

Special Environmental Concerns Evaluation Procedure Guide Sheet

The following guide sheet may be used to assist in the evaluation of the special resource concerns shown in Part J of the Form KS-CPA-52, Environmental Effects for Conservation Planning. Completion of this guide sheet is not required, but may provide additional documentation that the appropriate processes have been followed.

MIGRATORY BIRDS

STEP 1. Will the proposed action or activity result in a migratory bird or any part, nest, or egg of the bird, intentionally being pursued, hunted, taken, captured, or killed, or will it result in an intentionally attempt to take, capture kill, or possessed a migratory bird or any part, nest, or egg?

NO **YES**

- a. If your answer is "No," additional evaluation is not needed concerning migratory birds. Document the finding, including the reasons, on Form KS-CPA-52 and proceed with planning.
- b. If your answer is "Yes," go to Step 2.

STEP 2. Can the proposed action be modified to avoid the effects?

NO **YES**

a. If your answer is "No," document the effects, including the reasons, on Form KS-CPA-52. After discussing the situation with the client, indicate on the Form KS-CPA-52 which of the following options will be pursued:

- The client will obtain a permit from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) before the action is implemented; or
- An alternative conservation system will be implemented that avoids the effect; or
- Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will terminate assistance. If assistance is terminated, indicate the circumstances on the Form KS-CPA-52 or contact the NRCS state office for assistance.

b. If your answer is "Yes," modify the alternative and repeat Step 1.