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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE IL-227

Purpose: To inform employees of revisions to the Field Office Technical Guide for selected conservation practice standards, statements of work and practice documentation requirements.

The FOTG can be accessed through the Illinois home page by clicking on "FOTG" or at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/efotg/>.

Location
Section IV.

Summary of Changes

A. Index of Conservation Practices

Index of Conservation Practices – Alphabetical
Index of Conservation Practices - Numerical

Updated Index of Conservation Practices dated March, 2010 (both the alphabetical and numerical) to reflect Responsible Discipline changes for several Standard and Specifications.

B. Conservation Practices

March 2010

Drainage Water Management (554)
Standard

Updated to reflect new national standard. Added sections about laws & regulations, utilities & permits. Added definitions of key terms. Significant details added to Plans & Specifications and O&M sections.

Drainage Water Management (554)
Statement of Work

Updated to match national format for S.O.W. Provided clarification that implementation of 554 is to be done under CPS 587 – Structure for Water Control.

Subsurface Drain (606)
Standard and Specifications

Added criteria to match CPS 620 – Underground Outlet. Updated construction specs; added O&M sheet.

Subsurface Drain (606)
Statement of Work

Added detailed information from IL practice documentation requirements for 620.

Underground Outlet (620)
Standard and Specifications

Updated to reflect new national standard. Updated construction specs; added O&M sheet.

Underground Outlet (620)
Statement of Work

Added detailed information from IL practice documentation requirements for 620.

Watering Facility (614)
Standard and Specifications

Updated to reflect new national standard.

Watering Facility (614)
Statement of Work

Added detailed information from IL practice documentation requirements for 614.

Seasonal High Tunnel System for Crops (798)
Standard

*Interim standard changed per National Bulletin 190.10.12.
Requirement for removal of cover where snow loads may
damage the structure has been modified to allow the cover to
remain if the structure can withstand expected loads.*

Documentation and Certification (general list)

*CPS 554 – Drainage Water Management,
CPS 620 – Underground Outlet,
CPS 327 – Conservation Cover,
CPS 340 – Cover Crop,
CPS 603 – Herbaceous Wind Barriers,
CPS 610 – Salinity and Sodic Soil Management,
CPS 472 – Access Control; and
CPS 614 – Watering Facility*

*All of the above listed practices are removed from the
documentation and certification general list and any
associated linked documents. Documentation requirements
for all practices included in TG Notice 227 shall follow the
appropriate Statement of Work.*

Technical Guide Notice 227 is filed under Section I, "FOTG transmittals" at the eFOTG site.


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Attachments

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