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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 673

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Re: Transmit Revised Planning Criteria, Standards and Specifications, and Job Sheets, and New Resource Assessment Worksheet and Cover Crop Termination Guidelines

This Technical Guide Notice transmits the following documents to the Colorado electronic Field Office Technical Guide ([eFOTG](#)).

Section III, Resource Planning Criteria

[National and State Resource Concerns and Planning Criteria](#), Revised per NB 190-13-13

[Resource Inventory Assessment Worksheet](#), New

Section IV, Standards and Specifications

[Cover Crop 340 Standard](#), Revised per NB 450-13-7

[Cover Crop 340 Statement of Work](#), Revised per NB 450-13-7

[Cover Crop 340 Job Sheet](#), Revised per NB 450-13-7

[NRCS Cover Crop Termination Guidelines, Non-Irrigated Cropland](#), New per NB 450-13-7

[Upland Wildlife Habitat Management 645 Job Sheet](#), Revised

[Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management 644 Job Sheet](#), Revised

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

Section III, Resource Planning Criteria

Resource Concerns and Planning Criteria, February 2013

Section IV, Standards and Specifications

Cover Crop 340 Standard, September 2011

Cover Crop 340 Statement of Work, November 2006

Cover Crop 340 Job Sheet, November 2012

Upland and Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management 644/645 Job Sheet, July 2009

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 A copy of all superseded standards shall be retained in NRCS field office files or other locations as approved by the State Conservationist, until such standards are no longer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 Where formal contracts (e.g., long-term agreements) are involved, copies of outdated standards are to be retained for the period required by the pertinent NRCS policy governing that specific program.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

Contact Information

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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.

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

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