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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL GUIDE SECTION II – HEL (Highly Erodible Land) List, Butte Area, California

Purpose: To transmit the HEL list for Butte Area, California (CA612).

Effective Date: Effective upon receipt.

Background: This list is the official Highly Erodible Land (HEL) list for Butte Area, CA (CA612). This list is used to support the conservation provisions of the 1985 Farm Bill known as the Food Security Act (FSA) of 1985. Separate lists were prepared for each Soil Survey Area found within the USDA Service Center service area. These lists were officially frozen as of January 1, 1990.

The primary use of each list is for performing HEL Determinations in response to AD-1026 requests from the USDA Farm Service Agency. They are the official source of USLE (Universal Soil Loss Equation) “Kw” and “T” and WEQ (Wind Erosion Equation) “I” factors used to make HEL determinations.

Filing Instructions: The HEL list is to be filed in Section II of the FOTG, and is also located in the HEL (Highly Erodible Land) lists folder under Section II - Natural Resources Information of the eFOTG (Electronic Field Office Technical Guide).

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Enclosures

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