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### **TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 653**

### **NOVEMBER 18, 2011**

Re: Transmit Revised Cultural Resources Technical Note and Check List, new WEPS Version 1.2.9 Update Instructions and new Conservation Activity Plans

This Technical Guide Notice transmits the following documents to the Colorado Field Office Technical Guide (<u>eFOTG</u>).

Section I, Technical Notes, Cultural Resources

Cultural Resources Management Technical Note No. 2 (Revised)

Section I, Erosion Prediction

Wind Erosion Prediction System Version 1.2.9: User Update Instructions

Section II, Cultural Resources Information, NRCS State Office Instructions

Cultural Resources Check List

Section III, Conservation Activity Plans (CAP)

104 - Nutrient Management Plan CAP

130 - Drainage Water Management Plan CAP

138 - Transition to Organic System Plan CAP

Section IV

Standards and Specifications Index

This Technical Guide Notice cancels the following documents and removes them from the eFOTG.

Section I

Cultural Resources Management Technical Note No. 2 (July 9, 2010)

#### Section IV

Atmospheric Resources Quality Management 370 Standard (August 2004). Cancelled per NHCP Notice 152. See Air Filtration and Scrubbing 371, Combustion System Improvement 372, and or Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces 373, for current planning criteria.

Brush Management 314, Supplement (August 1993)

Brush Management 314, San Luis Valley Supplement (September 1979)

Helping People Help the Land An Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer Cannel Bank Vegetation 322 Standard (December 2009). Cancelled per NHCP Notice 152. See Critical Area Planting 342, and or Streambank and Shoreline Protection 580, for current planning criteria

CO-ECS-6, Chemical or Mechanical Brush Management Planned and Applied (June 1983)

# **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 A copy of all superseded standards shall be retained in NRCS field office files or other locations as approved by the State Conservationist, until such standards are no longer relevant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 Where formal contracts (e.g., long-term agreements) are involved, copies of outdated standards are to be retained for the period required by the pertinent NRCS policy governing that specific program.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 also 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 <u>http://my.nrcs.usda.gov</u> and <u>http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/efotg\_locator.aspx</u>

This notice is filed in the eFOTG, Section I, Transmittals folder . A <u>Transmittals Index</u> is available in Section I in PDF format per Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1998.

# **Contact Information**

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Contact Jim Sharkoff at (720)544-2812 or jim.sharkoff@co.usda.gov for questions regarding Erosion Prediction or Conservation Activity Plan content of this notice.

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

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