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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE IL-100

This Notice transmits two interim standards to support practices authorized by CFSA-IL.

1. Decommissioning Abandoned Water Wells, IL-998. This standard applies to water wells that have been abandoned and sealing is necessary for public safety and health. If an NRCS employee certifies this practice installation on AD-862, Block I, the following statement should be added:

"The landowner/operator has documented that this practice was installed in compliance with the Illinois Water Well Construction Code, Section 920.120."

See Documentation of Construction for acceptable documentation. Landowner/operator supplied documentation shall be placed in the case file.

It is the responsibility of the landowner to contact the Illinois Department of Health and to develop an acceptable plan for decommissioning any well, or to employ a licensed well driller to perform the work.

2. Constructed Wetlands for the Secondary Treatment of Agricultural Waste, IL-999. This standard gives criteria based on National Bulletin 210-1-17, dated August, 1991.

In addition, enclosed find:

1. Section 920.120 of the Illinois Water Well Construction Code, as ammended in 1990.
2. Forms provided by the Illinois Department of Public Health and used by individuals or licensed well drillers when sealing wells.
3. Ammendments to Section 920.120 proposed by the Illinois Legislature, effective in January, 1995.
4. A brochure from the Illinois Department of Public Health describing the program for sealing wells.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS

File the attached Interim Standards IL-998 and IL-999 in Section IV of the Technical Guide, under Interim Standards and Specifications. Make the following pen and ink addition to the index, Section IV:

<u>Interim Standard Name</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Standard Date</u>
Decommissioning Abandoned Water Wells	IL-998	2/95
Constructed Wetlands for the Secondary Treatment of Agricultural Wastes.	IL-999	2/95

File the information on sealing wells from the Department of Public Health in Section I, STATE/LOCAL LAWS, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS.



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Enclosures

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