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FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE

CHANGE NOTICE 98

**Purpose.** To transmit technical documents to be inserted into the local FOTG.

**Effective.** This notice is effective when received.

Section I

**Maps Table of Contents** – This table contents replaces the pervious version.

**Sinkhole Type, Development and Distribution.** – This map replaces the Department of Natural Resources, Florida Geology Survey Karst Areas map, July 1995.

**Wetlands of High Priority to Endangered and Threatened Species in Florida** – This is a new map that should assist in recognizing high priority wetland regions of the state as they pertain to generalized locations of documented T & E Species.

**Documentation for Certified Wetland Determinations** – This list of documentation has been updated to current references.

**Fact Sheets – “Why Florida’s Wetlands Are Important”, and ‘What Farmers Want to Know ... Agricultural Activities in Wetlands Exempt from Section 404 of the Clean Water Act** - These two Florida NRCS Fact Sheets have been revised and shall be sent with wetland determination transmittal letters to clients.

**Florida Wetland Mapping Conventions and Procedures** – This document has been revised to reflect current national policy and also to provide additional clarification and guidance on wetland determination and mapping procedures.

Filing Instructions

Section I

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Maps Table of Contents, Section I – Maps, Page i, November 2003.	Maps Table of Contents, Section I – Maps, Page i, March 2004.
Department of Natural Resources, Florida Geology Survey Karst Areas map, July 1995.	Sinkhole Type, Development and Distribution map, Resource – Page 3, February 2004.

----	Wetlands of High Priority to Endangered & Threatened Species in Florida map, Resource – Page 21, March 2004.
Documentation for Certified Wetland Determinations, Section I (E) (1) (b) 2, page 1, November 2003.	Documentation for Certified Wetland Determinations, Section I (E) (1) (b) 2, page 1, March 2004 behind the one-page Florida Guidance for Performing Certified Wetland Determinations dated November 2003.
Fact Sheets – “Why Florida’s Wetlands Are Important”, and ‘What Farmers Want to Know ... Agricultural Activities in Wetlands Exempt from Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.’”	Fact Sheets – “Why Florida’s Wetlands Are Important”, and ‘What Farmers Want to Know ... Agricultural Activities in Wetlands Exempt from Section 404 of the Clean Water Act’”, February 2004.
Florida Wetland Mapping Conventions and Procedures, January 1998.	Florida Wetland Mapping Conventions and Procedures, Section I (E) (1) (b) 3, Page 1-17, March 2004, behind the two Fact Sheets listed directly above.

## Section II

**Soil Quality** - This new information has been developed for the FOTG to assist conservation planners to consider soil quality during the conservation planning process.

**Wind Velocities and Direction** - This is the first part on several sections that will be revised this fiscal year concerning climatic information in the FOTG.

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#### Section II

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----	Soil Quality, Section II, (A)(13), pages 1-4, March 2004 behind the water quantity and quality interpretation’s tab. Soon we will have new FOTG dividers that will include a Soil Quality section tab. At that time we will move this information into that section.
----	Wind Velocities and Direction, Section II, (B)(6), pages 1-2, March 2004 behind the Climatic Data tab in Section I. When the organizational tabs are revised, Climatic Information will reside in Section II, however, place this information in Section I for now.

## Section IV

**Section IV Table of Contents** – Replaces previous version.

**Alley Cropping (Code 311)** - This conservation practice standard was updated to include new technology and to include concerns associated with the air resource.

**Conservation Cover (Code 327)** - This conservation practice standard was updated to include new technology and to bring it into compliance with the national standard.

**Conservation Cover Conservation Practice Job Sheet (Code FL-327-JS)** - This job and specifications sheet was designed to assist landowners/managers in the implementation of the conservation practice Conservation Cover (Code 327).

**Conservation Crop Rotation (Code 328)** - This conservation practice standard was updated to include new technology and to bring it into compliance with the national standard.

**Feed Management (Code 592)** – This is a new practice standard developed to assist landowners/managers to minimize loss of nutrients through an effective feeding program in an effort to avoid impacts to surface and ground waters.

**Feed Management Conservation Practice Job Sheet (Code FL-592-JS)** – This job and specifications sheet was designed to assist landowners/managers in the implementation of the conservation practice Feed Management (Code 592).

**Field Border (Code 386)** - This conservation practice standard was updated to include new technology and to include concerns associated with the air resource.

**Filter Strip (Code 393)** - This conservation practice standard was updated to include new technology and to bring it into compliance with the national standard.

**Riparian Herbaceous Cover (Code 390)** - This conservation practice standard was updated to include new technology and to bring it into compliance with the national standard.

**Waste Utilization (Code 633)** – This conservation practice standard was updated to include new technology and to include concerns associated with the air resource.

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#### Section IV

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Section IV Table of Contents, Page 1-7, February 2004.	Section IV Table of Contents, Page 1-6, March 2004.
Alley Cropping, Code 311, August 2003.	Alley Cropping, Code 311, March 2004.
Commercial Fishponds, Code 397, August	----

1988.	
Conservation Cover, Code 327, July 1998.	Conservation Cover, Code 327, March 2004.
----	Conservation Cover Conservation Practice Job Sheet, Code FL-327-JS, March 2004 behind conservation practice Conservation Cover, Code 327.
Conservation Crop Rotation, Code 328, November 1998.	Conservation Crop Rotation, Code 328, March 2004.
----	Feed Management, Code 592, March 2004.
----	Feed Management Conservation Practice Job Sheet, Code FL-592-JS, March 2004, behind conservation practice Feed Management, Code 592.
Field Border, Code 386, March 2000.	Field Border, Code 386, March 2004.
Fish Passage, Code 396, March 2001.	----
Fish Raceway or Tank, Code 398, June 1984.	----
Filter Strip, Code 393, May 1999.	Filter Strip, Code 393, March 2004.
Riparian Herbaceous Cover, Code 390, September 2003.	Riparian Herbaceous Cover, Code 390, March 2004.
Waste Utilization, Code 633, August 2002.	Waste Utilization, Code 633, March 2004.



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