation techniques on pesticide residues contents in soils, sediments and water in agricultural areas of

mountainous watershed at land development research station on highlands areas of Ban Boukjan, Tambon

Samoengtai, Amphoe Samoeng, Chiang Mai province. The results showed that triazophos was found in the

every soil samples from all plots of different soil and water conservation measures and in soil samples collected

before cultivation season with the range of soil depth between 0-80 centimetre but it was not found in soil

samples collected after cultivation season. Prothiophos was found only in surface soil before cultivation, and

paraquat was found in soil samples of all plots and all depths of soil profile both before and after cultivation

season. In addition, triazophos and paraquat were found in sediments either with the application of conservation

measures or without the application soil and water conservation measures, including cultivated plots with

different soil and water conservation measures. For water samples, ethion was found in the use and not use soil

and water conservation measures, but it was not detected in water samples of conservation measures plot.

When compared the effects of soil and water conservation measures on quantities of pesticide residues

in soils, sediments and water, triazophos and paraquat were detected in the area without the application of soil

and water conservation measures more than the area with application of soil and water conservation. For

experimental plots with difference soil and water conservation techniques, triazophos and paraquat were

detected in the highest amount at the plot without application of soil and water conservation measures and with

pesticides application, followed by the plot with vetiver grass strip, the plot with natural grass strip, the plot

with hillside ditch and the least amount was detected at the plot without application of soil and water

conservation measures and without pesticides application, respectively.