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FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE

CHANGE NOTICE 103

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

Effective. This notice is effective when received.

Section I - Maps

Florida – NRCS Status of Soil Surveys, map has been updated to reflect current status of published soil surveys.

Wetland Conservation Provisions of The Food Security Act of 1895, guidance has been updated to reflect current policy concerning when wetland determinations shall be required and all associated actions that field personnel shall follow to protect wetlands.

National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), provides updated guidance and clarification pertaining to NRCS technical and financial assistance to clients and their actions as they affect environmental resources. An Environmental Evaluation (EE) shall be documented on the new FL-CPA-52, Environmental Evaluation Worksheet, which replaces the national NRCS-CPA-52. For more information regarding the development of EE refer to the National Environmental Compliance Handbook and associated Florida supplements.

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Florida – NRCS Status of Soil Surveys, Resource Page 12, February 2003.	Florida – NRCS Status of Soil Surveys, Resource Page 12, February 2005.
Wetland Conservation Provisions of The Food Security Act of 1895, as amended, Section I, (E)(1)(b), December 2002.	Wetland Conservation Provisions of The Food Security Act of 1895, as amended, Section I, (F)(1)(b), March 2005.
National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), Section I, (E)(2)(a), December 2002.	National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), Section I, (F)(2)(a), March 2005.

Section III

Florida's Quality Criteria, Part A – has been updated to include several new national resource concerns, and an expanded description of the official measurement units found in column 4.

Resource Management System Guidance, Part B - has been updated to reflect current essential and facilitating practices by official Florida-NRCS Land Uses.

Florida Conservation Plan/Guidance Document Spreadsheet Instructions, Part F, has been developed to provide guidance to conservation planners who need to document site specific conservation practice effects for conservation systems common to the work area. For an interactive version of the Florida, Site Specific Practice Effect Worksheet (SSPEW), go Section III, (F) in the eFOTG, or contact Steve Boetger, ECS, Gainesville, FL.

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Florida's Quality Criteria, Part A, cover & table of contents, and pages 1-15, August 2004.	Florida's Quality Criteria, Part A, cover & table of contents, pages 1-21, April 2005.
Resource Management System Guidance, Part B, cover & table of contents, and pages 1-20, August 2004.	Resource Management System Guidance, Part B, cover & table of contents, and pages 1-20, March 2005.
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