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FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE

CHANGE NOTICE 108

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

Effective. This notice is effective when received.

The enclosed materials shall be filed in the appropriate section of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) in accordance to these filing instructions. Electronic copies of these materials may be found in the eFOTG located at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/efotg/>.

SECTION I

Maps – Section I Contents – Table of contents for maps section has been revised to reflect new materials.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Florida Ecological Services Field Offices Area of Responsibility – This map has been updated to reflect current information.

Status of Hydrologic Unit Area Map Revision - This map has been updated to reflect current information.

Ecological Communities Climatic Zones of Florida – This new resource map has been developed to assist in the selection of native plant species to achieve restoration objectives that are climatically adapted to broad regions of the state.

Food Security Act Templates for Letter Correspondence – New template letters are being provided for HEL Determination (Letter 1), Wetland Determination (Letter 2), HEL & Wetland Determination (Letter 3), and Wetland Violation (Letter 4).

Filing Instructions

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Maps – Section 1 Contents Page i, March 2004.	Maps – Section 1 Contents Page i, December 2005 directly behind the Maps divider tab.
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Florida Ecological Services Field Offices Area of Responsibility, Federal, Page 4, February 2003.	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Florida Ecological Services Field Offices Area of Responsibility, Federal, Page 4, December 2005, in order of map contents page.

Status of Hydrologic Unit Area Map Revision, Resource, Page 14, September 2003.	Status of Hydrologic Unit Area Map Revision, Resource, Page 14, December 2005, in order of map contents page.
----	Ecological Communities Climatic Zones of Florida, Resource, Page 24, December 2005, in order of map contents page.
Food Security Act Templates for Letter Correspondence, Letters, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6, behind NRCS – CPA – 026E instructions.	Food Security Act Templates for Letter Correspondence, Letters, 1, 2, 3, & 4, behind NRCS – CPA – 026E instructions.

SECTION III

Table of Contents – Provided is a revised over-all table of contents for Section III.

Template for Revising Conservation System Guides & Conservation Systems – This template has been revised for the 2006 Farm Bill program year and should be used to request changes or additions to Conservation System Guides and/or Conservation Systems. The only changes made on this sheet are found on page 7. The “2005” year was removed and the words “Agricultural lands” have been changed to “Non-Federal lands” for progress goals 1 & 2.

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Table of Contents for over-all Section III binder, no date.	Table of Contents for over-all Section III binder, December 2005.
Template for Revising Conservation System Guides & Conservation Systems, Exhibit 1, Page 1-7, August 2005.	Template for Revising Conservation System Guides & Conservation Systems, Exhibit 1, Page 1-7, December 2005, behind page 7 of Section III, Part D.

SECTION IV

Section IV Table of Contents – Table of contents for Section IV is provided which includes reference to new materials associated with this change notice.

Brush Management, Code 314 – This conservation standard has been revised to reflect new technology and guidance.

Brush Management Job Sheet, FL-314M-JS – This conservation standard job sheet provides a template for designing and specifying site specific requirements for the application of mechanical brush management for clients. This job sheet is located on the eFOTG and is best prepared by conservation planners in its electronic format and provided to clients in hardcopy. Following completion or installation treatment use the bottom of page 3 as check-out verification that the practice has been installed according to NRCS standards and specifications.

Irrigation Water Management, Code 449 – This conservation standard has been revised to reflect new technology and guidance.

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Section IV Table of Contents, August 2005	Section IV Table of Contents, October 2005
Brush Management, Code 314, Pages 1- 9, August 1988, and Supplement, October 1988.	Brush Management, Code 314, Pages 1- 5, December 2005, in accordance to the table of contents page.
----	Brush Management Job Sheet, FL-314M-JS, December 2005 directly behind the practice standard Brush Management, Code 314.
Irrigation Water Management, Code 449, Pages, 1-4, March 2000.	Irrigation Water Management, Code 449, Pages, 1-5, December 2005, in accordance to the table of contents page.

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