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TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE IL-228

Purpose: To distribute a RUSLE 2 database update file and instructions and to inform employees of the revisions and additions to the Field Office Technical Guide.

Background: Periodically, RUSLE 2 databases need to be updated with new vegetation, operation, and other records. RUSLE 2 update files are prepared nationally and released to RUSLE 2 users in order to update their RUSLE 2 databases with the latest data. Technical Guide Notice 228 distributes the latest RUSLE 2 database file and instructions for importing into the county specific RUSLE 2 databases.

Action: Save the "NRCS_Moses_updates_beginning 81600 to 040110.gdb" into the "C:\Program Files\USDA\Rusle2\Import" folder on any office computer that has RUSLE 2. Launch RUSLE 2. At the top of the menu bar left click on "database". A pull down menu will appear and select "Import RUSLE 2 database..." The files in the "Import" folder will be displayed. Select the "NRCS_Moses_updates_beginning 81600 to 040110.gdb" file. Then press "Open". A new window will pop up. Place the cursor in the upper most box at the left and single left click. Then press "Import". Close RUSLE 2 when the import is completed. The process only needs to be performed once because the RUSLE 2 database resides on the Service Center shared drive.

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 III.

Summary of Changes

F. <u>Conservation Activity Plans Technical Criteria</u>	<u>April 2010</u>
Transition to Organic Farming Activity	<i>Added Transition to Organic Farming Activity Criteria (dated March 2010).</i>
Forest Management Activity	<i>Replaces Prescribed Forestry Standard and Specification (409) effective October 1, 2009.</i>

Section IV.

A. Index of Conservation Practices

Index of Conservation Practices
(Alphabetical)
Index of Conservation Practices
(Numerical)

Updated Index of Conservation Practices dated April, 2010 (both the alphabetical and numerical) to remove Prescribed Forestry Standard and Specification (409) and to add Monitoring and Evaluation Interim Standard and Specification (799).

B. Conservation Practices

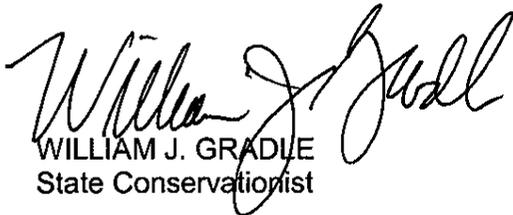
Prescribed Forestry Standard and
Specification (409)

Removed Prescribed Forestry Standard and Specification (409). Rescission ended effective October 1, 2009 and replaced by Forest Management Plan (Code 106).

Monitoring and Evaluation Interim
Standard and Specification (799)

Added Monitoring and Evaluation Interim Standard and Specification (799) Interim.

Technical Guide Notice 228 is filed under Section I, "FOTG transmittals" at the eFOTG site.



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Attachments

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