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FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE

CHANGE NOTICE 130

Purpose: To transmit recent changes made to the electronic Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG).

Effective: This notice is effective when received.

The following materials have been added or amended within the eFOTG. In an effort to reduce paperwork, streamline work activities, and ensure field staff, clients and partner organizations have access to the latest NRCS technical materials, the official NRCS FOTG will be maintained in the eFOTG only. The eFOTG (now to be referred to as the FOTG) can be accessed at the following website <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/efotg/>. Hardcopies of frequently used conservation practice standards may be copied into ring-binders or downloaded into or electronic “thunderbooks” in an effort to increase your efficiency in use of FOTG materials.

Although the FOTG (i.e, eFOTG) alerts users when new materials are added, this official electronic FOTG Change Notice is provided to NRCS-Florida periodically to outline in a comprehensive manner all changes that have occurred to the FOTG since the previous Notice.

Section I

Maps – Section Contents: – The document has been revised to reflect current information.

Status of Soil Surveys, Florida-NRCS – This map has been revised to reflect current information.

Suwannee River Area, EQIP 2009 – This is a new map outlines the strategic area where conservation benefits for Suwannee River protection can be attained via EQIP – 2009.

Ichetucknee River Area, EQIP 2009 - This is a new map outlines the strategic area where conservation benefits for Ichetucknee River protection can be attained via EQIP – 2009.

Jackson Blue Spring Area, EQIP 2009 - This is a new map outlines the strategic area where conservation benefits for Jackson Blue Spring protection can be attained via EQIP – 2009.

SECTION I

Filing Instructions

(For those who desire to maintain a hardcopy FOTG)

<u>Archive</u>	<u>Insert</u>
Maps – Section Contents, page i, September	Maps – Section Contents, page i, April 2009.

2008.	
Status of Soil Surveys, Florida-NRCS, Resource – page 12, February 2005	Status of Soil Surveys, Florida-NRCS, Resource – page 12, April 2009
----	Suwannee River Area, EQIP 2009, Resource – 28, April 2009
----	Ichetucknee River Area, EQIP 2009, Resource – 29, April 2009
----	Jackson Blue Spring Area, EQIP 2009, Resource – 30, April 2009

Section II

Soils Information for Electronic Field Office Technical Guide – This information provides additional guidance and associated links for use of SSURGO, Soil Data Mart and Web Soil Survey use.

Source Data for Official Soil Survey – New general guidance for use of NRCS soil data and published soil survey information.

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<u>Archive</u>	<u>Insert</u>
-----	Soils Information for Electronic Field Office Technical Guide, Page 1-3, November, 2008
-----	Source Data for Official Soil Survey, pages 1-2, November 2008

Section III

Resource Management Systems & Quality Criteria, Section III – Table of Contents – This table of contents has been revised to include new materials.

CNMP Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (102) No. – This new national guidance establishes the minimum technical criteria for the development of CNMPs when providing financial assistance funds from EQIP for this conservation plan activity (CAP).

Forest Management Plan Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (106) No. - This new national guidance establishes the minimum technical criteria for the development of forest management plans when providing financial assistance funds from EQIP for this conservation plan activity (CAP).

Grazing Management Plan Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (110) No. - This new national guidance establishes the minimum technical criteria for the development of grazing

management plans when providing financial assistance funds from EQIP for this conservation plan activity (CAP).

Integrated Pest Management Plan Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (114) No. -
 This new national guidance establishes the minimum technical criteria for the development of integrated pest management plans when providing financial assistance funds from EQIP for this conservation plan activity (CAP).

Irrigation Water Management Plan Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (118) No. -
 This new national guidance establishes the minimum technical criteria for the development of irrigation water management plans when providing financial assistance funds from EQIP for this conservation plan activity (CAP).

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RMS & Quality Criteria Section III, Table of Contents, page 1, December 2005	RMS & Quality Criteria Section III, Table of Contents, page 1, December 2009
----	CNMP Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (102) No., page 1, April 2009
----	Forest Management Plan Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (106) No., pages 1-5, April 2009
----	Grazing Management Plan Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (110) No., pages 1-5, April 2009
----	Integrated Pest Management Plan Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (114) No., pages 1-6, April 2009
----	Irrigation Water Management Plan Criteria, Conservation Activity Plan Code (118) No., pages 1-5, April 2009

Section IV

Fence (Code 382) – This conservation practice standard has been revised and should be used in association with the appropriate construction specification listed below.

- Construction Specification – Bared Wire Fence**
- Construction Specification – Electric Fence**
- Construction Specification – High-Tensile Smooth Wire Fence**
- Construction Specification – Wooden Board Fence**
- Construction Specification – Woven Wire Fence**
- Specification Table, Fence 382**
- Guidance Photos**

Producer Self-Certification Guide Sheet, Fence 382 & Form FL-ECS-382 – This new guidance and associated new form FL-ECS-382 is designed to assist with practice evaluation and certification.

Supplement to Conservation Practice Standard, Nutrient Mgt., Code 590, April 2009 - The supplement to this practice standard was prepared to assist conservation planners when working with producers wishing to engage in precision agriculture.

Supplement to Conservation Practice Standard, Pest Mgt., Code 595, April 2009 - The supplement to this practice standard was prepared to assist conservation planners when working with producers wishing to engage in precision agriculture.

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Section IV Table of Contents , pages 1-7, September 2008	Section IV Table of Contents , pages 1-7, April 2009
Fence, Code 382, June 1999	Fence, Code 382, April 2009 and associated construction specifications, tables and guidance photos.
----	Supplement to Conservation Practice Standard, Nutrient Management, Code 590, April 2009
----	Supplement to Conservation Practice Standard, Pest Management, Code 595, April 2009

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