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**CALIFORNIA TECHNICAL GUIDE  
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**TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 77**

**SUBJECT: Section IV – California Conservation Practice Standards and Specifications**

**Purpose:** To cancel several California interim practices, issue revised and new California practice standards, and update the Index of Conservation Practices.

**Effective Date:** When Contents are received.

General Manual Title 450, Part 401, Subpart B, specifies that all state interim practice standards are to be issued for a period not to exceed three years. If there is no recommendation at the end of the three years to issue a national standard, then the interim standard will be removed from the FOTG.

The following California interim practice standards, specifications and practice requirement sheets are being cancelled because their trial period has expired. They will no longer be included in Section IV of the California Technical Guide.

Agroforestry (704) – Refer to 610 Toxic Salt Reduction, 449 Irrigation Water Management, or other applicable practice

Rangeland Fertilization (721) – No specific reference identified. Use other applicable practice.

Soil Salinity Control (738) – Refer to 610 Toxic Salt Reduction or other applicable practice

Cut Bank Stabilization (742) – Refer to 342 Critical Area Planting or other applicable practice

Improved Water Application (743) – Refer to 449 Irrigation Water Management or other applicable practice

Hayland Management (210) – Refer to 511 Forage Harvest Management or other applicable practice

Irrigation Water Conveyance, Ditch and Canal Lining, Pnuematically Applied Mortar (PAM) (428D) – No specific reference. Use other applicable practice.

Irrigation Water Conveyance, Pipeline, Corrugated Metal Pipeline (430II) – No specific reference. Use other applicable practice.

Pond Sealing or Lining, Gleization (521F) – No specific reference. Use other applicable practice.

Pond Sealing or Lining, Soil Cement (521G) – This California interim practice is being deleted temporarily. It will be reissued with a new practice code.

Enclosed (attached electronically) are the following revised California practice standards:

Agrichemical Handling Facility (596) – A new practice code 702 has been established for this practice. A new standard, practice requirement sheet, operation and maintenance plan, and statement of work have been developed to reflect this new 702 code.

Pond (378) – the standard has been revised to remove inconsistencies.

Enclosed (attached electronically) are the following new California practice standards:

Solid/Liquid Waste Separation Facility (632)

Waste Treatment (629)

Enclosed (attached electronically) are the revised California conservation practice indexes. These indexes have been revised to reflect the changes listed above. Other format changes have been made to the Index, including the addition of a Material Specification and a Statement of Work column, and assigning the 705 Air Management practice responsibility to the State Air Quality Specialist. In addition, this new index corrects out-of-date information that appeared in previous indexes.

The California eFOTG, located on the web at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/efotg/> and in my.nrcs at <https://my.nrcs.usda.gov/default.aspx> , is being updated to reflect these changes to Section IV. The California eFOTG is the official copy of Section IV.

**Optional Filing Instructions**

**(for Field Offices optionally maintaining local hard copies of Section IV)**

1. Replace “Index of Conservation Practice Standards and Specifications Index – Alphabetical Index” contents, pages 1 - 11, dated July, 2005, with the new “Index of Conservation Practice Standards and Specifications Index – Alphabetical Index” contents, pages 1 – 10, dated September 23, 2005.
2. Replace “Index of Conservation Practice Standards and Specifications Index – Numerical Index” contents, pages 1 - 11, dated July, 2005, with the new “Index of Conservation Practice Standards and Specifications Index – Numerical Index” contents, pages 1 – 10, dated September 23, 2005.
3. Remove and archive, as appropriate, the practice standards, specifications, material specifications and practice requirement sheets listed above as being deleted from Section IV of the FOTG.
4. Insert the new practice standards, practice requirement sheet, operation and maintenance plan, and statement of work issued above.



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ATTACHMENTS (electronic)

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