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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

**TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 642**

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Re: Transmit revised Sage-grouse model, revised Colorado biology standards, revision to Biology Technical Note Number 20, revised index to Biology Technical Notes, and cancels Colorado Standard 422 Hedgerow Planting.

This Technical Guide Notice transmits:

- Revised Sage-grouse model, Biology Technical Note Number 20, Mountain Plover Fact Sheet, and index to the Section I, Technical Notes, Biology folder of the Colorado electronic Field Office Technical Guide ([eFOTG](#)); and
- Revised Standards 390, 395, 398, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 657, 658, and 659 to the Section IV folder of the Colorado electronic Field Office Technical Guide ([eFOTG](#)).

This Technical Guide Notice cancels the following:

- Colorado 422 Hedgerow Planting Standard; and
- Mountain Plover Leaflet and Mountain Plover Fact Sheet (February 2001) found in Biology Technical Note Number 20.

This notice is filed in the Section I, Transmittals folder of the Colorado eFOTG. A [Section I Transmittals Index](#) is available in PDF format to comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1998.

**Archiving Standards**

Conservation practice standards in effect at the time the client makes a decision regarding a course of action (step 7 of the Conservation Planning Process) may be used for practice implementation unless public health, safety, or welfare is adversely affected. A copy of all superseded standards shall be retained in NRCS field office files or other locations as approved by the State Conservationist, until such standards are no longer relevant to any active conservation plan or contract, or for 10 years, whichever is longer. Where formal contracts (e.g., long-term agreements) are involved, copies of outdated standards are to be retained for the period required by the pertinent NRCS policy governing that specific program.

These archived standards need to be removed from the FOTG and retained in a separate file (GM-450, Part 401, Subpart B, 401.18). An archive of canceled Colorado standards is maintained in the Ecological Sciences Section at the State Office in Denver.

**Printing and Filing Instructions**

District Conservationists are not required to maintain a hard copy of the eFOTG in their respective field offices. One copy of the Colorado eFOTG is maintained at the National Information Technology Center (NITC) Web Farm, and is available through <http://my.nrcs.usda.gov> and [http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/efotg\\_locator.aspx](http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/efotg_locator.aspx)

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This is the only copy of this notice you will receive from the State Office.

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