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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE IL-130

Purpose: To transmit the following:

1. **Revised Woodland Direct Seeding standard (652) dated July 2000**
2. **Bulletin 810 "Average Crop, Pasture, and Forestry Productivity Ratings for Illinois Soils"**
3. **Bulletin 811 "Optimum Crop Productivity Rating for Illinois Soils"**
4. **Soybean Management and The Land, A Best Management Practices Handbook for Growers and Soybean Management**
5. **Soybean Management and The Land Workbook**
6. **Illinois Kudzu Alert!! information sheet**
7. **Revised Section I-A Reference List Pages 1-3**

Background:

Bulletins 810 and 811 are two new bulletins which updates the Soil Productivity in Illinois Circular 1156 released in 1978. The new bulletins include more extensive information on pasture and timber and update the yields.

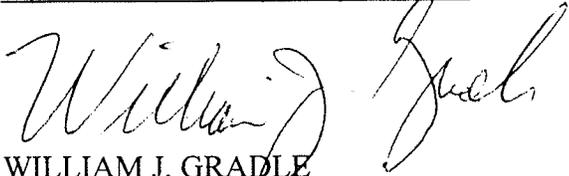
Soybean Management and The Land, A Best Management Practices Handbook for Growers and Soybean Management is a best management handbook for soybean growers. The handbook is published by the American Soybean Association. Accompanying the handbook is a workbook designed to assist growers in conducting farm operation assessments. The handbook and workbook are good references for farmers.

Filing Instructions:

- **Remove** from Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) Woodland Direct Seeding standard (652) dated June 1992 and **replace** with Woodland Direct Seeding dated July 2000.
- **Remove** the document "Soil Productivity in Illinois (Circular 1156) from Section I-A References Soil Section of the Field Office Technical Reference file and **replace** it with Bulletin 810 ("Average Crop, Pasture, and Forestry Productivity Ratings") and Bulletin 811 ("Optimum Crop Productivity Rating for Illinois Soils").
- **File** the Soybean Management handbook and the workbook in Section I-A References in the Agronomy Section of the Field Office Technical Reference file.
- **File** the Illinois - Kudzu Alert!! information sheet in the recently distributed Invasive Species reference folder which was filed in Section I-A References of the Technical Reference File.
- In the FOTG, **remove** Section I-A References pages 1-3 and **replace** with Section I-A References pages 1-3 (dated 1st page July 1999 and pages 2 and 3 dated November 2000).

Note: The Section IV Index (dated September 2000 that you already have) has been updated to show the July 2000 Woodland Direct Seeding; Woodland Direct Seeding is posted at :

<http://www.il.nrcs.usda.gov/fotg/index.html>



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